



## Press Release

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Advenio eAcademy, in collaboration with consortium partners under the EU-funded Language Buddy Project (AMIF-2023-TF2-AG-CALL), successfully completed the implementation of the Language Buddy Online Course as part of Work Package 3 – Establishment of the Language Buddy System in Higher Education Institutions (HEIs).

The online training programme was designed and developed by the consortium partners to equip higher education students with mentoring, intercultural communication, and language support skills to assist migrant and youths in their integration journey. The online course was delivered through the eLearning platform - Open Learning which was coordinated by Advenio eAcademy. The course featured eight subject modules, combining theory, reflective activities, and forum sections to promote peer collaboration.

In Malta, there were more than thirty course registrations and these students participated in the first national intake coordinated by Advenio eAcademy. The participants represented a diverse cohort, aged 18–52, with backgrounds in journalism, social work, business, digital media, and logistics. Their multicultural profile included students from Malta, Nigeria, India, Ghana, Kenya, Syria, Colombia, Mexico, and Bangladesh all of whom currently live in Malta. This reflects on the project's inclusivity. A good number of 15 students have completed the required elements for course completion. A certificate of completion was issued to these students to show that they have completed the AMIF Language Buddy Online Training Course.

Feedback from participants was very positive:

- 87% of students agreed the course met or exceeded their expectations.
- 100% found the content interesting and educational.
- 93% rated the eLearning platform as user-friendly and easy to navigate.
- All respondents reported satisfaction with the responsiveness and professionalism of the national coordination team, Advenio eAcademy.

Participants praised the course for its practical relevance and intercultural focus, noting that it expanded their awareness of global communication and mentoring. Suggestions for improvement included the addition of occasional live sessions and further streamlining of course materials.

National facilitators Mr. Derek D'Amato and Mr. James Scerri led the online tutorial sessions,



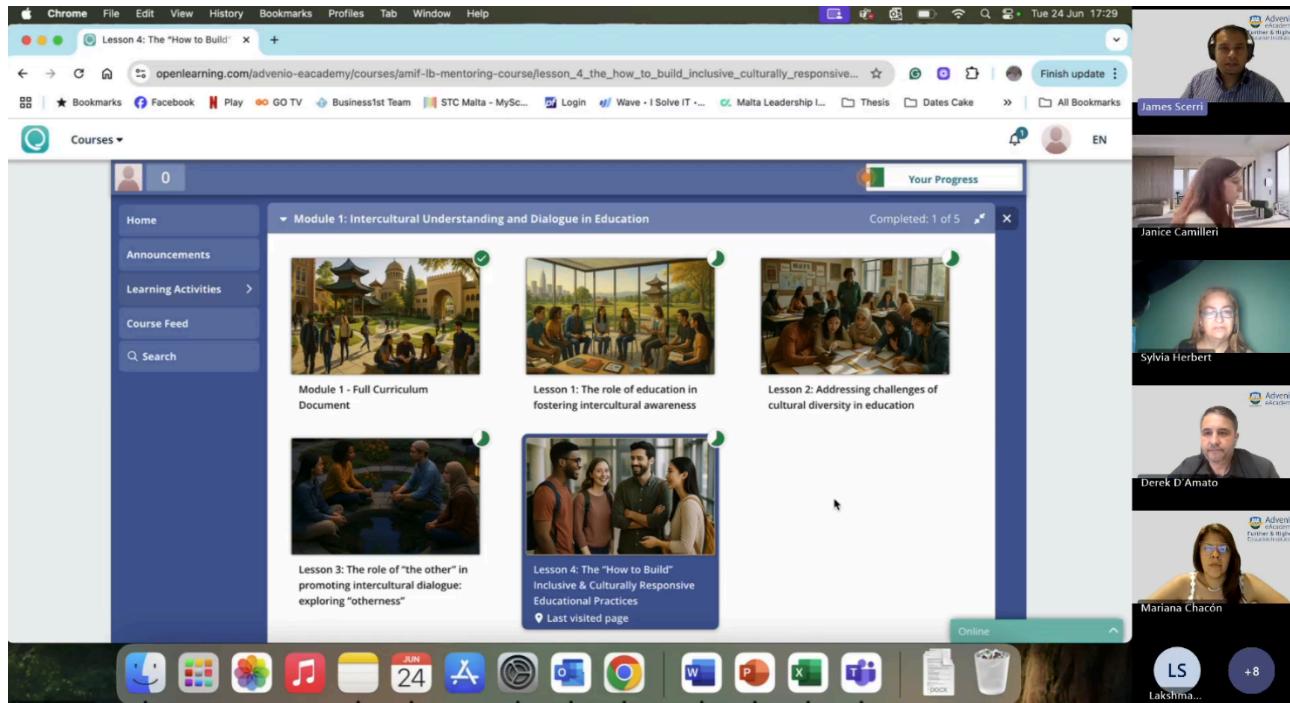
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ensuring students received academic and technical support throughout. The training concluded with students earning their Language Buddy Certificates, preparing them to mentor young migrants in the next phase of the Language Buddy project.

The screenshot below was taken during the first online tutorial session which took place in June 2025. The session was led by Mr. Derek D'Amato and Mr. James Scerri from Advenio eAcademy.



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