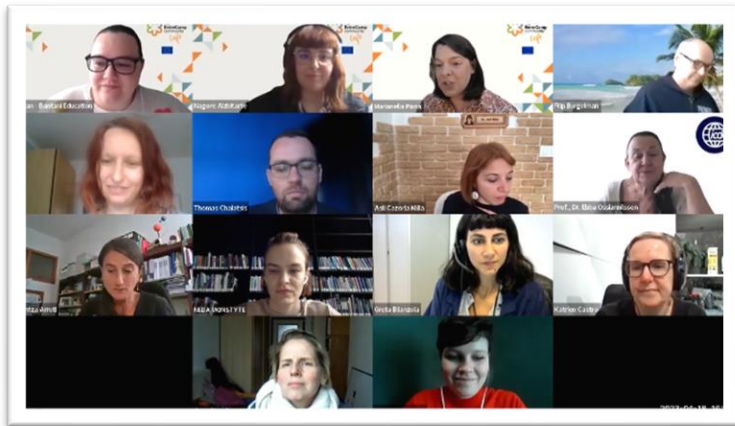


EntreComp Community Café Embracing Sustainability

18 April 2023

Thank you to everyone who joined us for this very special session of the EntreComp Community Café. We had a great time! Our Café family is growing, and it is wonderful to see how much we learn and share together every month!



This week the Café was led by Marianella Parra from [Bantani Education](#), and we talked about how to embrace sustainability. It was an honour to be among such amazing people that are part of wonderful projects which are helping to promote a more sustainable world. Don't miss the chance to get to know them by checking out the video below or find it in [The EntreComp Library](#).



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Marianella started the session by asking our participants which is the sustainability issue that worries them the most. Water shortage, plastic use, climate change, lack of water, lack of food, luxury industry and fast fashion, energy poverty... were some of the answers given.

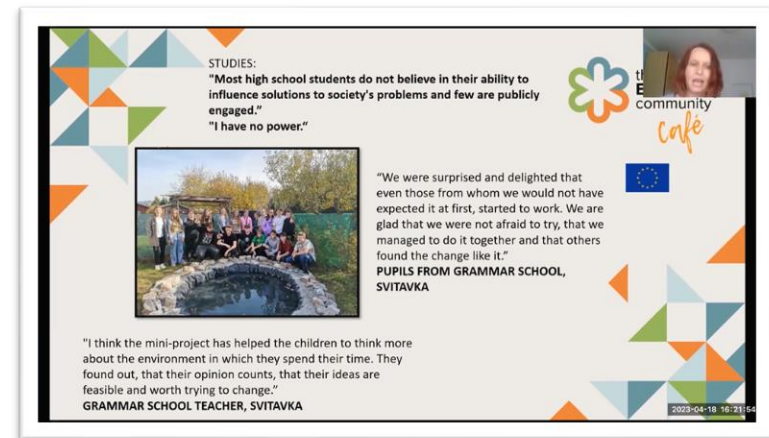
After seeing how we are all concerned for the future of our planet, Marianella explained to us why sustainability has 3 pillars: economy, environment and society. As she said, only when these 3 pillars converge, true sustainability can be achieved (yes! It's all about connecting the economy, our planet and the people). We saw how sustainability can be a goal, an objective, and for that, the [Sustainability Development Goals Agenda](#) can help us guide our actions.

We understand we can't wait for others to change things; we must prompt change individually and collectively. We also reflected on how sustainability can also be a competence that we can develop. That's why Marianella shared the [European Sustainability Competence Framework](#) with our participants.



Continuing with this session, our first speaker was introduced, Barbora Dvořáková from [Lipka](#). Lipka is an educational institution for environmental education and one of the oldest and largest organizations in the Czechia with this focus. Barbora shared with us some of the activities that they do with students and practitioners and talked about the need to connect sustainability and entrepreneurship. As Barbora said, lots of kids know about environmental problems but

they think that they don't have the power to change things; their work through projects can help them be entrepreneurs and understand that they can be that change they are looking for!



The session continued by presenting another great project: [Entrepreneurship4All](#). The project aims to increase the number of successful entrepreneurs in Europe through education and training. It targets entrepreneurs and would-be entrepreneurs by developing and delivering training, mentoring and coaching activities. One of the pillars is the Sustainable Development. [Thomas Chalatsis](#) from [iED-Institute of Entrepreneurship Development](#), explained us all about it and invited us to participate in this training. If you are interested in developing your sustainable competences visit the [Entrepreneurship4All](#) website and join these wonderful trainings.

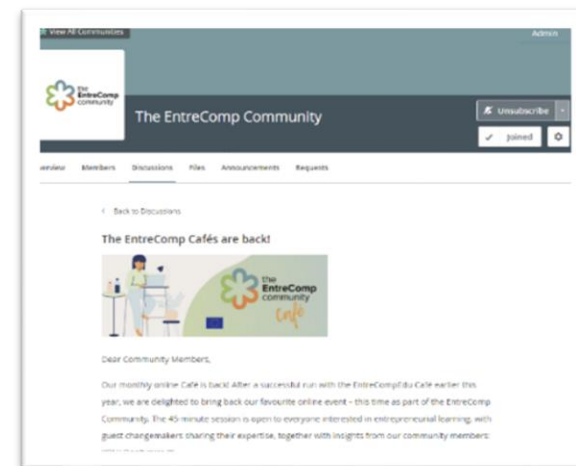
Marianella continued the session by introducing our last speaker [Filip Burguelman](#) from [Thomas More University](#). Filip shared with us an amazing initiative that they developed during the International Innovation Lab. He explained to us how they empower entrepreneurial competences directly connected to EntreComp by using specific problem-solving cases that are related to sustainability. This year's challenge was "Fashion Goes Green: Circular Business models in fashion". Watch the video of this session to dive into the results of this fantastic initiative!

After listening to our inspiring speakers, it was time to hear from the rest of our participants. Marianella shared a Jamboard activity in which participants shared cool sustainable ideas for a better future in our everyday life. You can see in the picture below that our participants had really nice ideas, but let's keep it in mind: It's not only about saying it, it's about actually doing it! Let's all copy each other in doing good!



It was wonderful to have the opportunity to get to know all these fascinating projects. We encourage you to join the [EntreComp Community](#) where an open [discussion](#) forum is available, and you can share more inspiring initiatives that are embracing sustainability! Join the [EntreComp Network for Green and Circular Economy](#) to learn about these and many other interesting initiatives!

Don't forget to register for the next sessions of the EntreComp Community Café, details are available on our [website](#).



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