

The pandemic restrictions are over and the YDML activities can continue!



After one year of suspension waiting for covid-19 lockdowns and travel restrictions to end, the YDML partners decided to resume the international and local project mobilities! From the beginning of November 2021 the project partners started preparations for the second inspiring Digital Media Literacy training for youth workers in Prague.

Second international mobility in Prague



Training experts from the 5 project partner countries joined their enthusiasm and inspirational force in the long awaited second international training mobility for digital media literacy that took place **in Prague, Czech Republic, between 13th and 18th of June 2022.**

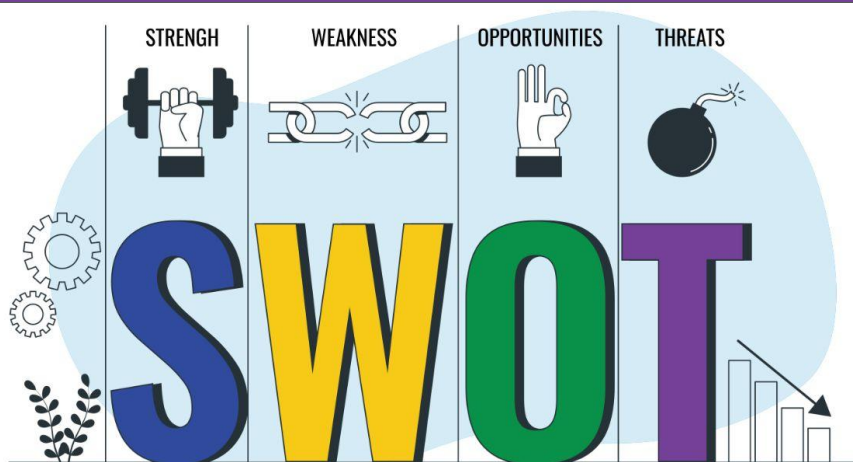
Planned initially to take place in February 2022, the mobility was postponed once again after scientists in South Africa isolated in December 2021 a new strain of the coronavirus - COVID Omicron. Luckily, this time the postponement was not long.



The sessions were held in the **Smichovska stredni prumyslova skola a gymnazium (SSPS)**. A school with 120 years of history, in present days SSPS specialises in Information technologies, Cyber security, Robotics, Internet of things, Multimedia and other modern disciplines.

The aim of the YDML program in Prague was to provide the trainers the opportunity to test with young people different learning scenarios in the field of digital media literacy. For this to happen several parallel workshops with students 16 to 18 years' old were organised. Among the topics presented to the students were *Social media and mental health*, *Fact checking*, *Information bubble (echo chamber)*, *Social media and human interaction* and others. The full description of the event can be found in the [YDML website](#).

Focus check



Following a year in suspension in the middle of pandemic turmoil and almost two years after the implementation of the inquiry of youth digital media competences, carried out in the frames of the project, the YDML partners decided to do a reality check. They took the chance to analyze **the project development and potentials** using the SWOT technique. As big **strengths** of the project the partners see the possibility to share ideas, experience and suggestions among organisations with different profiles, experience and knowledge, and also that it can improve our knowledge on media literacy and give us new tools. The **weak point** is that DML is difficult to define which impedes content development. PARTners confirmed their confidence that the YDML results and outputs can improve the awareness and also the critical thinking on this topic, spreading different methods and educational approaches. The partners were excited about the improvement of the project outputs and future prospects for their use.



Upcoming events:

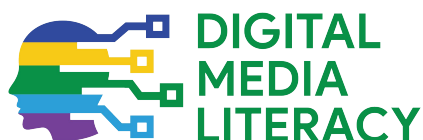
The last YDML international mobility will take place in Bulgaria in September 2022. The location of the training will be in the city of Plovdiv.

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