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“It seems there has never been a more important time to discuss and further understand discrimination – past and present – and to have an online toolbox to guide our students towards both empathy and empowerment.”

Shannon Hancock, Teacher at the International School of Amsterdam, 30 November 2016

Multi-lingual

By summer 2017 Stories that Move will be available in seven language versions.

The online learning tool will be available in English, Dutch, German, Hungarian, Polish, Slovak and Ukrainian.



Antisemitism, racism, and discrimination are still present in Europe nowadays, affecting the lives of young people everywhere. The online toolbox Stories that Move challenges learners to think critically about diversity and discrimination, and to reflect on their own position and choices in these matters.

The toolbox is a multi-lingual educational website that helps young people across Europe explore the meaning of hate speech, exclusion and discrimination. The need to support educators in this field has become even more apparent against the background of current events, including the recent violent attacks in many cities in Europe, the refugee crisis and the growing support for right-wing parties. Stories that Move will be available in English and in all the national languages of Austria, Germany, Hungary, the Netherlands, Poland, Slovakia and Ukraine.

Learning from one another

In the online toolbox educators and learners will find five ready-to-use learning paths, with multiple layers of information, assignments and life stories. In short film clips young people share their positive experiences but also those of exclusion, discrimination and hate crimes. These poignant and recognisable stories form the starting point of an honest exploration of many topics related to discrimination.

Inclusive approach

The Toolbox focusses not only on racism and antisemitism, but also on antigypsyism, discrimination of LGBT+ and discrimination of Muslims. This inclusive approach gives room to all young people's voices making all learners feel included and involved. This will in its turn empower educators to discuss sensitive and complex issues both inside and outside of their classrooms.

The five learning paths

With the online toolbox Stories that Move we aim to help mainstream both education and learning about diversity and various forms of discrimination. We use learning paths around the following themes to do so:

- Identity and diversity
- Facing discrimination
- Life stories connecting past and present
- Mastering the media
- Taking action

Shared European history

Research has shown that educators want more knowledge and better resources to teach about discrimination, and that they in particular want to address antisemitism in a way that makes it clear that this issue is still present in today's society. The online learning tool underlines the shared European history of antisemitism and other forms of discrimination. Moreover, thanks to country-specific content on relevant local topics and situations, Stories that Move matches curriculums throughout Europe.

Project past and present

The international youth conference Stories that Move, in Berlin in 2013, marked the start of the research for the project. The conference was followed by an expert meeting with educators from 14 countries in Berlin in 2014. Rollout of the Toolbox started with an extensive testing phase in 2016. By summer 2017 Stories that Move will be available in seven language versions. Autumn 2017 seminars will be held in each of the countries involved in the development of the tool. An international conference in June 2018 will facilitate international exchange and look ahead to future implementation of the tool in schools across Europe.

Partners

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The materials provided will:

- Help work toward a safe school environment.
- Make sensitive issues okay to discuss, taking the vulnerability of students into account.
- Create a greater understanding of the complexity of discrimination in all its forms.
- Create awareness of the importance of taking action.

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