7-day Course in SPAIN

"Education System and Schools in Spain"

Madrid (Spain)

TARGET AUDIENCE - Who is this course for?

This course is designed for **teachers, head teachers, principals and other school staff** who would like to learn about the Spanish education system within the context of Spanish culture. Although the pedagogic encounters with schools are focused on **Primary**, **Secondary** and **Vocational** levels, other educational sectors may also benefit from the general approach of this course.

Language of communication: **English**

Please note that this course should be included as a 'training course' in your Erasmus+ project.

COURSE DESCRIPTION

Our **7-Day Course** is for those who want to learn about Spanish education and culture through a combination of pedagogic encounters with schools, seminars, field projects "Contexts4Content", and workshops.

English Matters will select educational institutions related to Primary, Secondary and Vocational school levels. Participants will learn about educational organisation and management of learning and will have the opportunity to share their experience and ideas with colleagues from a variety of schools around Europe. This will support a European Dimension in Education and everyone participating in this experience will receive maximum benefit from it.

The course offers several **key activities**:

1. Pedagogic encounters with schools to learn about educational organisation and management of learning.
2. Seminars and workshops to explore specific aspects of the education system and culture of Spain.
3. Professional and cultural discussion resulting in a concluding presentation of learning.
4. Field projects "Contexts4Content" to explore places of natural, historical, and cultural significance, as a basis for the development of teaching materials to assist their students in meeting their learning goals and be aware of the socio-cultural richness of Europe.

Objectives:

- Become familiar with relevant aspects of the Spanish education system.
- Learn about examples of teaching practices in schools in Spain.
- Participate in seminars and workshops related to educational and cultural aspects of Spanish society.
- Participate in field projects "Contexts4Content" to places of natural, historical, and cultural significance, to support the development of teaching resources.
- Promote a European Dimension in education among participants and schools.

This **7-Day Course in Spain** will allow you to experience the authenticity of the country and its people from the very moment you step foot in the airport.

Allowing yourself to spend enriching days in full contact with Spanish society and culture and combining this with pedagogic encounters with schools, will bring you an in-depth understanding of the Spanish education system.

The way in which students are educated can be a window to a deeper vision of a society. This can also lead to reflection on why a society educates its people in a certain way and may encourage you to see your own education system from a refreshed perspective.

This combination of elements will help build a holistic vision of education and culture in Spain from several enriching perspectives.

A NOTE ON THE SPANISH EDUCATION SYSTEM

The elegance, passion and history present in the art, literature, architecture, and people of Spain filters through all levels of their culture, including the **Spanish education system.** Spain is always creating, adapting, and looking for inspiration to produce a deep curriculum balancing content, humanity, and variety. The OECD reports highlight the good atmosphere of cordiality in Spanish schools. Spanish students' sense of belonging is one of the highest among PISA-participating countries. The closeness and friendly relationship between teachers and students, and the commendable work of teachers are key to improving academic results. Vocational Training offers enormous quality with excellent plans increasingly oriented to the needs of the present and future labour market. Many Primary and Secondary schools accredit also quality bilingual teaching. Spain is also one of the preferred destinations for foreign students.

LOCATION OF THE COURSE: Madrid (SPAIN)

Madrid, SPAIN, is the second largest city in the European Union and has some of the most visited museums in the world: the Prado Museum, the Reina Sofía National Art Centre, and the Thyssen-Bornemisza National Museum form a wonderful triangle of universal art. The *Barrio de las Letras* (Writers' Quarter) housed the most famous writers of the Spanish Golden Age (Cervantes, Lope de Vega, Quevedo, Góngora…). In the 20th Century, the *Residencia de Estudiantes* brought together and cemented the friendship of the poet Federico García Lorca, the painter Salvador Dalí and the filmmaker Luis Buñuel.

DURATION OF THE COURSE

7-day course: **40 hours.**

Our **7-day course**, starting on Sunday and finishing on Saturday, is a very efficient way to implement your mobility by integrating your learning while saving time and expenses. The **40 hours** duration of the course is applied on average considering all training days of the course, for the implementation of the objectives and lessons, in connection with the "Quality standards for courses under Erasmus+ KA1".

CERTIFICATION AWARDED

Certification of learning outcomes in connection with the “Quality standards for courses under Erasmus+ KA1”: Europass and Certificate of Attendance which include the name of the participant, description of the course and its learning outcomes, dates, venues, the name of the host organisation and course director.

DATES

7-day Course in Spain

Location: **Madrid (Spain)**
Language of communication: **English**
Duration (days): **7 training days in Spain**

Dates in 2027
09 – 15 May Madrid · 7 training days
14 -20 November Madrid · 7 training days

Note: Dates may be subject to amendment according to school calendar year of the country visited. This change, if necessary, will be informed to participant before the course confirmation.

STRUCTURE of the course

The table below shows the display of our **7-day Course**:

Course: **"Education System and Schools in Spain"**
7-day Course in Spain (from Sunday to Saturday)
Sunday Registration. Fundamentals: principles, structure, framework Tools for reflection on learning & Professional Development Field learning "Contexts4Content" approach European Dimension Framework for pedagogic encounters with schools. **Monday** Education System in Spain. Field Learning "Contexts4Content". **Tuesday** Educational Visit to School I: Educational organisation & management of learning. Feedback on educational visit to school. **Wednesday** Educational Visit to School II: Educational organisation & management of learning. Field Learning "Contexts4Content". **Thursday** Educational Visit to School III: Educational organisation & management of learning. Feedback on educational visit to school. **Friday** Assessment of learning management in Spain. Field Learning "Contexts4Content. **Saturday** Presentation of participants' learning portfolios Final reflection on learning acquired Reflection about Dissemination Strategies Evaluation of the programme

NOTE: These Reference programmes may be subject to amendment. Such amendment, if necessary, would be kept to a minimum, consistent with the quality and balance of the programme.