

MyDigiCoop: Celebrating Success and Looking to the Future

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From Ideas to Reality — We create, we practice, we implement!

MyDigiCoop partners are proud to announce the completion of the project as the final outputs of the MyDigiCoop project have been finalized. Recalling the first Kick-Off Meeting held online back in April 2021, the consortium came together to plan and design the two main Intellectual Outputs of the project namely IO1: Open Iterative Platform, and IO2: Guideline Compilation for Blended and Online – Distant Learning. Two years have almost passed since the Kick-Off meeting and many accomplishments have been achieved.

For IO1, the platform has been launched and all the modules are available on the platform now. The launch of the IO1 platform was a significant milestone towards promoting social-cooperative entrepreneurship. With the availability of all modules on the platform and the translation into six languages (other than English, it is also available in Euskera, Finnish, German, Romanian and Spanish), the platform is accessible to a wider audience. The modular approach with three levels offers an opportunity for students to progress at their own pace, and the quiz requirement ensures that they have a solid understanding of the material before moving to higher levels. Ultimately, the IO1 platform aims to empower individuals and communities to develop cooperative projects that address the needs of the community in a collective and sustainable manner.

For IO2, the Manual for Teachers was created with the cooperation of all the partners in the project. It has been translated into six languages as well. The manual provides clear

guidelines for educators on how to use the platform and its tools to enhance their students' learning experience. It has created a valuable impact by equipping higher education professionals with the necessary tools and competencies to foster social-cooperative entrepreneurship among their students.



MyDigiCoop Learning and Training Event and The Multiplier Event

Besides the two main outputs, the MyDigiCoop project has also carried out some other activities to promote social cooperative entrepreneurship, among others are the Learning Teaching and Training Activity organized by Haaga-Helia in Helsinki and the Multiplier Event hosted by Mondragon University in Bilbao.

The Learning Teaching and Training Activity was organized from 25 to 27 January 2023 in Helsinki. Over the course of three days, the attendees learned about cooperative social entrepreneurship from experts who spoke about the Mondragón cooperative movement, specific company management situations, and the function of cooperatives in the social economy. The event provided an opportunity for participants to gain a deeper understanding of social entrepreneurship and

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cooperative principles. Meanwhile, it served as an excellent opportunity for social entrepreneurs to connect with like-minded individuals and learn from experts in the field. Through this training, the MyDigiCoop project helped to pave the way for a more cooperative and socially responsible business landscape.



Following the learning and training event in Helsinki, a multiplier event was held as a grand finale event in Bilbao, Spain. The event was hosted by HUHEZU on February 9th at the AsFabrik, one of the campuses of Mondragon University. It was a celebration of the project's outputs and a forum for sharing knowledge at a European level. Not only students who were interested in working on this topic at the university level, but also higher education teaching and research staff, as well as social economy actors attended the conference. The event served as an opportunity for attendees

to network with like-minded individuals and gain a deeper understanding of social entrepreneurship and cooperative principles.



Reflecting on A Journey of Collaboration and Innovation: The Final TPM of the MyDigiCoop project

The final transnational meeting of the MyDigiCoop project was held in Mondragon as a culmination of two years of dedicated work and fruitful collaboration among its partners. On February 10, 2023, the partners met face-to-face to discuss and shared the final steps of the project. During the meeting, the partners discussed their overall vision for the project, their satisfaction with its outcomes, and its positive reach in terms of communication. The MyDigiCoop project partners ended the meeting with a sense of inspiration to continue their efforts to implement and disseminate the project's key findings to better promote social-cooperative entrepreneurship in the future.

For more information about the project, please visit MyDigiCoop's official website: <u>www.mydigicoop.eu</u>

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