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## What is **BI-NEW** about?

The main goal of the project **BI-NEW** – **"Building Inclusion through New Learning Methodology"** is to strengthen the educational paths of educators and trainers, bringing innovation to the current teaching methods and tools by developing an integrated innovative learning methodology that ensures active and creative learning, visualized by a special tool (Abacus) by means of psychosocial activities that will lead to development of creative thinking, concentration and photographic memory.

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In 2016 the European Commission has adopted a New Skills Agenda for Europe which aims to ensure that people develop a broad set of hard and soft skills from early on in life, necessary for the jobs of today and tomorrow. While hard skills are clearly defined and measured, soft skills will be essential to boost employability, competitiveness and growth across the EU. It is worth pointing that the new school curricula put challenges to both students and teachers. The teachers are not well empowered with new knowledge and skills how to respond to the new requirements and the students face difficulties in achieving them. That is why it is of crucial importance to seek new ways of teaching and innovative methods for making education attractive, accessible, understandable and inclusive. This will reduce the rate of ESL and will better prepare the students for the labour market.

# Looking for an innovative approach for solving the above mentioned problems a partnership was created:



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#### In the frame of the project the following results are expected:

Creation of Methodology for Mental Arithmetic - will include the methodological support and guidelines for trainers of using Abacus as a tool for mental arithmetic, to facilitate intellectual development of students which will result in students' encouragement and motivation.

Repository with exercises, tools and evaluation materials for mental arithmetic - will contain several key elements – set of methods, box with materials, set of instructions.

Abacus Portal with Generator of Exercises - core function will be to create (generate) practically unlimited variety of exercises in real-time. Will perform a multi-layer storage of results so that the users will be able to get advantage of the exercises and not only practice to fulfill their free time.

### A Kick of meeting (Sofia, Bulgaria) gave the start of the project. On the 8th and 9th of October,

the Kick of Meeting of the project **BI-NEW** - took place in Sofia, Bulgaria.

The meeting has given the partners the occasion to present their organisations, discussing about the tasks and their distribution among partners. Furthermore, partners have been trained on the use of Admin Project, the platform which is used for the management of the project tasks, results and activities. Important topic of discussion has also been the dissemination plan for the proper recognition, demonstration and implementation of the project's results. The project's results will be disseminated extensively through a wide range of tools and dissemination activities, in order to assure the efficient impact of the project's results on the society.



This is the partnership of the BI - NEW project that will work to develop the next phases related to the Menthal Arithmetic.

#### Stay tuned!

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## To know more about the project