

# NEWSLETTER

## WELCOME

Hello and welcome to the fourth and final newsletter of the BLAST! project!

Thank you for following our unique project! We appreciate your support of our project, which aims to promote youth engagement in the sustainable revolution through learning about blockchain!

## HAVING A BLAST! NATIONAL EVENTS

Our final activity in the BLAST! project has been to host a series of showcase events, to promote the materials and approaches we have taken with youth workers and young people in our communities.

BLAST! aimed to promote youth engagement in the sustainable revolution, by hosting a series of promotional events in Turkey, Netherlands, and Portugal.

These workshops brought together a minimum of 25 stakeholders, including education and training organisations, youth-focused education providers, youth associations, NGOs working with youth, and associated partners. The objective of these workshops was to disseminate the project's outcomes and ensure its wide impact across Europe.

Some partners chose to host active working sessions, where the learning units on sustainability and blockchain were tested again with participants. Others chose to host seminars where the project materials were presented and participants were engaged in a group discussion.

Regardless of our approach, everyone has contributed to 'having a BLAST!' at these events!



# HAVING A BLAST! FINAL CONFERENCE

The BLAST! project organised a Final Conference in Cork, Ireland on the 27th of June 2023. The project coordinator, University College Cork (UCC), hosted this conference as a hybrid event, with online presentations from partners, and participants who attended the event in person in Cork. Hosting this event as a hybrid event allowed participants from Portugal, the Netherlands, Turkey, and other regions of Ireland to attend the event and share their experiences of the BLAST! project.

The conference aimed to engage participants with project results, ensure wide European impact, disseminate key messages, and guarantee the future use of the project results. The hybrid format of this event facilitated these aims very well.

The event featured presentations on BLAST! project outcomes as well as opportunities provided by the Erasmus+ programme. The event ended in a lively discussion and debate among online and in-person participants, who were able to share their views on how the BLAST! approach could be further expanded.



## SIGNING-OFF!

When the BLAST! project began, project partners and the youth workers we support were not very familiar with the concept of blockchain, let alone did they ever think they would be able to provide training on this topic to young people in their centres.

Throughout this project, we have been encouraged to learn more about blockchain and how it can support learning about sustainability and climate change, always supported by expert partners in our consortium.

Now that the project has come to an end, we are delighted to announce that all project results are now available to view on our project website. To access our resources, please visit: <http://blast-euproject.com/>



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