



## APPLE

### **A few words about APPLE**

Early School Leaving remains a challenge for many EU member states, despite the significant developments that have been made regarding school integration of young people with vulnerable background. The necessity to implement APPLE project emerged from the high levels of Early School Leaving in EU Member States and other Associated Countries. According to datasets released by Eurostat, 10.6% of young people (18-24) in the EU in 2017 did not complete their studies at upper-secondary level for a variety of social, economic and family-related reasons.

**APPLE** aims at tackling the issue by developing an **innovating guide** and an **early-warning and Early Drop-Out- Tackling platform**, which will enable educators and schools to timely identify youth at risk of dropping out of education and take preventive action.

### **APPLE aims at:**

- ✓ Enabling educators to apply **innovative pedagogical methods** and to easier **identify youth at risk of dropping-out**.
- ✓ Identifying ways of **preventing early school leaving** as well as the necessary reforms at political and institutional level.
- ✓ **Raising awareness** among the educational community regarding the importance of halting early school leaving.

### **How APPLE will succeed?**

- ✓ By designing and organizing capacity building seminars tailored to the needs of the educators.
- ✓ By organizing focus groups with youth at risk of early leaving as well as interviews with educators.
- ✓ By developing a guide for educators on the profiles of youth at risk of early school leaving.
- ✓ By developing an online Early Warning Platform, which will consist of key scientific and pedagogical material, as well as guides, Massive Open Online Courses (MOOCs) and reports.
- ✓ By organizing workshops and bringing together policy makers, representatives from think-tanks and NGOs, activists and researchers, in order to exchange thoughts and ideas and potentially draft an action plan to halt early leaving from education



### **How to join APPLE**

- If you are an *educator*, please feel free to contact us to attend our trainings and to access the Early Warning Platform.
- If you work in the *Public Sector* in the field of Education, stay tuned for our workshops.
- If you are a *school student* of the upper secondary education level and you would like to share with us your personal stories, including challenges/obstacles you might be facing and aspirations for the future, please feel free to contact us.

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