

Facilitating intergenerational solidarity and learning through building friendship between youngsters and elderly

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Celebrating achievements and building futures

The BONDING project has come to an end, after two years of work, representatives of the 6 partner organisations have met in Bologna (Italy) on the occasion of the final project coordination meeting and the final conference.

During the meeting, the objectives achieved were positively evaluated and the partners discussed the possibility of collaborating in the future in order to give continuity to the project. The final conference, on the other hand, was held at the University of Bologna, and has allowed not only to present the results of the project to interested people but also to debate on topics such as loneliness and to share interesting intergenerational initiatives with the contribution of different guest speakers.



The Raising Awareness Toolkit

In previous editions of our newsletter we presented the Mapping the Befriending Netword report and the Youth Befriending Elderly online course. Today we present the last two results of the project: an awareness-raising kit and a digital platform.

The awareness-raising kit includes posters, infographics and videos that have been developed to raise awareness about befriending, how it works, its characteristics and its benefits. The materials developed are aimed at different target audiences: young people, seniors and the general public. We hope that they will be useful to promote this type of service and encourage intergenerational solidarity.





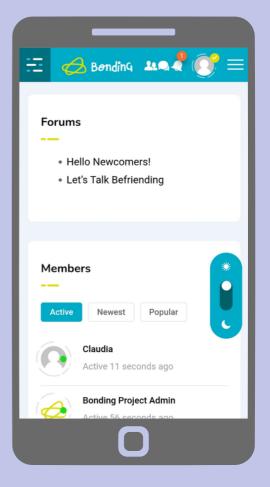




The Befriending Networking Platform

The project culminates in a user-friendly platform aimed at **connecting young people** interested in intergenerational relationships. This platform serves as a versatile space where users can expand networks, chat, share experiences, and learn together.

It includes a lively **forum** for discussions and a **blog**. Participants have their own **customizable space** to upload photos, videos, and files, allowing them to showcase their personality and interests while connecting with others. This platform simplifies **networking** by enabling users to create connections, start discussions, and form interest-based groups effortlessly.



Accessible through the **project website**, both the platform and the toolkit previously described offer valuable resources for young individuals looking to foster meaningful connections and explore intergenerational dynamics.





The project team













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