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#### THE OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF

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FREE
Training
platform for
Teachers

Piloting with Teachers and Parents

International Conference



#### FREE TRAINING PLATFORM

Partners IARS, IDEC, NOVEL GROUP, SUBVERSIVE FRONT, SYMPLEXIS and CAMINOS have finalised and published our accredited, free training program for teachers and parents that aims to:

- 1. Inform and empower teachers with gender sensitivity training.
- 2. Clarify notions of gender, raise awareness, and promote dialogue between school staff and parents.
- 3. Give teachers educational tools and methodology to identify, combat and report gender-based discrimination.

The training platform contains a handbook for parents and teachers as well as 5 training modules with interactive activities, videos and discussion tools.



#### PILOTING WITH TEACHERS AND PARENTS

Over the last two months, project partners of the FREE Project have been piloting our FREE from gender-based discrimination in schools training with teachers and parents in Greece, Spain, North Macedonia and the UK.

The piloting has been a great success with some amazing feedback and areas for improvement from teachers and parents.

The piloting took place in three stages. An initial meeting and explanation of the **platform** and how to sign up, time for teachers to go away and complete the training modules, and finally, a discussion with parents and teachers together to receive feedback and have a natural discussion of the platform and their experiences.

Finally we received some amazing evaluations from teachers and parents, directing us on how we can improve the platform, training and overall process, ready for teachers to use it to it fullest potential.

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## Are you a teacher, educator, parent, or member of staff in an educational setting?

If you are, this training could be for you and your colleagues!



#### INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE IN LONDON

On the 24th of February 2022, we held our International Conference in London. It took place online and in person as the Human Rights Action Centre from 1-4pm GMT. MORE INFORMATION HERE!

The conference introduced the project and project's training and platform to a wider audience, especially parents, teachers and educational organisations and authorities. We featured key speakers such as CEO of IARS Claire Bonham, and CEO Gemma Aitchison from YES Matters UK to discuss key problems and solutions, based on the FREE Project findings, of gender-based discrimination in schools.

We also raised awareness of FREE's methodology and online platform, attracting new users to the platform, and also schools to take on FREE's training methodology. The conference was also accredited by <u>CPD</u>!

1-4PM GMT 24 FEB 2022

HUMAN RIGHTS ACTION CENTRE, LONDON & VIRTUAL

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FREE FROM GENDER DISCRIMINATION IN SCHOOLS: PARENTS AND TEACHERS TOGETHER













