

Wi-Mi: OPEN Wide minds will find eco-virtual steam solutions towards climate change

Webinars



Location: Vienna, Austria

The Austrian team of the WiMi project successfully hosted interactive and didactic webinars under the title ***“Teaching Climate Change with Impact: Inclusion, Innovation & Interactivity”***, designed to equip educators with dynamic tools and inclusive strategies to address climate change in education.

Core Topics Covered

Teaching Climate Change

- Best practices for integrating climate education
- Tailoring content to local communities
- Interdisciplinary approaches in science, social studies, and the arts

Inclusion in Climate Action

- Strategies to involve disadvantaged students in Community Science Projects (CSPs)
- Techniques to engage parents and broader communities in environmental education

Digital Transformation & Awareness

- Exploring tools and resources to teach climate change digitally
- Promoting environmental awareness through digital storytelling and platforms

Service Learning & Leadership

- Utilizing service learning to connect students to real-world environmental issues
- Empowering youth as resilient, informed leaders for climate justice

Interactive Methods Used

✓ Live Polls & Quizzes

Real-time feedback helped track knowledge retention and challenge assumptions.

✓ Group Brainstorming Sessions

Participants collaborated in breakout rooms to generate actionable ideas for their classrooms.

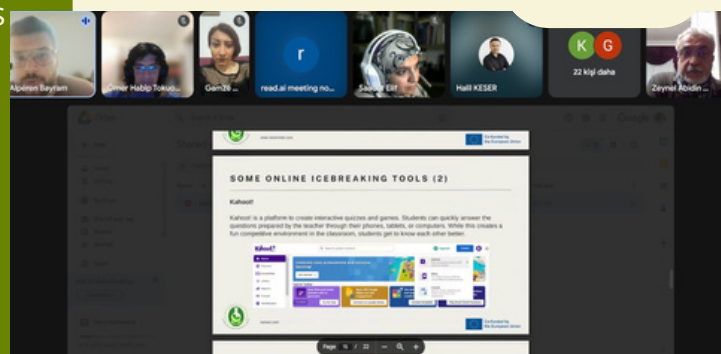
✓ Role-Playing Scenarios

Educators simulated conversations with skeptical stakeholders—students, parents, or policymakers—to practice climate advocacy.

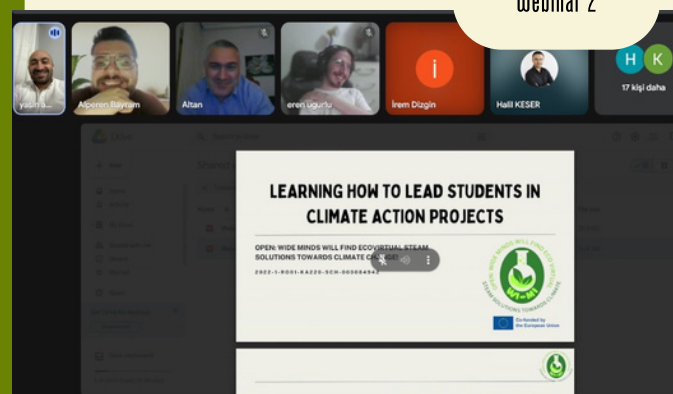
✓ Guest Speakers & Panel Discussions

Experts shared field experiences on using STEAM and digital tools in low-resource school settings.

Webinar 1



Webinar 2



Participant Engagement

The webinars were attended by educators from various regions. Feedback was overwhelmingly positive, with many participants citing the interactive format, diverse perspectives, and practical tools as the most valuable components.

Key Outcomes

- Participants gained concrete lesson plans and tools to assess student understanding
- New CSPs are being drafted collaboratively between schools
- Parents and communities are being actively invited into the sustainability conversation
- Follow-up mentoring sessions are planned to support project implementation