

## Launch of OPEN SCHOOLING INSPIRING CASES and the Mobilisation Mutual Learning Platform

After one year from the beginning of the ambitious Horizon 2020 Project – PHERECLOS the 15 members of the project consortium are proud to present **The Mobilisation Mutual Learning Platform**: [www.phereclos.eu](http://www.phereclos.eu)

More than 60 inspiring cases from 18 countries located all over the world are available for the interested scientists in the Open Schooling concept and in STEAM education at:

<https://www.phereclos.eu/practices>

The platform is offering models and recommendations for new ecosystems in education, where schools will become a hub of a community of to embark on new engagement strategies in STEAM, in fostering individual educational pathways towards higher education in reflection of the 21st century skills.

The PHERECLOS project is built around three particular concepts as the main pillars:

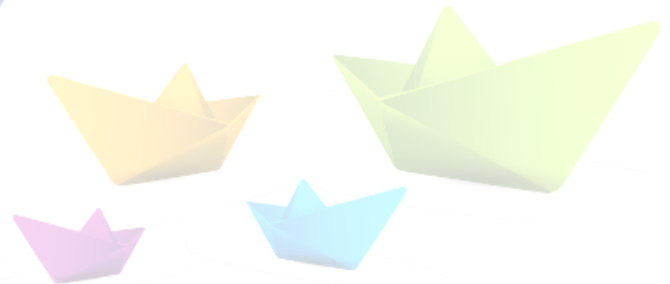
- **The concept of Science Capital**, which perceives individual representation of science as a bundle of commonplace habits, expectations and attitudes which are directly linked to and influenced by the everyday social sphere of individuals and all social actors herein.
- **The concept of Children’s Universities (CUs)**, which stands for non-formal university-based science engagement programs for children and young people as unconventional and non-traditional recipients of the academia.

- **The understanding of an Open School culture**, in which schools reflect on external ideas, topics and challenges and incorporates them in their teaching approaches and everyday school life, and in return, provide the creativity and potential as the assets of their pupils and teachers to the community around them.

There are many categories available within the inspiring cases, such as Children Universities, Capacity Building, Interactive Workshops, Atmospheric Risk Phenomenas, Collaborative Learning, Co-creation, Entrepreneurship, etc.

The leading organisations are Schools, with different levels of education, Non-governmental Organisations, Companys, Governmental Organizations or others, working together fruitfully with External Partners such as Companys, NGOs, Public Authorities, Museum, Parents Organisation and others.

The PHERECLOS consortium consists of 15 partners from 11 EU countries and 1 country from South America.





## ABOUT PHERECLOS

Setting sail on a 3 year educational journey in October 2019, the EU-project **PHERECLOS**

builds upon the experience of Children's Universities (CUs) in Europe and beyond. Due to their engagement with children and young people, they help to breakdown institutional boundaries between universities and the wider society. CU often sit between key organisations in the educational and social landscape, collaborating with both.

The project will establish "**Local Education Clusters**" (LECs), bringing together schools and further relevant actors in the educational ecosystem of 6 diverse pilot regions. These actors may be universities, governmental and non-governmental organisations, companies, charities, museums or other knowledge providers. The LECs will be incubators for enabling a dialogue and for setting-up joint activities between these organisations at the overlapping edges of formal and non-formal education.

At the same time, the project aims to improve the quality of science engagement. PHERECLOS will implement a digital "**OpenBadge**" system which labels institutions as reliable and responsive actors allowing all LEC parties to become real agents of change in education. At the same time, this ecosystem will highlight individual achievements with respect to STEAM engagement.

The regional effectiveness and impact will be monitored and informed by implementation research. This will lead to the development of implementation guidelines and policy briefs to enhance the sustainability of the overall approach.

Therefore, PHERECLOS will highlight the wider benefits gleamed from our LECs and use these experiences to catalyse access to higher education for young people, particularly STEAM-related careers, affording benefits in a wider societal context.

**Come sail with us!**

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