



# BRIDGE 47 – BUILDING GLOBAL CITIZENSHIP

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# Basic information

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## *Galvanising Global Citizenship – Bridge to Sustainable Development*

- **Funded by European Commission**
- **Duration: Oct 2017 – Sep 2020**
- **Kehys as lead applicant**
- **16 partners in 13 European countries and two global networks**
- **21 staff**



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# Overall goal....

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*Mobilize global civil society to contribute effectively to global justice and eradication of poverty through global citizenship*

- Global citizenship education supports the development of a deep and comprehensive understanding of the interdependent nature of the world and its citizens, the basis on which informed actions, sustainable consumption and coherent policies for a more equal world can be built.
- Global citizenship education provides a framework which if we use it, can empower us to transform ourselves and the world.



# ....and how to get there

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- Rethink education and learning
- Working closely with partners engaged in the informal and non-formal education and life-long learning with a view to promoting transformative change in society
- Involve new stakeholders and ensure that GCE is fully recognized as an essential tool also among policy makers
- Building the capacity of civil society to find new partners and innovative ways of working
- Providing space to establish partnerships as well as for exchange, dissemination of best practices, and coordination of joint advocacy efforts



# Bridge 47 Network

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*A vibrant global coalition in support of global citizenship is set up with the increased capacity of European global citizenship education CSOs to network with global partners*

- Agenda 2030 recognizes that parallel efforts are needed to ensure that all lifelong learners, of different ages and backgrounds, acquire the knowledge and skills to promote sustainable development as outlined in detail by SDG 4.7.
- Build bridges between different fields of value-based education and educators
- Create space and tools (online resources, global events) to support the network and make it grow



# Advocacy

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*The essential role of GCE in delivering the SDGs is reflected in UN, European and national policies or implementation plans.*

- Improve the representation of GCE in UN, European and national policies in four Policy Areas – i. International Development, ii. Education, iii. Social Inclusion and iv. Agenda 2030/SDGs.
- Develop GCE materials, advocacy messages and best practices
- Organize advocacy events



# Partnerships

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*Global Citizenship Education is understood and practiced in partnerships between CSOs and researchers, policy makers, private sector, and military/police sectors.*

- The role of partnerships in the delivery of SDGs
- Knowledge exchange partnerships, Advocacy partnerships, Exploratory partnerships
- Developing, testing and reviewing partnerships
- Partnership framework (models and guidelines)





# Innovation and Capacity

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*Opportunities for European CSOs to develop and use new and innovative approaches for global citizenship education are significantly increased*

- Sub-granting mechanism for developing best practices of small CSOs
- Transformative Learner's Journey – capacity development programs
- Train the Trainer -seminars
- Creating new and innovative ways of working
- Participating in events - promoting GCE in new areas and finding the potential in people



# Engage with us

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