

"Education for a changing world equips and empowers young people to be adaptable life-long learners."

Today's schoolchildren will be working in jobs that don't even exist yet, using tools we can't even imagine, and yet, for most children education remains rigid and inflexible.

"Education for a diversity of individuals supports all children equally in pursuing their interests and potential."

Children have unique interests, needs, backgrounds and learning styles. In our standardised education system many young people drop out, become labelled or placed in special programmes.

Let's keep in touch

Join us! EUDEC members connect through:

- conferences, seminars and other events
- newsletters
- community-run website
- online forums
- mailing lists

If you're involved in events or projects related to democratic education, or want to find out about what's happening near you then do get in touch.

Don't be shy - take the first step to finding out more about the benefits of democratic education for students and society.

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Ready
to rediscover
education?



A better way: Democratic Education

An education setting that is not based on punishment and rewards but trust and respect.

Self-directed learning

Educational science has proven the best learning is self-motivated - that's why in democratic schools, students choose what to learn, when, where, how and with whom.

"Young people experience learning as an enjoyable pursuit, fuelled by their natural curiosity and interests."

Collective decision-making

Democratic schools are communities of genuine equality. At school meetings the students and staff have an equal say in making decisions on how the school is run - whether that's on school rules, the curriculum, projects, hiring staff or what to spend money on.

What is EUDEC?

- School-Founding Support
- Networking and Exchanges
- School Partnerships
- Conferences
- Advocacy
- EUDEC Diploma

The European Democratic Education Community (EUDEC) is a non-profit organisation working to strengthen the democratic education movement. In just a few years we've grown from a small group of schools to a thriving membership-run organisation representing every major European country.

Our members are teachers, students, parents, schools, start-up groups and organisations. Some have decades of experience in democratic education. Others join us to support the movement, be part of our dynamic community or learn more about democratic education as an option for themselves, their children or their students.