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SOCIAL CONNECTIONS

TRAINERS FOR E-SOCIAL WORK

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As clearly shown during the peak of the COVID-19 pandemic, online technologies can be exploited to provide social support and a sense of belonging to vulnerable and housebound groups.

The specific goal of the Social Connections project will be to develop digital pedagogical competences of C-VET educators in the social sector, enabling them to teach to their students how to develop and use high quality digital content for social inclusion of clients which are housebound because of disability, illness, or COVID-19 related restrictions.

What is the impact of Social Connections?

- The target groups (social work trainers and social work practitioners) will perceive themselves as 'digitally ready' for e-social work and practices, increasing their ability to access, adapt and create new social and educational intervention methods using ICTs and to deliver technology-mediated social work and community work practices.
- The project will strengthen the links between VET organizations and NGOs and support the incorporation of e-social work skills in VET curricula.
- It will support the mainstreaming of ICT opportunities and tools to a wide range of social practitioners and trainers, while also contributing to contrast the exclusion and isolation of vulnerable housebound persons, thus, making them feel more engaged and with an increased sense of wellbeing.

Social Connections main results

- Curriculum to teach e-social work
- A set of tools and practices for e-social work
- MOOCs for C-VET in digital social work