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Editorial: Reconnecting with the project

During the summer of 2015, the project EVS+SVE Sustainable entrepreneurship values through e-learning continued its progress. After our meeting in Romania in August, the 19 online courses were tested by all the EVS from partners' organizations while we were preparing the last meeting in Lefkas. But summer ended and October gave us a new opportunity to meet and continue with our multi measurable project: EVS+SVE: Sustainable Entrepreneurship values through E-learning. This time, only two representatives from each organization met in Lefkas in order to conclude the project and become e-mentors of the online platform.

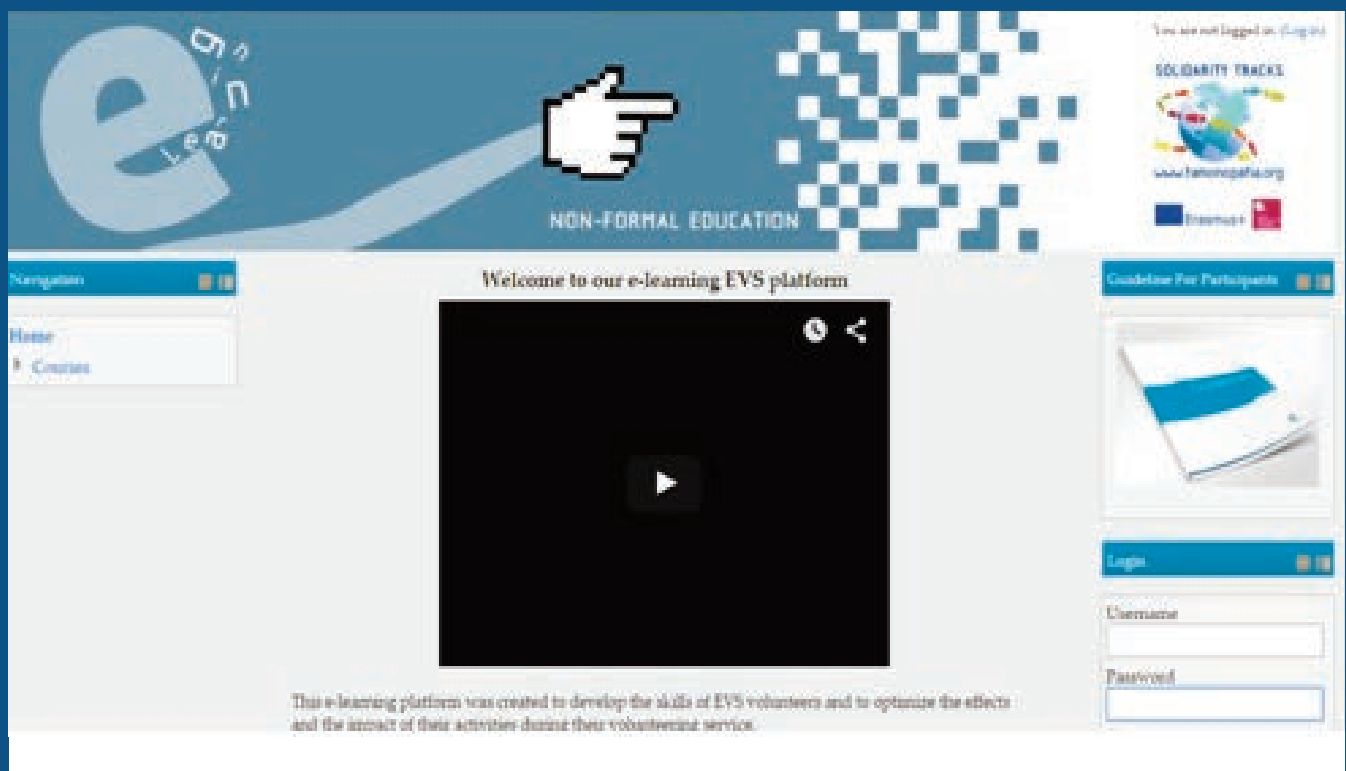
We spent 6 days in beautiful Lefkas finishing all the adjustments on our platform so it can be finally launched. But, also, the main objective of this last training course was to focus on our future role: we will be the first generation of e-mentors of Europe.

As it was the third and last meeting of our project, it was also the most emotional. We knew each other very well and our friendship just continued growing. We have in common wonderful moments and memories from Greece and Romania and we share a big responsibility to sustain the platform. We are committed; we have the knowledge and we will make this platform a huge success to support future EVS volunteers around Europe.

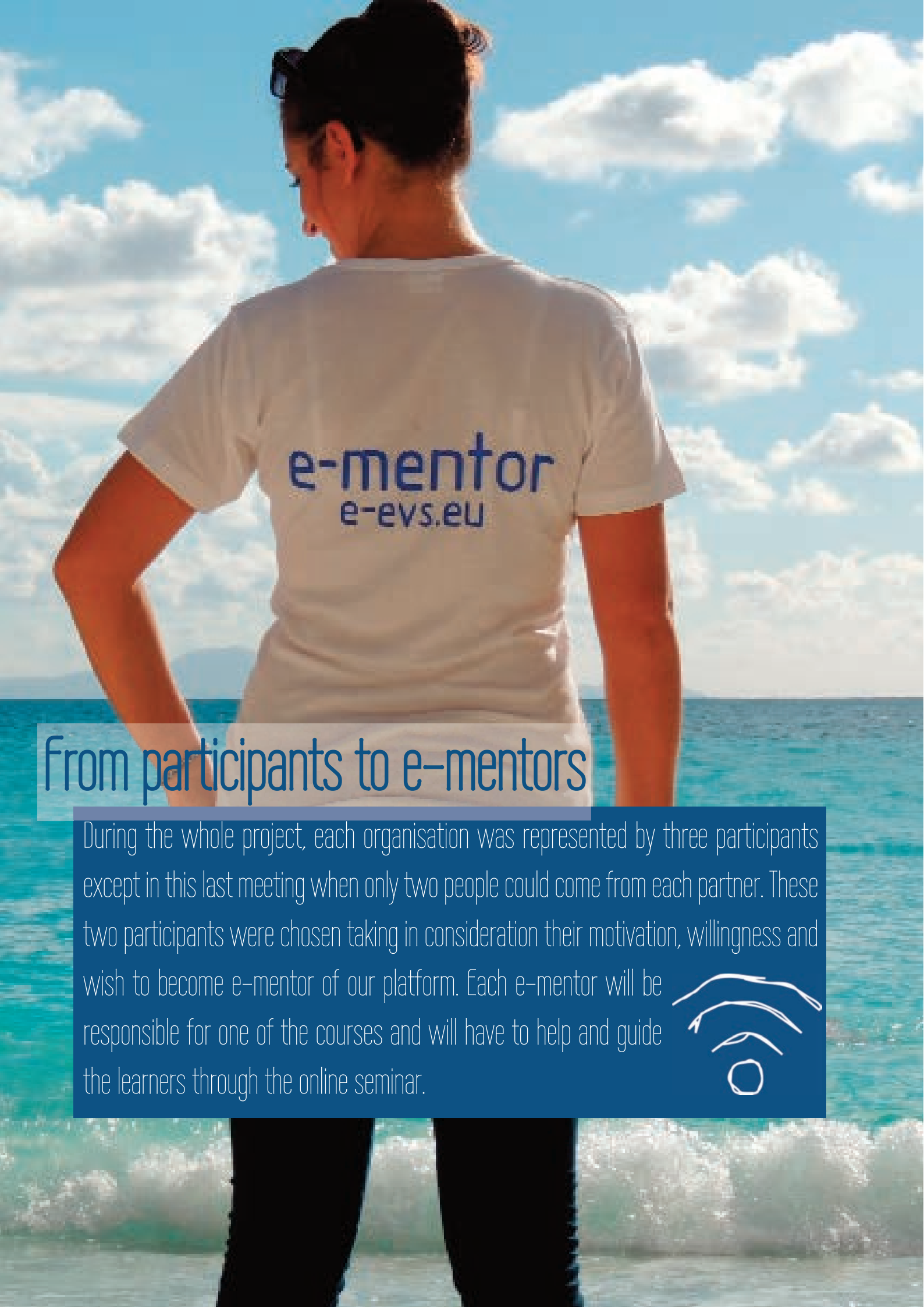
Platform ready to be launched

After many corrections and hard work, finally, at the end of this meeting, we could say that our platform was ready to be launched. But before giving the platform the green light, our participants received new feedbacks and had to go through their courses and made some adjustments. As last corrections, we focused on the quality of the text and made a big effort to correct grammatically and orthographically the content of the platform.

We, also, needed to make the platform nicer, so we made some changes in the design and structure of the courses and site. Other important things developed during the seminar and included in the platform were two guide tools. One is directed to the e-mentors and it explains what to be e-mentor means (role, obligations, code of conduct, etc) and the other is focused on the EVS volunteers who will be the beneficiaries of the courses.



The screenshot displays the user interface of the e-learning EVS platform. At the top, a banner features a large stylized 'e' logo on the left, a hand cursor pointing towards the center, and the text 'NON-FORMAL EDUCATION' below it. To the right of the banner is a 'SOLIDARITY TRACKS' logo with a globe icon and the website address 'www.femmagazine.org', along with logos for the European Union and China. The main content area is titled 'Welcome to our e-learning EVS platform' and contains a large video player with a play button. Below the video player, a small text box states: 'This e-learning platform was created to develop the skills of EVS volunteers and to optimize the effects and the impact of their activities during their volunteering service.' On the left side, there is a 'Navigation' menu with 'Home' and 'Courses' options. On the right side, there is a 'Guidelines For Participants' section with a document icon, and a 'Login' section with fields for 'Username' and 'Password'.



e-mentor
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From participants to e-mentors

During the whole project, each organisation was represented by three participants except in this last meeting when only two people could come from each partner. These two participants were chosen taking in consideration their motivation, willingness and wish to become e-mentor of our platform. Each e-mentor will be responsible for one of the courses and will have to help and guide the learners through the online seminar.



Participants' diary

Day 2 **Article written by Drazen and Renaud**

The day started with preparation for the final technical work about the courses. We were all working on the finalizing aspects for the content of the courses. It was good to see the final work and to feel the relief of getting a good job done. Everybody was excited that we have made good job and we will provide significant help to the EVS volunteers all over Europe. Afterward we had a speech and a debate on how to properly define the role of the e-mentor and what is to expect from them. Unfortunately, the weather was fine so we could not enjoy the beauty of the island and have a good swim. But with the right people even the casual afternoon can be a pleasant time. We also discussed about the next day activities and how to make them better. Few beers before sleeping and great intercultural jokes were the proper way to close the day.

Day 4 **Article written by Alba, Katia and Syuzanna**

In the morning the participants were working in groups on the creation of tools for e-mentors. These tools and guides will help them in their mentoring process. At first they discussed and came to an agreement on several topics which were included in the guide. These topics include "Introduction. What is e-mentoring", "Roles and responsibilities of e-mentor", "How to communicate with volunteers", "Glossary". And then they started to work. After a coffee break each group presented their work. Fittila, Sidik as well as some of the participants expressed their opinions about the work done and gave some instructions and advice.

After lunch participants went on a day trip. At first they visited a Winery. In the winery they were told about how they made wine in past and how they do it now i.e. how they collect the grapes, how they turn it into wine and how bottle it. The participants also had opportunity to taste some wine. Then they went to Vasiliki. In Vasiliki some of the participants went to the beach to swim, the others enjoyed their time in one of the cafes drinking beer. The last stop was Iridri. After it they came back to the hotel to have dinner.

Day 5 **Article written by Shushan and Hania**

We started the day with a group picture of the future E-mentors and we got nice t-shirts as present. After the photo session, the trainer introduced us the topic of discussion, which was about how the relationship between E-Mentors and the EVS-ers (youth interested in EVS) should be. Later on, we talked about different methods of cooperation between all the e-mentors of our platform. We finished the morning session defining the future cooperation between e-mentors and administrator of our platform which was very important and useful to know.

After lunch break, we had a simulation activity that made us act and react as E-Mentors and another discussion about how to support disable people in the platform. The session ended with the daily evaluation with fixed group members. In groups, we had to discuss about our best moments and less good ones, about what we've learnt and also make suggestions and share something important for us regarding the day.

In the evening we had a very beautiful sunset, and we spend a very nice time in the beach with a lot of mosquitos. We will never forget that evening because despite mosquitos everything was beautiful, we had nice moments, and we had a picture in our hand that we can never forget the view and the moment we spent together. The sad part was when we were already coming back because one man explained us in Greek that the dog bites fdeline, who was coming to join us.



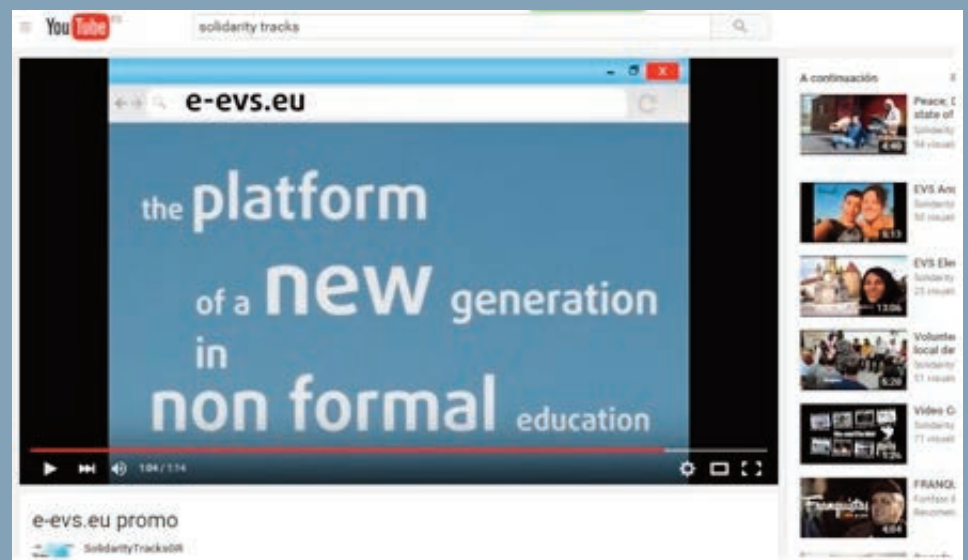
What's next?

The project 'EVS+SVE' finished with this third meeting in Lefkas, but we don't want our platform dies. So, we made personal commitments in order to guarantee the sustainability of our project. Once we were back to our communities, we took the role of promoters of the platform, sharing it as much as possible. The main objective to do so is to let EVS volunteers and organizations know about the existence of the platform and be benefited by the different online courses. One way to help the promotion of the platform was the production of a video which advertises the objectives and target of the courses and website. This video was made by the trainer, Hosszu Reka, and it can be share by everyone. Reka also designed promotional postcards that can be used to disseminate the platform. Everyone can printed them and send them.

Postcard



Promotional video





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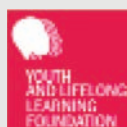
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