



EDUCATIONAL LEADERSHIP NETWORK EUROPE (ELNE)

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1. Who is the ELNE Network?

1.1. About us

The Educational Leadership Network Europe (ELNE) is a Europe-wide community of relevant and reputable European-level networks, national organisations, and regional and local institutions, representing policymakers, practitioners, researchers and stakeholders, from the education and training sector from all over Europe.

Our network is composed of over 60 partner organisations from 26 different countries, including 10 Europe-wide networks, 22 universities, and multiple national, regional, and local organisations including ministries of education, authorities, private associations, etcetera.

1.2. Our work

With its rich and diverse community, the ELNE works toward the goal of enhancing **collaborative school leadership** in Europe. To achieve this objective, ELNE focuses on two elements: 1) showcasing existing research, practices, and social programmes that are educative and can be good examples for other institutions and organisations to implement the EEA goals; 2) providing a platform for all relevant stakeholders in education to dialogue and facilitate bottom-up initiatives.

Every year over the next 4 years, ELNE will organise an annual week-long online event to bring together education employers, school heads, middle management, teachers, students, parents, researchers, and policymakers, to showcase their work and expertise on the European Education Area's priorities in the framework of collaborative school leadership. These webinars and showcases will become part of the ELNE digital library of 'best practices' that will be available in ELNE's website.





In addition, there will be an annual in-person ELNE conference where the full network will get to meet each other, exchange, and discuss policy, research, and implementation.

1.3. Our objectives

With the first-hand knowledge acquired from the researchers, practitioners, policymakers, and other stakeholders through their showcases and conversations, ELNE will publish every year a list of research conclusions and policy recommendations. As a result, ELNE will promote and support informed-based policymaking and research, implementation at different governance levels, and the European Commission's policy work on teachers and school leaders.

2. Priorities/Themes

With collaborative school leadership as a framework, the ELNE will work on different themes and priorities each year. These are selected taking into account the focus areas of the [European Education Area](#), the burning issues of the education sector, and the priorities of the ELNE members.

In this first year of work of the ELNE, we are proud to announce the specific theme we have chosen:

2.1. Overarching theme

'Transforming schools into learning communities' will be the title of our Work Programme this year.

Entering the 21st century, education requires a paradigm shift open to inclusion, equity, quality, sustainability, digital technologies, democratic participation, and the broadening of school collaboration and partnerships (SDG4). Beyond this new agency, the paradigm shift requires a new relationship between practices, organisations, and systems.

We collectively believe that leadership can be a facilitator and a driver for developing more global approaches to education, bringing an ecosystem to work in broader cooperation within local communities, producing well-being for teachers and students alike, and helping to improve student success and to reduce social inequalities. In very brief terms, one could summarise that fair education depends on excellent leadership.





2.2. Specific priorities

- Empowering teachers, school leaders, students, and parents, and creating learning environments.
- Enacting leadership from the bottom to the top.
- Developing a systemic and transformative approach.

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