

About the project



The Surefoot Effect from the UK, Dom Spain from Spain and Ziniu Kodas from Lithuania are developing an Erasmus+ 3-year long project with a focus on communicating solutions to energy issues and climate change at the local, European and national levels.

The project is divided into three parts: adapting the Carbon Conversations programme, successfully rolled-out in the UK over the last 7 years; documenting projects and personal actions that are saving energy and carbon emissions around Europe; and developing a programme to encourage individuals and organisations to replicate some of the stories available in the platform.

Editorial



The Surefoot Effect has been excited to kick start the 'A Tale of Two Futures' with its two partners organisations, Dom Spain from Spain and Ziniu Kodas from Lithuania. The three organisations have been busy working in training Carbon Conversations facilitators in Spain and Lithuania following the successful roll-out of the programme in the UK since 2009.

Both Dom Spain and Ziniu Kodas have also been working on the adaption of the programme materials to the economic, social, and cultural contexts of Spain and Lithuania. The 'A Tale of Two Futures' team has also been compiling the stories of people working in projects and companies that are saving energy and carbon emissions around Europe and also other industrialised countries around the world.

One project to highlight is the work by Didi Aaslund and Floor Nagler in Greece turning boats into backpacks. Didi and Floor are teaching refugees who arrive on the shores of the Greek Island of Lesbos to make backpacks from the same boats they used to cross the Mediterranean escaping conflict in Syria and other parts of the Middle East. They wanted to convert huge amounts of discarded material into something that people could use in their journey throughout Europe. We have been inspired by this project because its contribution to a more sustainable and just society and economy. By turning discarded boats and other materials into something useful, Didi and Floor are not only transforming waste into an economic asset, they are also providing people in very adverse conditions with skills.

To see more of this work, please visit this [video](#).

Environmental Actions

Know about existing projects around Europe and a few other industrialised countries such as the United States, Japan or New Zeland, that those saving carbon emissions in the areas of: home energy, food, transport, and consumption and waste.

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Events

Sustainability Education Project in Mostar



One of the project coordinators, Euri, visited United World College Mostar in March – April 2017 to help the school increase its sustainability profile. Euri run an energy-saving pilot project in one of three school residences. At Mejdan House, students learned to take small actions to save energy, such as controlling the temperature controls of washing machines and air conditioning systems. They also learned how to make a better use of the recycling facilities available.

Training of Facilitators in Reus



A training Tales2Futures took place in Reus (Spain) in May 2017. The attendees discussed topics such as planning for a low-carbon house; practical collective actions related to

sustainable homes; CO2 in the food (production, processing, packaging, transport); options for low-carbon travel, etc. The trainers, experts on the topic, used cooperative methods for sharing ideas and enhance participation.

Project 'Els Ganxets'

The school '**Els Ganxets**' from Reus (Spain) has participated in our project. These students have been learning that with small actions we can contribute to a better environment and, therefore, a better future for all.

Watch the video and see how we can all, from young to old, start making smart decisions and make a change!



Would you like to be part of it? *JOIN US!*

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