

Enhance Soft Skills to Nurture Competitiveness and Employability

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21st Century Skills (Critical Thinking, Collaboration, Communication, Creativity & Innovation, Self-Direction, Making Global Connections, Making Local Connections, Using Technology as a Tool for Learning) are crucial for quality of education and training. All educators, researchers and labour market are agreed about the importance of mentioned skills but there is a lack of teaching materials and methodology.

The specific objectives are;

- create concrete and innovative teaching materials and pedagogical model concerning teaching of 21st Century Skills for HE teaching staff,
- foster cooperation between labour market and HEI organizations.
- create an online learning platform in order to help development of 21st Century Skills for HEI organizations staff and students at the EU level.

Project website and online resource: https://www.catch21st.org/

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	However, after applying few filters to our research, we manage to collect a short sample of initiatives that are meaningful and coherent to our objectives. All information is extrapolated directly from the snapshot available on the platform.
References	Such a large sample of case studies represents both an opportunity and a challenge. An opportunity because we have plenty of case studies to report to readers' attention for further source of reference, a challenge because it increases the complexity in selecting those that might be relevant to the actual impact radius of ESSENCE.
	https://ec.europa.eu/programmes/erasmus-plus/projects/eplus-project-details/#project/2019-1-TR01-KA203-074482 As of today, there is an impressive number of EU co-financed projects labelled under the keyword "Critical Thinking". For instance, results from the E+ project results' platform lists nearly 6.900 international projects.