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path towards building 21st century skills**

1st conference of young researchers

Together in a digital world

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General Gheorghe Magheru Technical College from Târgu Jiu and Gimnazija in srednja šola Rudolfa Maistra Kamnik were the virtual hosts for the first edition of the Conference of Young Researchers with the theme "Together in a digital world", attended by 66 students from 4 countries. Other partners and organizers were Escola Profissional de Ciencias Geográficas, from Lisbon Portugal and Sultangazi Ataturk Mesleki ve Teknik Anadolu Lisesi, from Istanbul, Turkey.

The debates at the conference focused on environmental issues, environmental pollution, the risks of depletion of natural resources, the importance of water for a healthy life, and the role of technology in addressing these issues but also in raising public awareness of these risks. The young "researchers" presented videos with experiences from physicochemical analysis of water in laboratory, but also with studies and research in their countries on environmental issues.

The presentations were followed by debates and discussions in which students had the opportunity to get to know each other, share their concerns, exchange ideas and lay the foundations for future cooperation.

The second edition of this conference will take place at the end of March, when the young researchers will present other experiences and laboratory activities on environmental issues, as well as how technology can contribute to a better future. Given the large number of participants in this edition, but also the quality of materials received, the organizers consider that the activity was a real success and show that in time when education "suffers", technology can be an opportunity for quality education. The activities are part of the Erasmus+ project Integrating technology in the teaching process, path towards building 21st century skills, which aim, among other things, is to promote cooperation between students from partner countries.

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