



ONLINE CONFERENCE VIA ZOOM FIT4EU? — TEACHER PROFESSIONALISATION FOR CIVIC EDUCATION ABOUT THE EU FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 28, 2025

The **Jean Monnet project 'Fit4EU — Teacher Trainings for a Target Group-Specific Civic Education on the European Union'** (<https://fit4eu.org/en>) has been running since January 2023.

The project aims to qualify teachers from different schools and levels, from primary to secondary, for civic education on the European Union in a scientifically grounded, student-centred, and methodologically diverse way. A multi-modular training programme comprising four different strands, each targeting a specific group of participants, has been developed, implemented in two cycles, and systematically evaluated. Participants have deepened and updated their knowledge of European integration and examined the goals and principles of civic education in and on Europe. They have also learnt about various methodological approaches and didactic formats for teaching about the EU.

The English language **pre-conference** of the final conference at Goethe University Frankfurt will take

place **online via Zoom** on **November 28, 2025**. The project's core results will be presented alongside various presentations from research and practice. The programme will also include workshops on innovative teaching methods and a panel discussion.

This interdisciplinary conference provides a platform for dialogue between research and practice, offering an opportunity to share challenges, successful approaches and methods in the field of civic education on the European Union. The international conference is intended for academics, teachers from all levels of education, non-formal educators, students, policymakers, media professionals and other interested citizens.

Participation is free of charge. You can register via the Goethe Teachers Academy website **until November 26, 2025:**

<https://tinygu.de/Fit4EU-pre-conference>

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8:45 CHECK-IN

9:00 OPENING AND WELCOME
Prof. Dr. Monika Oberle Chair of Political Science and Civic Education,
head of the Fit4EU project (Goethe University Frankfurt, Germany)

9:15 KEYNOTES AND DISCUSSION

YOUNG CITIZENS IN EUROPE: AN OVERVIEW OF ICCS 2022 MAIN RESULTS
Prof. Valeria Damiani (Università LUMSA, Italy)

EDUCATING FOR EU CITIZENSHIP: THEORETICAL FOUNDATIONS AND PRACTICAL APPROACHES
Prof. Kris Grimonprez (KU Leuven, Belgium)

10:25 BIO BREAK

10:30 PARALLEL SESSIONS I: INNOVATIVE METHODS IN EU EDUCATION

**EU UP CLOSE: EXPERIENCE-BASED LEARNING ABOUT THE EU
THROUGH EXCURSIONS TO BRUSSELS**
Iris Weber (Lead and Lecturer, Odisee Brussels;
Civic Educator, v.f.h., Germany)

**JUMPER: A EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT SIMULATION GAME
FOR "HARD-TO-REACH" LEARNERS**
Team Fit4EU (Goethe University Frankfurt, Germany)

11:15 COFFEE BREAK

11:30 PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION

FIT4EU? KEY RESEARCH FINDINGS ON TEACHER TRAININGS FOR CIVIC EDUCATION ON THE EUROPEAN UNION
Lisa Beck-Vogt, Andrea Zeller, Prof. Dr. Monika Oberle (Goethe University Frankfurt, Germany)

12:30 LUNCH BREAK

13:30 PARALLEL SESSIONS II: LEARNINGS FROM JEAN MONNET PROJECTS

EMPOWERING TEACHERS FOR EUROPEAN CITIZENSHIP EDUCATION
Assoc. Prof. Emmanuelle Schön-Quinlivan
(University College Cork, Ireland)

EU GOES SCHOOL — TEACHERS AS EU-AMBASSADORS
Nils Preissner (LMU Munic, Germany/European Commission, Belgium)

14:20 COFFEE BREAK

14:35 CITIZENSHIP EDUCATION IN, ON AND FOR THE EUROPEAN UNION: CHALLENGES AND PERSPECTIVES
Panel discussion including Q&A

15:30 CLOSING REMARKS

15:45 END