

# AGENDA

## DIGITALIZING SCHOOLS/ SELFIE KICK-OFF MEETING IN ALBANIA

LOCATION : HERMAN GMEINER IT SCHOOL TIRANA, RRUGA  
“HERMANN GMEINER”, FSHATI SOS, SAUK, TIRANA

13 NOVEMBER 2019

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### SUMMARY

Albania has recently taken some initiatives to support the development of digital skills and foster the use of digital technologies in education and training including, for example, the Albanian Digital Agenda 2015–20 that points to the *‘integration of the use of ICTs in contemporary teaching and learning, where all actors, such as teachers, parents, students, policy makers and service providers, play specific roles in the creation of e-education spaces’*.

In this context and in line with the co-operation framework agreed between Albania and the European Training Foundation<sup>1</sup> (ETF) for 2019, the aim of this event is to launch a SELFIE<sup>2</sup> pilot in a number of schools in Albania.

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<sup>1</sup> European Training Foundation (ETF) - <https://www.etf.europa.eu>

<sup>2</sup> Self-reflection on Effective Learning by Fostering the use of Innovative Educational Technologies (SELFIE) - [https://ec.europa.eu/education/schools-go-digital/about-selfie\\_en](https://ec.europa.eu/education/schools-go-digital/about-selfie_en)

SELFIE<sup>3</sup> is a tool developed by the Joint Research Centre of the European Commission<sup>4</sup> that aims to support the innovative use of digital technologies in teaching and learning in primary, secondary general and vocational schools, and digital competences of learners.

SELFIE guides schools in a self-reflection process involving school leaders, teachers and students on how they could integrate and effectively use digital technologies for teaching, learning and student assessments. The SELFIE questionnaire explores six areas, namely leadership, infrastructure and equipment, continuing professional development, teaching and learning, assessment practices and the digital competence of students. Results are collected in a paper-free, interactive report.

At system level, SELFIE offers, through anonymous, aggregated data, an overview of the digital readiness of the school system in Albania.

The EU SELFIE project in Albania is coordinated by Ms. Ornela Koleka (e-mail: [Ornela.Koleka@arsimi.gov.al](mailto:Ornela.Koleka@arsimi.gov.al) – primary and secondary general education) and Ms. Ejvis Gishti (e-mail: [Ejvis.Gishti@akafp.gov.al](mailto:Ejvis.Gishti@akafp.gov.al) – VET) with the support of the Joint Research Centre (JRC - European Commission) and the European Training Foundation.

The objectives of the workshop are:

- Launching a SELFIE pilot in Albania, involving a total of 12 primary, secondary general and vocational schools selected by the Ministry of Education, Sports and Youth and the Ministry of Finance and Economy/ NAVETQ, respectively;
- Enabling the IT coordinators or other suitable professionals of pilot schools to coordinate the SELFIE process incl. filling out the questionnaires.

This event and the subsequent results of the SELFIE pilot will inform the Ministry of Education, Sports and Youth and the Ministry of Finance and Economy/ NAVETQ on the further steps with a possible system-wide adoption of SELFIE and towards the digitalization of schools in Albania.

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<sup>3</sup> SELFIE stands for Self-reflection on Effective Learning by Fostering the use of Innovative Educational technologies - [https://ec.europa.eu/education/schools-go-digital/about-selfie\\_en](https://ec.europa.eu/education/schools-go-digital/about-selfie_en)

<sup>4</sup> Joint Research Centre (JRC): <https://ec.europa.eu/jrc/en>

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Timing	Session
09:30 – 10:00	<b>Registration of participants</b>
10:00 – 10:30	<b>Welcome and opening</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Hedio Gjoni, Director, Hermann Gmeiner IT school Tirana</li><li>- Alessandra Frontoni, EU Delegation</li><li>- Panagiotis KAMPYLIS, SELFIE Project Manager, Joint Research Centre</li><li>- Alessandro Brolopito, Senior Specialist on Digital Skills and Learning, ETF</li></ul>
10:30 – 10:45	<b>Digitalising schools and the EU SELFIE project</b> <p>Alessandro Brolopito, Senior Specialist on Digital Skills and Learning, ETF</p>
10:45 – 11:45	<b>Training for SELFIE School Coordinators</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- How to register my school;</li><li>- How to set up SELFIE for my school;</li><li>- How to run SELFIE;</li><li>- How to create and use the SELFIE school report</li></ul> <p>Panagiotis KAMPYLIS, SELFIE Project Manager, JRC</p>
11:45 – 12:00	<b>Coffee break</b>
12:00 – 13:00	<b>Hands-on Training Session</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Registration of the school and first login;</li><li>- Getting started with SELFIE</li></ul>
13:00 – 13:30	<b>Q&amp;A Session</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Which actions did you find challenging in SELFIE?</li><li>- How should the national network of SELFIE school coordinators work?</li></ul>
13:30 – 13:45	<b>Conclusions and What Next</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Ornella Koleka, National SELFIE Coordinator, Ministry of Education, Sports and Youth</li><li>- Ejvis Gishti, National SELFIE Coordinator, NAVETQ Director</li><li>- Panagiotis KAMPYLIS, SELFIE project Manager, JRC</li><li>- Alessandro Brolopito, Senior Specialist on Digital Skills and Learning, ETF</li></ul>
14:00	<b>Lunch</b>