



Brief Note about the participation - Romanian Inspectorate:

Between March 20-24, 2025, a group of eight school inspectors from the Caraş-Severin County School Inspectorate participated in an Erasmus+ job shadowing mobility in Portugal, organized in collaboration with the General Inspectorate of Education and Science (IGEC) and Casa da Educação. This experience was extremely valuable, offering us the opportunity to observe and compare educational structures, teaching methods, and best practices in the field of school inspection at the European level.

Strengths of the Mobility

- **Excellent organization and support provided by Casa da Educação** – We would like to extend special thanks to Mrs. Rosário Moreno, who facilitated our meetings and visits to various educational institutions, ensuring a well-structured and relevant program for our professional objectives.
- **Professionalism and openness of the Portuguese inspector colleagues** – We were impressed by the level of expertise and collaboration of the Portuguese inspectors, especially by the valuable contributions of Professors Dr. Ana Márcia Pires, Hélder Guerreiro, Helena Afonso, Leonor Duarte, Silvina Pimentel, and Rui Castanheira, who provided us with detailed information about the Portuguese educational system and specific approaches to school inspection.
- **Exchange of best practices** – We had the opportunity to analyse the ways in which Portugal structures its school inspections and to identify relevant aspects that can be adapted and implemented in Romania.
- **Access to prestigious institutions** – Visits to IGEC, the Institute for Education and Training (INETESE), the Professional School of Setúbal, and the Institute for Social Development (IDS) gave us a broad perspective on how technological and vocational education is managed in Portugal.
- **Improvement of intercultural and linguistic skills** – Interactions with Portuguese colleagues and participation in professional discussions allowed us to develop our communication skills in an international context.
- **Innovative approach to school inspection** – We observed modern methods of evaluation and monitoring of the quality of education, including the use of digital technology to streamline the inspection process.
- **Integration of new technologies in education** – We discovered examples of best practices in the use of digital platforms and interactive resources to support the teaching and evaluation process.





- **Effective models of continuous teacher training** – The program gave us an insight into the strategies through which Portuguese teachers are supported in continuous professional development, an essential aspect for increasing the quality of education.

Reasons for Continuing Collaboration

- **Development of professional skills** – The mobility helped us to better understand the requirements of the European labor market and to improve our evaluation and inspection methods.
- **Exploration of new educational methods** – We discovered innovative approaches in the field of technological and vocational education, which can contribute to the improvement of the educational process in Romania.
- **Increasing the level of international collaboration** – The experience showed us the benefits of such exchanges of experience and motivated us to promote long-term educational partnerships.
- **Improving educational inclusion** – We observed effective strategies for integrating students with special needs, which we can adapt to the realities of our educational system.
- **Strengthening the network of professional contacts** – We established valuable relationships with Portuguese inspectors and teachers, thus opening new opportunities for future collaborations.
- **Transfer of best practices on the digitalization of education** – We identified effective solutions for integrating technology into the teaching and evaluation process, which could contribute to the modernization of education in Romania.
- **Expanding mobility for teachers** – We believe that such exchanges of experience should also be accessible to teachers in Romania, to support the development of pedagogical and managerial skills.

This mobility represented an exceptional professional and personal experience, reinforcing the conviction that the exchange of best practices between European educational systems is essential for the development of quality education. We express our desire to continue this type of collaboration and to implement in Romania the lessons learned in Portugal.

Made by Romanian Inspectors

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