

NEWSLETTER #3

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Progress in NIK project**About the project**

Formally, the NIK project started in the end of 2017, with a kick-off meeting in Alkmaar (NL) in January 2018. Now, as the project is almost half-way, it is time for an update.

For those of you who don't know the NIK project yet, first a short introduction of the project: NIK wants to support the integration of newcomers in our schools and in that integration process, food plays an important role. Food unites and cooking together in one kitchen creates friendship and mutual understanding.

Where are we now?

Since the previous newsletter, all partners have been busy with dissemination in their own countries. If you are interested in this, we recommend you to have a look at our website www.newcomerskitchen.eu.

Here you will find the latest news about presentations, cooking events, recipes, the game, etc. Stay tuned and subscribe to the site: Go to the bottom of the News page. Click on the blue button. Register with your email address and confirm via an e-mail you will receive. That's all! Apart from the website, NIK has also a YouTube channel. The URL is:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCrnbv3QAEvsdeVAeJIXcXjQ> or you can search for "Newcomers in the kitchen". Look for the NIK-logo.

In addition, you can register. Just click on the button "Subscribe". Very easy! You will find some videos about cooking events.

Game development

An important part of our project is the development of a game, which can be played by the students. Our partners, Just Game It (NL) and Tartu Kunstikool (EST), have made some important steps. The first step was to come-up with different art styles. Out of nine examples, one has been chosen. This style will be attractive for young players and it is also possible to realize. Just Game It has developed the structure of the game and Tartu Kunstikool is now busy with drawing thousands of images: for the pilot over 1.000 and in total 4.500! Students from Tartu play an important role in it and are occupied with this part of the game. During our meeting in May in Italy, all participants will be able to try-out the pilot with recipes from Germany and Finland. According to the planning, the complete game will be available for students, shortly after the summer holiday, with recipes from the other partner countries and their newcomer countries.

Project meeting in Portogruaro

The next project meeting takes place in Portogruaro in Italy. Portogruaro is a city near Venice. The meeting will be organized by the Italian partner Associazione 2050. We realize this meeting is the beginning of the last year of the project. This last year will be our “harvesting” year. The pilot game will be tried out and together we work on the completion of the game. Clusius College (NL) will give a report from their cooking event, which will take place in April. Bildungsmarkt (DE) will present their scenario for the other cooking events and their plans for the final project meeting in Berlin in 2020. During the meeting in Portogruaro, we also will talk about other developments. Many useful documents have been produced, including the interim report. Dissemination never stops. Partners realize the consequences of the new European legislation on privacy and have taken measures.

Plans for the last year

Main milestones are:

- Completion and try-out of the game with the students,
- National cooking events in the schools, with students, newcomers, teachers, parents, etc.
- Multiplier events for dissemination of the project results. Target group should be organizations, schools, local/regional governments, and all who are involved in integration of newcomers.

What to do with this Newsletter?

In case you represent an organization, which is interested in the results of NIK, follow the news on the NIK website or contact the NIK partner in your country.

This Newsletter is written in English. In case you think it is better to translate it in your own language, please do so.

Moreover we request you to spread it around as much as possible, for example via e-mail, social media or your website. The more people know about our project, the better it is.