



THESE ARE EUROPE'S BEST CODING PROJECTS

Berlin, 11.05.2021: At the European Code League final, 10 teams of teachers and students will show their innovative coding projects. The final will be held virtually on 28 May 2021.

Being able to code is becoming a more and more important skill - especially for students. How can teachers incorporate this topic not only in computer science lessons, but also in other STEM classes? Many teachers might be afraid of coding as they might have only little programming knowledge.

In order to motivate teachers to engage with this important topic, Science on Stage has launched the "European Code League" in cooperation with SAP.

For this competition we invited primary and secondary STEM teachers and students from all over Europe to get creative and present their innovative coding. Despite the pandemic and the resulting restrictions, we received dozens of fantastic applications.

An expert jury selected 10 teams to present their projects virtually at the final on 28 May. The contestants come from Hungary, Portugal, Romania, Belgium, Germany, Turkey, Greece and Croatia. Ranging from an app that warns of earthquakes, to a house that saves electricity, to a camera that makes bioluminescent fungi visible, there is an exciting selection of projects.

Stefanie Schlunk, Chair of Science on Stage Europe, states: "The participants all have been very creative, despite the difficult circumstances. Their commitment is an inspiration for all of us."

At the final, the winning team will be announced. They will win non-cash prizes and a trip to the European Science on Stage festival, taking place from 24-27 March 2022 in Prague.

At this three-day educational festival 450 teachers from over 30 countries will come together to present and exchange their innovative teaching ideas in a fair, in workshops and in short lectures.

The winning project will reach thousands of students throughout Europe.

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ABOUT SCIENCE ON STAGE EUROPE

Science on Stage Europe brings together science teachers from over 30 countries across Europe. They exchange best practice and teaching ideas and concepts with passionate colleagues. Science on Stage Europe believes that the best way to improve science teaching and to encourage more schoolchildren to consider a career in science or engineering is to motivate and inform their teachers. The non-profit organisation was founded in 2000 and reaches 100,000 teachers Europe-wide.

The main supporter of the network Science on Stage is the Federation of German Employers' Associations in the Metal and Electrical Engineering Industries (GESAMTMETALL) with its initiative think ING.

NOTES FOR THE MEDIA:

- more information on the competition: www.science-on-stage.eu/codeleague
- contact details of the teachers on demand
- the festival on Twitter: [#codeleague](https://twitter.com/codeleague)

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