



Call for Application to Virtual Exchange training in the EnVision network

The EnVision network* is happy to announce the first training seminar on collaborative online learning focusing on virtual exchange, which will take place **at the University of Tartu, on October 23-24, 2023.**

Virtual exchange (VE) programs have been rapidly expanding in recent years. More and more universities are providing VE programs to their learners to **enhance their digital competences** and **transferable skills** as well as to offer an intercultural environment in the study process.

Setting up a course using collaborative online learning requires knowledge on task design, choice of digital technologies and online coordination with co-teachers and this is exactly what this workshop is offering. It also enables participants to network with others in order to establish potential virtual exchange courses.

The two-day workshop is targeted to the academics or programme developers in the **field of Social Sciences** looking for opportunities to internationalize their courses and give students first-hand experience of intercultural communication.

The participants are expected and encouraged to share their knowledge within their institutions to increase the universities' readiness to engage in virtual exchange.

The traveling to and accommodation costs in Estonia as well as the lunches during the training program will be covered by **Nordplus grant**. Teaching staff that participate in the program will also receive the **certificate of attendance**, which recognizes the development of their pedagogical practices and professional training.

Each partner institution of EnVision network can bring **3 participants** to the training program to Tartu.

To apply for the seminar in Tartu, please [fill in the form](#) by August 14, 2023

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***The EnVision network** brings together four innovation-oriented universities in the Nordic-Baltic region (University of Tartu, Vilnius University, Uppsala University, University of Helsinki) with a range of experiences in designing and running Virtual Exchanges (VEs) to 1) facilitate the sharing of knowledge and best-practices and 2) co-design VEs course scenarios and produce shared guidelines for implementing VEs. The network will strengthen cooperation channels in the region, creating a hub of excellence in innovative digital teaching methods and VEs.