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## What is DECODE?

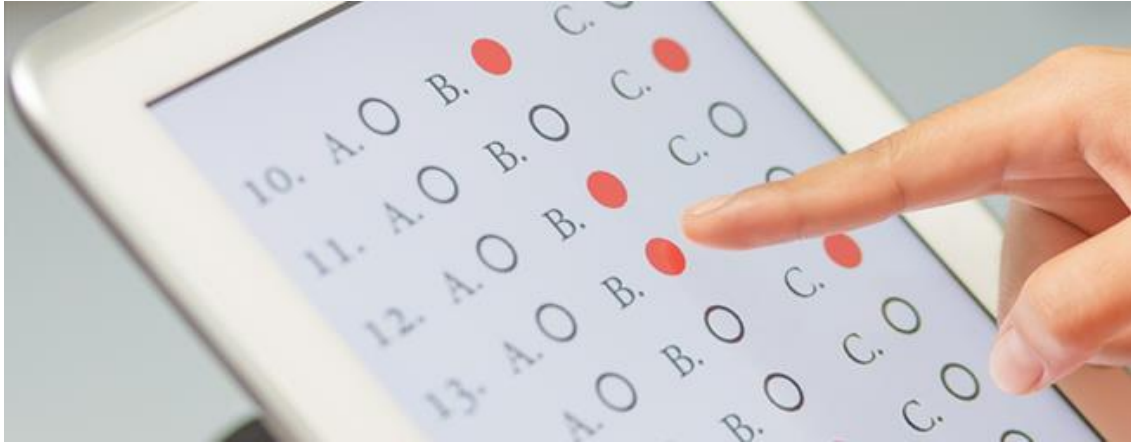
**DECODE (Develop Competences in Digital Era)** is an Erasmus+ funded project which explores the digital skills needed by education professionals as technology becomes more commonplace in the classroom.



The **project's main objective** is to contribute to the improvement of schools' digitisation processes. As well as several research reports, the project will develop a number of training resources for education professionals.

The **DECODE Consortium** is composed of seven partners from five European countries: Italy, Finland, Romania, Spain, and the United Kingdom.

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### The DECODE project comparative survey: Key characteristics

The **DECODE project comparative survey** discovered the experiences, skills and training needs of teachers around the use of digital technologies by detecting areas for improvement and development prospects. The survey focused on the digital innovation trends that educational agencies are hoping to move towards.

All of the survey questions surrounded these four main issues:

- How do daily teaching practices relate to the technological equipment provided by the school?
- How effective are the use of technologies and personal resources in daily teaching practices?
- What is the state of the experience and skills most widely used today among our teachers?
- What are the most relevant and effective classroom exercises and tools used?

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### Innovative Tool: Google Classroom

Many teachers want a teaching tool to be able to **simplify classroom activities and allow for the exchange of material between teachers and students.**

*Google Classroom* was designed to make the student learning process easier and allows teachers to:

- Create courses in an easy and simple way
- Facilitate the distribution of educational material
- Assign and evaluate online tasks
- Contact students both within and outside the classroom

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*Ongoing Activities: web seminar*

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### Teacher Digital Competence

**Digital technologies** have become a key element in today's society, and are increasingly present in the educational system, forming part of the curricular content in all its stages. In order to effectively integrate it into education, it is necessary to approach digital technologies from a methodological point of view.

Considering this growing need, **training can provide teachers the tools and strategies for applying Learning and Knowledge Technologies (LKTs) in their daily practice** and for enhancing students' digital abilities so that they are able to use LKTs.

Therefore, **the DECODE project** aims to create and pilot an online seminar designed to train in-service teachers in the integration of digital technologies in their professional practice. The online course is currently taking place where participants collaboratively design new learning situations which better incorporate ICT into the classroom to help their students acquire digital skills.

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## Upcoming Events

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### Final conference



The **DECODE final conference** will take place at **Link Campus University in Rome**, in May 2019.

During the final conference, the project's overall development will be discussed and all developed learning resources will be disseminated. Particular emphasis will be given to the outcomes of IO5 *"Testing training model for improving teachers' competence for a digital era"* and the DECODE *Final Guidelines Methodology Guide for Teachers* (IO6).

## Past Events

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### Multiplier event



The **third DECODE Multiplier Event** took place in October 2018 at Cosmo Caixa, Barcelona, organised by the **Open University of Catalonia**.

The event brought together members of the DECODE consortium, as well as trainers and education professionals to investigate the most important competencies for a “digital teacher”, identify the most relevant findings from each national survey and prepare the comparative report “*Practices, skills and training needs of digital teachers*”.

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