PARENTS INTERNATIONAL

WHO WE ARE

Parents International (Stichting IPA) is established with the mission of supporting parents around the world to become game-changers by helping their children to grow up happy and healthy 21st century citizens. By becoming the best parents of our children, we can ensure the future of not only our children, but also the well-being of mankind. The UN Convention the Rights of the Child, the piece of legislation that establishes the rights and duties of parents for the best interest of their children, has been ratified globally, in all countries except the USA. European parents have 30 years of experience working for protecting the rights of their children by joining forces in a European organisation.

Global challenges, as well as local ones that may be faced knowing answers from other localities call for a wider cooperation among parents from all over the world. This is the





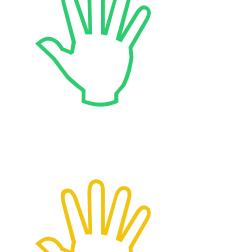
reason why this foundation is calling working with experienced parents' representatives (active and formal) and professionals, including teachers, social workers, researchers, psychologists, teacher trainers, economists, students, policy makers, youth workers, etc. who are interested in supporting parents, in a global parents' alliance that works for the best interest and well-being of children all over the world especially by



supporting parents to become the best educators of their children; increasing parental involvement in all forms of education, with special focus on formal education, for thinking and acting together for education suitable for 21st century children in the post-PISA period;

fighting illiteracy, promoting reading;

working towards equal opportunities for girls and women, education of girls and mothers;

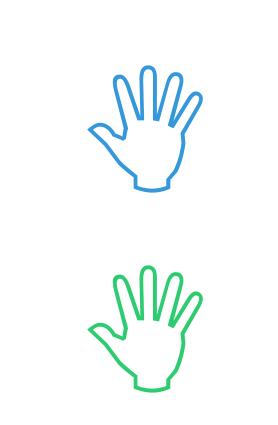


- supporting parents in becoming the main advocates of the rights of the child; demanding that the right to mother tongue and mother culture, even for migrants is granted;
- supporting to raise digital literacy levels and thus and living in the digital age; providing for empowerment for active citizenship and participation; fighting xenophobia, hate speech, exclusion, supporting inclusion for a peaceful future

WHAT WE DO

Stichting IPA (Parents International) serves the public interest by:

- Connecting parents and their associations on a global scale;
 Providing an international market place where parents can meet;
 Establishing a pool of experienced professionals, practitioners, trainers and researchers
 - to support parenting development and child participation;



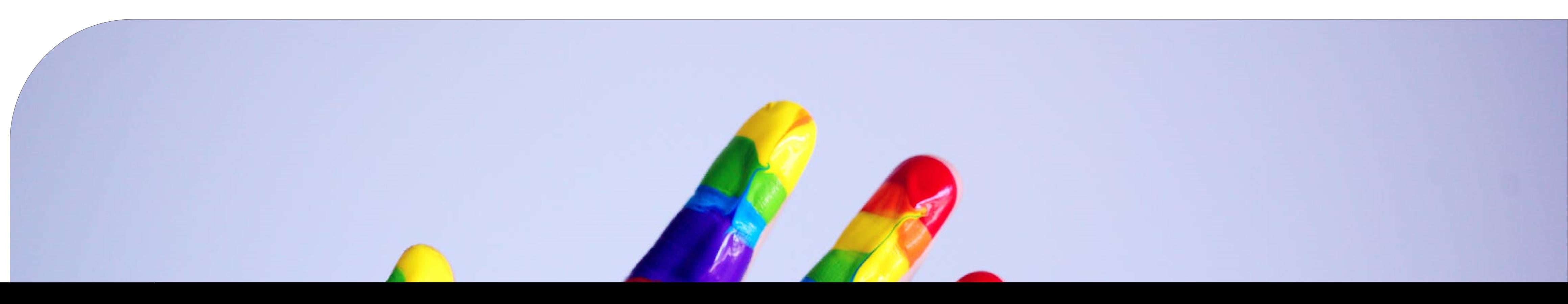


Our (new) partnerships and planned projects are currently in the following fields:



To achieve these objects, Stichting IPA (Parents International) among other things:

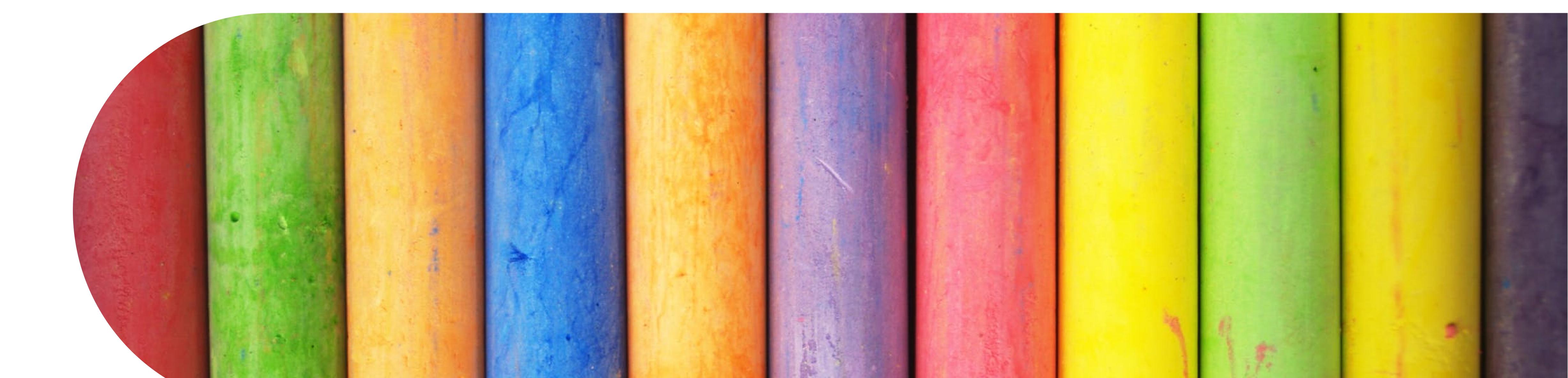
- Offers examples of good practice to increase parents' involvement in education
 Works on stimulating, initiating, supporting and conducting research and development;
 Stimulates, initiates, supports and executes projects and publications relating to its goals and aims;
- Provides materials, activities and training that help improve and professionalise the skills of parents' associations.



European Literacy and Citizenship

TARGET AUDIENCE

Based on the whole school approach teachers, parents and school students should work in the same group, complemented by the participation of non-teaching staff, school heads and local politicians.





LEARNING OBJECTIVES

- increasing knowledge about basic history, geography and the EU how we arrived to the here and now
- developing democracy practice and knowledge about fundamental rights and duties
- broadening entre/intrapreneurship, Lifelong learning and intercultural knowledge
- developing intercultural communication skills (different SES, culture, beliefs, etc.)
- developing ICT practice with special focus on social media

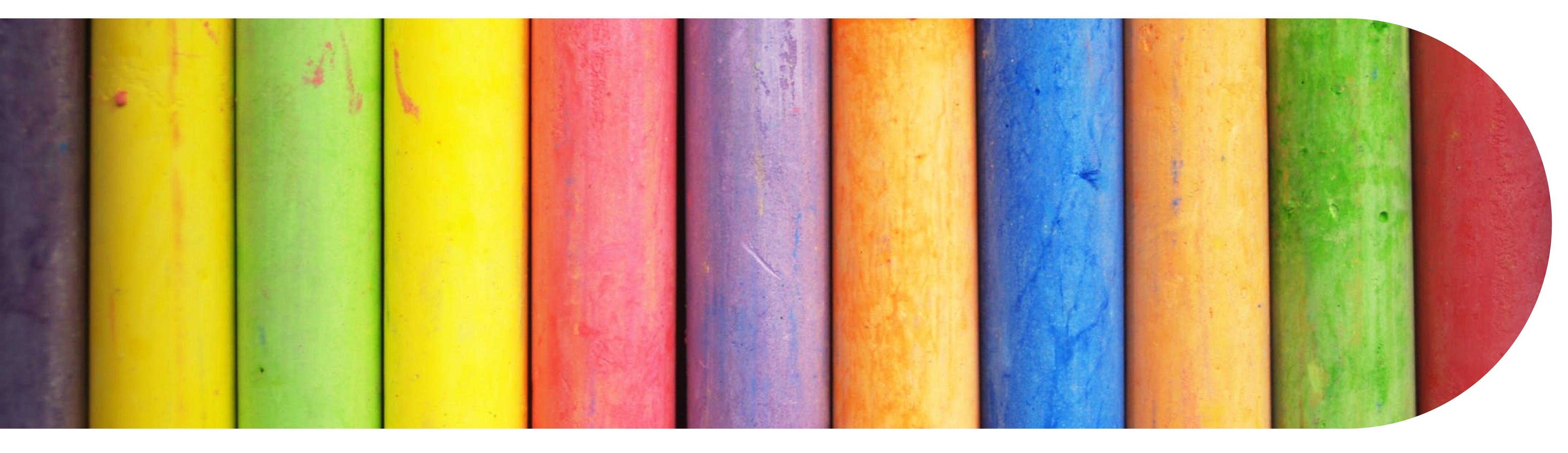
AIMS OF THE COURSE

- developing knowledge about active citizenship and European democracy and skills for active, participative European citizens
- raising awareness of the importance of participation in democratic processes and about
- European democracy and skills development around that can support the democratic



operation of schools and families

- helping schools and families in raising children of the present to become active European citizens of the future
- building mutual respect and mutual learning



PROGRAMME OF THE TRAINING ACTIVITIES

EXPECTED LEARNING OUTCOMES

- higher level of knowledge about the operation of institutions national and European
- being able to live in a democratic way in your own environment, especially the family and school
- raising awareness of the European, national and local democracy
- innovative approach to education and life
- valuing knowledge learnt informally and non-formally
- increased employability
- increased openness and respect for otherness resulting in better cooperation
- increased awareness of the digital age, its advantages and threats