



"The city affects us, and we affect the city – everybody is a citymaker".

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Citizen!

GLOBAL CITIZENS AND SUSTAINABLE CITIES

2020-2021

UNESCO Associated Schools Network
in Cyprus



The programme

CitiZEN! aims at providing students with the life skills necessary for their personal development as well as empowering them to become active citizens and change makers in their communities.

At the same time, ASPnet members examine the challenges faced by cities today and the important role young people can play in catalysing change to ensure quality of life for all and sustainability in the urban environment or their community.

Objectives

- Youth empowerment (social and emotional learning, life skills acquisition).
- Fostering youth participation and citizenship.
- Identification of challenges related to city life and the SDGs.
- Encourage student-led actions for sustainable cities and communities.

CitiZEN! : self and the city

UNESCO places a special emphasis on SDG4 and GCED. Quality Education for all is not limited to cognitive outcomes. It also includes skills, values, behaviours and attitudes that will enable young people to live healthy and fulfilled lives, to take informed decisions and address local and global challenges. This requires skills such as:

- Decision making and problem solving.
- Communication, teamwork and healthy relationships.
- Empathy, resilience and self-awareness.
- Leadership and initiative.
- Creativity.

Empowering young people as individuals will enable them to assume active roles in addressing global challenges and contribute in transforming our cities according to the principles of sustainability.



Main Activities

- Capacity-building seminar for ASPnet school coordinators on Sustainable Cities and Citizenship.
- Workshops for youth empowerment and personal development.
- Workshops for global citizenship and the SDGs.
- Workshops for the production of short documentary films by students, (with an emphasis on urban heritage).
- Annual ASPnet Forum (2-3 April 2020)

“Change the city, change the world:
participation, sustainability and
quality of life for all”

Main partners

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