

The [EduFor Training Centre](#) is the training centre associated with the Schools of Nelas, Mangualde, Penalva do Castelo, Sátão and Vila Nova de Paiva, all of them in the District of Viseu in Portugal. We are acknowledged by the Portuguese Ministry of Education as a [Training Entity](#), registered under the number [CCPFC/ENT-AE-1225/14](#). Since 1993, we have gained great experience in organizing, managing and assessing training events covering diverse areas and training types, both face-to-face and distance learning.

We encourage good educational practices by participating in and designing training courses and pedagogical projects that integrate **Technology** in learning environments. Some references are [TRENDS](#); [Prof2000](#) and the [Inov@r.com QI](#)<sup>1</sup> project, whose results were presented at a European level at the "European Conference Educational Research 2007", at the University of Ghent, Belgium" and, of course, [Erasmus+ Projects](#). In the field of digital reading we lead the [Leituras em Linha](#)<sup>2</sup> project, co-financed by the [Calouste Gulbenkian Foundation](#). In the area of [eTwinning action](#), we are active, and one of our teachers/trainers is the coordinator of several winning projects - we highlight projects which were awarded the European Label for innovative projects and others with national and European eTwinning Quality.

We also have a history of success regarding **Special Education**, concerning inclusive classroom work. The EduFor main office is situated in one of the biggest school units in the district of Viseu which has a [Specialized Support Unit for Special Education Needs](#) (SEN). These students' needs are related, for example to multiple disabilities and congenital deaf blindness, and there is a unit for structured teaching in relation to autism. It is also a school of reference with its work on Early Intervention in infancy. We would also like to mention coordination of the [TODOS no Mundo Digit@l](#)<sup>3</sup> project and collaborating in the [Investir na Capacidade](#)<sup>4</sup> project (a project oriented towards [highly-gifted pupils](#), developed in one of the associated schools, in Nelas), etc.

**Finally, it should be noted, that EduFor:**

- in May 2016 inaugurated the first **Future Classroom Lab** in the Central Region of Portugal – [EduFor Innov@tive Classroom Lab](#). Follow: <https://www.facebook.com/ICL.EduFor>
- is the Coordinator of the Erasmus+ KA2 Project [Managing for @ School of Success](#) funded after achieving a national score of 93% in evaluation and involving school head teachers.
- is responsible for the distance learning component of the Erasmus+ KA2 Project [BIOTALENT](#).
- had one Erasmus+ KA1 project funded after achieving a score of 96% in evaluation, first place in the national ranking, and was considered an "[Erasmus+ Good Practice Example](#)".
- [Director](#) is invited to speak at education events.

**Localization:** EduFor has its main office at the [Felismina Alcântara School](#), [Mangualde](#), in the district of [Viseu](#), in Portugal ([Portugal - Best Tourist Destination in the World 2017](#)). It is situated approx. 90 minutes by car from the city of Porto ([Porto – European Best Destination 2017](#)), 50 minutes by car from [Coimbra](#) (well known for its [historic University](#)) and 60 minutes from the [Serra da Estrela](#) mountain range.



<sup>1</sup> [Innovate with Interactive Whiteboards](#)

<sup>2</sup> Reading Online

<sup>3</sup> ALL in the Digital World

<sup>4</sup> Invest in Capacity