CASE STUDY

INSTITUTING INCLUSION





Region: Europe (Ireland)

Project Name: European Inclusive Physical Education Training (EIPET)

The EIPET Programme, led by the Institute of Technology Tralee, Ireland, produced an Inclusion model, module and resource pack for use in Teacher Training Institutes to facilitate the training of inclusive physical education teachers. The programme equips teachers with the knowledge competence and skills to work with people with disabilities in inclusive school physical education settings. It achieved this through theoretical elements coupled with practical engagement with people with disabilities as part of the undergraduate training experience. The programme also incorporates an online version of the training programme, hard copy resources and guidance regarding incorporating the programme into undergraduate degree programmes.

The programme adopts a strengths based approach to inclusion.

Reach

Age

Number of partners

UTILIZED ACROSS EUROPE AND BEYOND* teachers students 4-18+



Impact

Physical education teachers develop self-efficacy in relation to their ability to include people with disability in their class

Physical education teachers become advocates for inclusion

Teacher Training Institutes recognized the importance of the practical sessions when learning to incorporate people with disabilities

Teacher Training Institutes recognized the need for a dedicated programme on inclusion alongside infusion across all subject areas

Children are included in physical education class with appropriate provisions pertaining to their functional ability

Special Needs Assistants/Care assistants wanted the programme modified for their needs to support children with disabilities in the physical education class

Allied professionals including physiotherapists and occupational therapists have requested modified versions of the programme to suit their needs and it is now available in In-service or CPD modes

Further details:

www.caraapacentre.ie/training-education/european-inclusive-physical-education-training-eipet/

The programme has been utilized across Europe and beyond in many teacher training Institutions.

It is currently available in English, Lithuanian, Czech, Spanish and Finnish