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## **Dialogic interaction for enhancing digital citizenship: Building on-line educational debates with students on Twitter**

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### **About the workshop:**

The traditional education system was mainly built around the idea of gathering students and collecting content-knowledge resources, to create a defined, formal learning situation. Now, in a hyper-connected world, schools will become obsolete if they don't adapt to global learning processes, in both formal and informal environments.

Schools need virtual learning spaces that promote interaction and common understanding, in situations that help re-skill educators and life-long learners. Education must face digital citizenship, essential to learn, work, and live together in an increasingly virtualized world.

In this workshop, presenters provide a practical example of DIALOGIC INTERACTION FOR ENHANCING DIGITAL CITIZENSHIP that has been active during the last 3 years: the #XaTac5 Project. It was the first weekly virtual chat in Spain that facilitates open debates among educators, students, and families on digital education.

Our project started in 2015, coordinated by a team of Valencian and Catalan teachers. It is a self-managed structured conversation on Twitter, where participants learn together in emerging communities of interest, curated by the avatar @Xatac\_5. Conversations are promoted with guided questions, on one topic at a time, every Wednesday from 20h to 21h CET. Participants access the sessions with the hashtag #Xatac5.

During this Workshop:

We will develop an online real-time Educational Chat, following the inquiry methodology we use at #Xatac5 project.

-We will encourage participation with explicit open questions to select a relevant topic. We will get into argumentative thinking to promote Dialogic Interaction in an increasingly challenging sequence of ideas, following Bloom's Taxonomy.

-We'll help participants to provide added value to their ideas with links to evidence, and will assess professional development with explicit indicators.

-Final take-aways will include practical skills for transmedia participation in digital environments, and communication awareness of how to learn in a global world, developing digital networking and virtual citizenship.

### **Meet the presenters:**

**Angeles Soriano Sánchez** (Àngels Soriano) is co-coordinator of the #Xatac5 and has been recognized as TeachSDGs Ambassador by TeachSDGs.org for promoting SDGs in education. She is a 'Microsoft Innovative Educator' since 2014, and a 'Microsoft Innovative Educator Fellow' in 2017 and 2018. She was invited expert at 'Global Forum' (Barcelona 2014) and Fellow Teacher at 'E2 Education Exchange' (Toronto 2017). She is passionate about education, and participates as trainer coordinator, expert adviser and evaluator in different associations to promote ICT in Education. She currently works as Language teacher at Martí Sorolla II (València, Spain)

**Maria Nieves Lorenzo** (Neus Lorenzo) is co-coordinator of the #Xatac5 Project and works at the Education Inspectorate in Catalonia, Spain. She currently teaches at the Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona (UAB) and is also Chair of the Primary and Pre-primary 'Research and Development Community' of the Association for Teacher Education in Europe (ATEE). She is cofounder of the Transformation Society, which promotes digital transformation and organizational learning, and has collaborated as training consultant, coordinator or expert evaluator for the Education Commission of the European Parliament, the Council of Europe, Pestalozzi Programmes, Erasmus +, Anna Lindh Foundation, Jaume Bofill Foundation Telefónica Foundation.