



„Higher Education Institutions for Prevention Science and Quality of Life Enhancement“ - HIPE project -

University of Zagreb Faculty of Education and Rehabilitation Sciences - The Prevention Research Laboratory (PrevLab), Department of Behavioural Disorders - is a partner in the international project “Higher Education Institutions for Prevention Science and Quality of Life Enhancement” (HIPE)”.

The project started in December 2025 and will run until November 2028. The project coordinator is Eötvös Loránd University, Budapest, and the project is funded by the Erasmus+ Programme (KA220-HED – Cooperation partnerships in higher education). Six partner organizations from European Union countries are participating in the project.

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Project Objectives

General Objectives

The HIPE project aims to:

- enhance the competences and skills of current and future prevention professionals through the development and implementation of an innovative, multidisciplinary prevention curriculum
- strengthen the link between education, research, and practice in prevention science
- contribute to improving the quality of life of young people and reinforcing the role of higher education institutions in addressing contemporary societal challenges

Specific Objectives

The project will:

- develop an EU-level competence framework defining the key knowledge, skills, and attitudes required for effective prevention practice



- design a modular, multidisciplinary prevention curriculum incorporating evidence-based approaches, innovative pedagogical methods, and digital tools
- pilot-test the curriculum with students and prevention professionals, ensuring diverse representation and applying a mixed-method evaluation approach to assess its effectiveness, relevance, and impact on participants' knowledge, skills, and attitudes
- develop micro-credentials and/or a lifelong learning programme based on the curriculum, making it accessible to students and prevention professionals across Europe through online and blended learning formats
- actively disseminate the curriculum and other project results, integrating them into examples of good practice and sharing them with a wide range of stakeholders through conferences, publications, and online platforms