

## About the Project:

The PODSQUAD Project aims to provide young adult NEETs (not in employment, education, or training) with further development opportunities. This project aims to support NEETs by developing suitable and engaging education and training interventions through the medium of podcasting, so that they are confident to be re-integrated into the labour market. Through podcasting, NEETs will be able to develop an individualised career pathway that makes the most of the knowledge and skills they already possess.

## Training Events:

In September 2023, the PODSQUAD In-Service Training for Youth Professionals was held in Thessaloniki, Greece. 10 youth professionals from Greece, Cyprus, Ireland, Spain, and Romania attended the event which focused on developing the skills of youth professionals to provide audio production training to young adult NEETs. The training served to equip youth professionals with the necessary skills to support NEETs in using portable media devices for podcasting. It also centred around how youth professionals can employ inquiry-based and blended learning methodologies when working with young adult NEETs.

## Upcoming Meetings:

The final PODSQUAD Transnational Partner Meeting will take place in Nicosia, Cyprus in February 2024. During this meeting, partners will discuss the finalisation of all project resources and their sustainability opportunities.

## Our Progress:

Over the last few months, the project partners have been working on developing and finalising the project resources. The PODSQUAD Online Space and Community of Practice is now live and hosts a variety of learning materials for NEETs and Professionals. On the platform, learners can browse through the following materials:

- **PODSQUAD In-Service Training Programme for Youth Workers**
  - A training programme to provide training in audio production, digital technologies, and editing software
- **My Mental Health Toolkit of Resources**
  - A suite of cartoons and self-help resources that are specifically tailored for NEETs to support their mental health and well-being.
- **Embedded Learning Through Podcasts Curriculum**
  - Embedded learning resources that help NEETs to build their confidence and digital competencies.
- **Online Space and Community of Practice**
  - An online space to provide access to all of the PODSQUAD project materials

Explore the PODSQUAD platform here: <https://podsquadmooc.eu/>



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