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Project: Enabling the 2030 Agenda through education for sustainable development 2nd transnational project meeting, Monday 27th JUNE 2022

The 2nd transnational project meeting of the project Enabling the 2030 Agenda through education for sustainable development (www.tenforsustainability.eu/AGENDA2030.html) has been held on Monday 27th June 2022 in Lund (Sweden), with participants from the following organizations: Ten For Sustainability (Project Applicant and Coordinator, Italy), Neotalentway (Spain), Interfusion Services Limited (Cyprus), Vardakeios School of indigent children (Greece), Mobilizing Expertise Ab (Sweden) acting as hosting partner organization for this 2nd meeting. The project is co-financed by the Erasmus+ program of the European Union.

The project stems from the perspective of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and especially of its Sustainable Development Goal n° 4, targeting inclusive and equitable quality education and lifelong learning opportunities for all, as pivotal in building sustainable, inclusive and resilient societies.

The exchange of good practice was based, among others, on the following:

- -the cognitive learning objectives of SDG 4 as an objective in itself and as enabler of all other SDGs, interactive session conducted by the project hosting organization, with presentations by all the participants on the following:
- 1. the important role of education and lifelong learning opportunities for all as main drivers of sustainable development, for improving people's lives and in achieving the SDGs.
- 2. the important role of culture in achieving sustainability.
- 3. how education can help create a more sustainable, equitable and peaceful world.
- 4. Communicating Sustainable Development: "Non-Commercial Advertising & Sustainability".

One possible synthesis from the meeting: education is the foundation of a society, the engine that guides and enables society to move in one direction or another. Therefore, if society is to be guided towards sustainable development, education has a crucial role to play, as recognised by Koïchiro Matsuura, Director-General of UNESCO (1999-2009), who argued that education, in whatever form, is one of the most powerful tools we have to induce the changes needed to achieve sustainable development.

For this tool to be most effective, it is important to educate people as early as possible, as well as to promote education for sustainable development throughout life, in order to achieve the personal and social transformation needed to change the direction of society, the main objective of UNESCO's Education for Sustainable Development. Within this framework, the Partners have shared the perspective of the new Spanish education law having set the target that by 2024 all students will be in the condition to have to learn the skills needed to promote sustainable development while teachers will have received specific training related to the 2030 Agenda.

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FOLLOWING pictures taken during the meeting in Lund







