

English as a Lingua Franca practices for inclusive multilingual classrooms (ENRICH)

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The significance of ENRICH

Multilingualism:

Promoting multilingualism is necessary in terms of enhancing **social cohesion**, **intercultural dialogue** and citizens' **mobility**, **employability** and **lifelong language learning**.

English as a Lingua Franca (ELF):

ELF is an inherently **multilingual** means of English-medium communication among people from **different linguacultural backgrounds** and a sine qua non for **professional success** and **social prosperity**.

Rethinking English language teaching and learning:

The widespread use of ELF worldwide has resulted in the '**de-foreignization**' and '**de-nativatization**' of English. However, English is still predominantly taught as a '**property**' of **native speakers**, rather than as a mutually '**shared**' and '**owned**' language, which prevents learners, including learners from migrant backgrounds, from reaching their full potential as efficient users of English.

The ENRICH Project

A '**catalyst**' for change in English language teaching and learning in multilingual environments in Europe and beyond!

The aims of ENRICH

The project puts high priority on the promotion of **teacher competences** which are crucial for responding to and building upon the diversity found in today's **multilingual classrooms** across Europe. It aims at developing a **high-quality Continuous Professional Development (CPD) infrastructure** which will empower English language teachers (ELTs) to **integrate** the current role of **English as a Lingua Franca** in multilingual classrooms.

The ENRICH CPD infrastructure

- ~ A systematic needs analysis (ELTs; young and adolescent learners, including migrants)
- ~ A blended-learning CPD course for ELTs
- ~ A Handbook with good practices
- ~ A modern and user-friendly online environment
- ~ Evaluation & quality assurance
- ~ Dissemination & exploitation

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The ENRICH CPD objectives

- E** **ELF:** Promotion of an awareness of language use and of the role of ELF and multilingualism nowadays
- N** **Networking:** Promotion of a culture of collaboration and teamwork
- R** **Refugees & other migrants:** Promotion of skills for integrating ELF in classes including this group of learners as well
- I** **Innovative language teaching:** Promotion of skills for employing translanguaging, CLIL, TBLT, ICT in the English classroom
- C** **Culture:** Promotion of the social and pedagogical value of the European Cultural Heritage
- H** **High-quality CPD:** Blended learning, reflection, critical thinking, mentoring



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