



Programme | Language Buddy Project Launch Event

‘The Language Buddy Project: Education, Culture and the Future for Young Refugees and Migrants’

- Event date: 6th February
- Event time: between 10.30am and 12.30pm
- Event format: Hybrid.
- Venue: Aula Magna, FFCS, UCP Campus Braga.
- URL of press release present on your institution website: FFCS website: <https://ffcs.braga.ucp.pt/pt-pt/eventos/lancamento-do-projeto-language-buddy-na-catolica-braga-22616>
- Campus Braga website: <https://braga.ucp.pt/pt-pt/eventos/lancamento-do-projeto-language-buddy-na-catolica-braga>

‘It was with a strong sense of enthusiasm that the project AMIF - Language Buddy - Supporting the language learning of migrant children and youth through Language Buddies (www.languagebuddy.eu), co-financed by the European Commission's Asylum, Migration and Integration Fund (2021-2027), held its launch event for the mentor training programme today, 6 February, in the Aula Magna of the Faculty of Philosophy and Social Sciences of the UCP Campus Braga!

The cross-cutting aim of the Language Buddy Project is to support the language learning of young migrants in the countries participating in its consortium: Greece, Austria, Italy, Spain, Portugal, Malta, Romania and Bulgaria. This project is led by the University of Macedonia and supported by a consortium of 16 organisations, including universities, civil society associations and education directorates from 8 European countries.

With a focus on making a difference in the inclusion and language learning of young migrants, the panel of guests at this event included key participants:

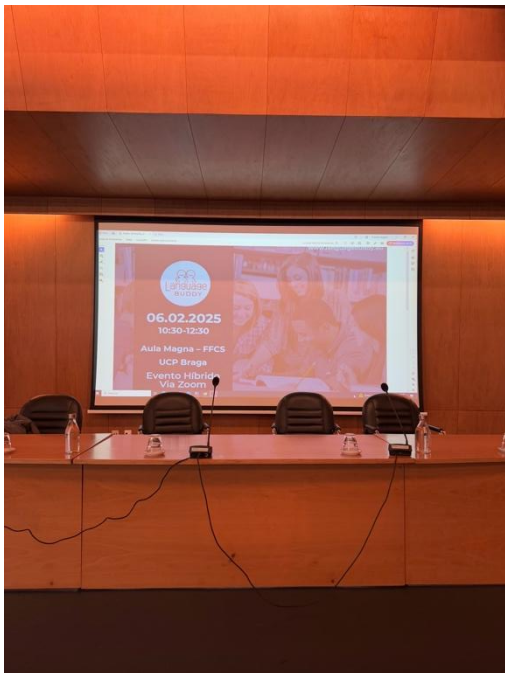
- Diretor Prof. Dr. Bruno Nobre FFCS, UCP Braga;
- Pró-reitor Prof. Dr. Paulo Dias FFCS, UCP Braga;
- Dra. Isabel Vieira, Casa do Professor;
- Prof. Dra. Catarina Vieira da Silva, FFCS, UCP Braga;
- Dr. Raúl Manarte, Psicólogo - Médicos Sem Fronteiras;
- Dr. António Soares Direito, Chefe de Divisão de Coesão Social e Solidariedade do Município de Braga;
- Dra. Paula Oliveira, Vereadora da Ação Social do Município de Guimarães;
- Prof. Dra. Inês Espada Vieira CEEC-FCH, UCP;
- Dra. Raquel Rodrigues, FFCS, UCP Braga;
- Prof. Dr. Manuel Antunes da Cunha, FFCS, UCP Braga;
- Prof. Dr. Cândido Oliveira Martins, FFCS, UCP Braga.

The reflective, dialogical and interactive event also took place in a hybrid format (via Zoom) and was attended by more than 100 participants!

Several students have already expressed their interest in taking part in this mentor training programme, but anyone who is interested has until 14 February to sign up, just go to the following link: <https://forms.gle/qXvkpvbBH86wNw9>

The FFCS team remains committed to continuously developing its research work in favour of interculturality, inclusion and welcome, so if you would like to know more about this project, please get in touch with our Portuguese team:

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