

Outdoor Learning & 21st Century Skills 27.08.2024 – 29.08.2024 (3 days course*)

Madeira Island¹, Portugal

Language used for the training: English

Description: The Outdoor Education is one of the most important education approaches in European context. If there were any doubts, the covid-19 pandemic reinforced the urgency of schools and teachers to look at activities in nature as an adequate way to teach and learn curricular subjects.

The course has been designed to provide tools to prepare European teachers for a future that happens today, where activities outside the formal classroom will increasingly become part of the school live. The topics and training activities consider the Key Competences for 21st Century Students. The course is designed to be very practical, demonstrative, and interactive. The trainers are enthusiastic educational agents, namely teachers with broad experience and actively involved in Outdoor Education and 21st Century Skills.

Course Objectives:

- Promote the debate about Outdoor Education and Key Competences for 21st Century Citizens.
- Understand the learning opportunities offered by outdoors.
- Learn to read the natural contexts in terms of learning opportunities.
- Understand how to integrate outdoor activities in the curriculum subjects.
- Promote interdisciplinary work through outdoor activities.
- Improve educational practices through collaborative working approaches.
- Increase knowledge of social, linguistic, and cultural issues.

Topics of the Course:

- The essence of Outdoor Education (roots, definition, and context).
- Spaces/environments for outdoor activities.
- Tools and strategies to be used in outdoor activities.
- STEAM activities outside the classroom.
- Planning outdoor activities.

Outdoor Activities in ... FOREST/SEA/MOUNTAIN COURSE AGENDA

1st day, TUESDAY, 27/08 (09h00/19h00)

09h00	Venue: DTIM - Regional Association for the Development of Technologies in Madeira
/	Funchal City Center. See more information in Google Maps.
11h30	Topics:
	 Course Welcome. Introduction to the course content/agenda and learning outcomes.
	 Presentations by the participants on their schools and experience
	 The essence of Outdoor Education (roots, definition, and context).
	 Social and citizenship skills that can be developed through a direct relation with the
	environment.
	Visit to <u>Quinta das Cruzes Gardens</u> (cultural visit & outdoor activities)
12h30	Light lunch provided by 21Knowledge.
13h30	Outdoor - FOREST
/	Transport provided by 21Knowlege.
18h00	Topics:
	 How to integrate environmental education into the formal curriculum by providing meaningful outdoor learning experiences.
	 Practical, flexible activity ideas for a nature-rich, outdoor-oriented approach to the core subjects.
	 Practical ideas for engaging hands-on projects and campaigns with an impact in the surrounding community.
	 Short dynamics as practical addition of the theoretical approach.

¹ In **2024** (2023, 2022, 2021, 2020, 2019, 2018, 2017, 2016, 2014, 2013) won the "Europe's Leading Island Destination" prize.



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	Tasks:
	Task 1: Forest bathing
	Task 2: Playful experiences
	Task 3: Experiencing 21st century skills outdoors
	Task 4: Reading the environment
	Task 5: Taste of My Home Country (*) with Madeira flavors (provided by 21Knowledge)
	Task 6: Land art
	Location: in the forest by the campfire site.
	(*) Participants must bring snacks from their homeland.
18h00	Return to hotel.
	Dinner on your own (free time)

2nd day, WEDNESDAY, 28/08 (09h00/17h30)

09h00	Venue : <u>DTIM</u> - Regional Association for the Development of Technologies in Madeira
/ 12h00	Practical workshop in setting up an outdoor class.
	eTwinning - a community for schools in Europe
	Lunch on your own, Funchal City Center
13h30 /	Venue: Escola Horácio Bento de Gouveia (Horácio Bento de Gouveia Scholl)
17h30	STEAM Workshop
	 STEAM / STEM: short theoretical presentation.
	 From outdoor to indoor - The Flight of Birds
	[STEAM goes hand in hand with outdoor education. It's a forward-thinking, integrated approach to learning that uses Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Mathematics to guide children's questioning, critical thinking, and dialogue].
	School Visit: With special attention to the outdoor spaces that are used by students in <u>award-</u>
	winning projects
	Dinner on your own (free time)
21h00	Optional guided walk mini tour of <u>Funchal Old Town</u>

3rd day, THURSDAY, **28/08** (09h00/22h30)

09h00	Outdoor - SEA
/	Transport provided by 21Knowlege.
12h00	 Visit "School of the Sea" – "Escola de Mar", Project of the Caniço School ("Escola do Mar" is located on Reis Magos Beach). Tasks: Task 1: Water Activities Task 2: How can I use water in my teaching (small tools for all subjects) Task 3: Tour of the "school of the sea" + relaxing by the sea. Good to remember: swimwear, bathing shoes, towel and sunscreen.
	Lunch on your own (suggestion: Restaurant in Reis Magos Beach).
13h30	Outdoor - MOUNTAIN
/	Brainstorming & Closing Session
16h30	Transport provided by 21Knowlege.
	Brainstorning:
	 Sharing the experiences of the week.
	 Learning from experience: Reflection and Discussion about the planning carried out.



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	Closing Session:
	 Validation of learning outcomes.
	 Final feedback of the course and evaluation.
	 Certification. Follow-up and networking by (WhatsApp)
	Return to Funchal - Transport provided by 21Knowlege.
	Cultural Tour & Madeira Wine Tasting, provided by 21Knowlege.
	FREE TIME
20h00	GROUP DINNER: Traditional Madeira Food - Restaurant " <u>A Parreira</u> ")
/	(Provide by 21Knowledge).
22h30	

You must bring a mobile device, such as a smartphone or tablet.

Course Fees:

240€ per participant (3-day course, 80€ per day)

<u>Extra Costs</u>: 80€ per participant (Includes: Madeira Traditional Dinner; Madeira Wine Tasting, in a wine cellar shop; 1st day lunch; transport for activities outside Funchal (FOREST/SEA/MOUTAIN), Gardens visit and cultural tour.

* The course has 3 days, but as it is designed by modules, we can accept participants in for more days. For other solutions, please contact 21Knowledge by email (info@21knowledge.pt).

How to apply for the course:

Registration at <u>http://www.21knowledge.pt</u> (<u>http://www.21knowledge.pt/registration-form.html</u>)</u> Contact us by email: info@21knowledge.pt , landline phone +351 232 40713 or mobile +351 962445476.

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Hotel Course (suggestion – special price for this course): Pestana Casino Park

The <u>Pestana Casino Park</u> is a 5-star hotel in Funchal, Madeira, surrounded by 15,000 m² of private gardens. Designed by world-renowned master architect Óscar Niemeyer, this hotel is adjacent to the Funchal bay cruise port. Plus, it is only 5 minutes on foot from the city centre and the epicentre of the city's social and cultural life. <u>Hotel Contacts:</u> Cristina Santos | Sales Assistant | anacristina.santos@pestana.com | +351 926972748



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