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**1st Feb 2021
6pm - 7pm
Focus on North
Macedonia**



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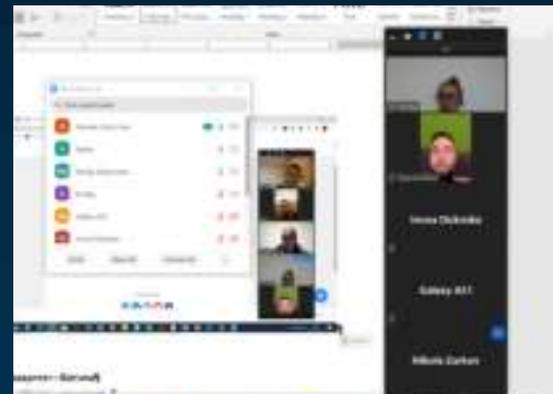
Before the pandemic ...

Strategy,
tactics,
operations,
innovation,
networking –
WBAA way





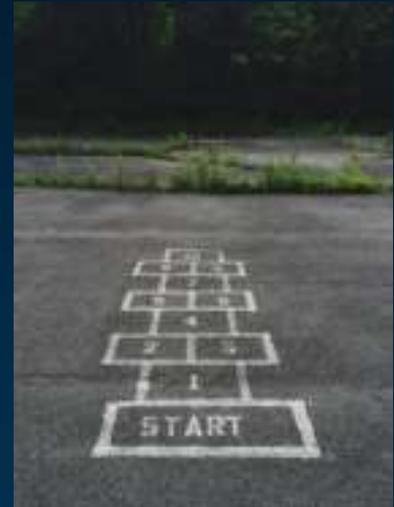
Due to the pandemic ...



Professors in diverse roles (Janet)

How school students can organise their time better

- School in shifts
- Take time off technology



Professors in diverse roles

The advantages and disadvantages of online learning

Disadvantages

- Inappropriate technology
- IT knowledge and skills
- Access to internet



- Staying in contact

- Motivation
- Cheating
- Shy on camera

Professors in diverse roles

The advantages and disadvantages of online learning

Advantages



- The development of technological skills
- Less hours in class
- A more comfortable learning environment
- Low cost



Professors in diverse roles (Renata)

Challenges and solutions >> **The professor's monologue with avatars?**



Are we ...
talking to the pillow?
to the grandma?
to the cat?
to the baby sister?

Professors in diverse roles

But

**we want to inspire, motivate, teach,
learn, create, challenge ...**

our students

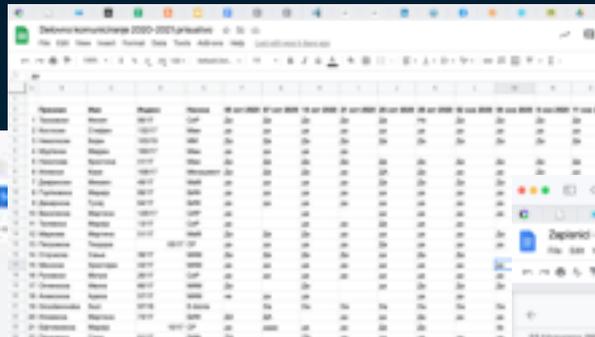
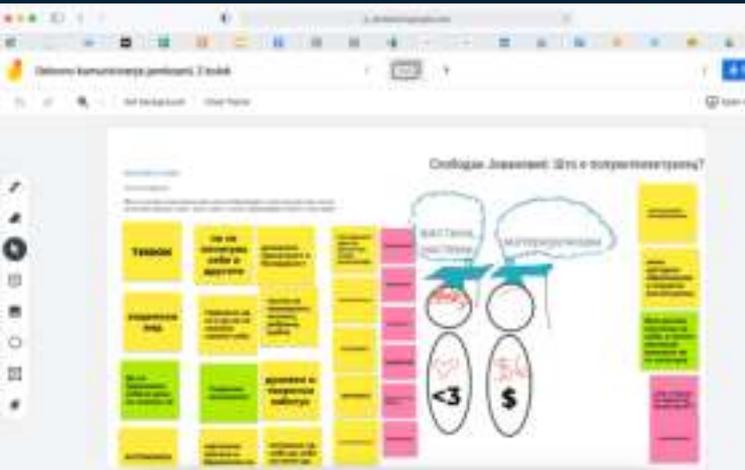


Professors in diverse roles

Challenges and solutions >>

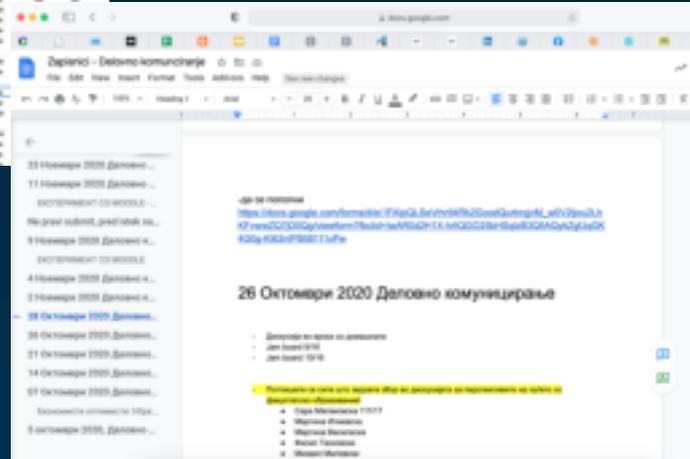
Student engagement during class

Jamboard



Ime	Prezime	Adresa	Telefon	Ime	Prezime	Adresa	Telefon	Ime	Prezime	Adresa	Telefon
...

Minutes



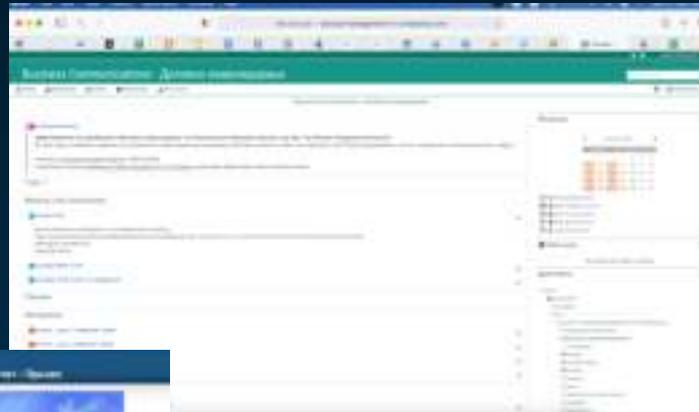
Self-registration



Professors in diverse roles

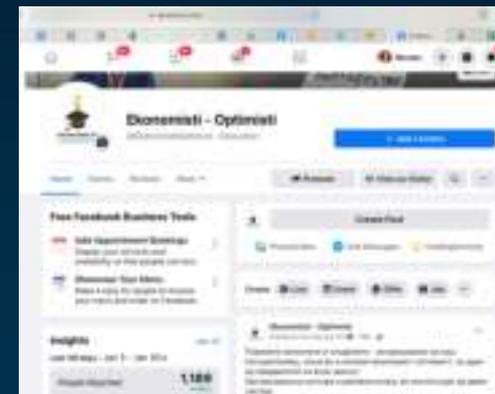
Challenges and solutions >> Student engagement after class

**Small projects, assignments, tasks
(individual & group)**

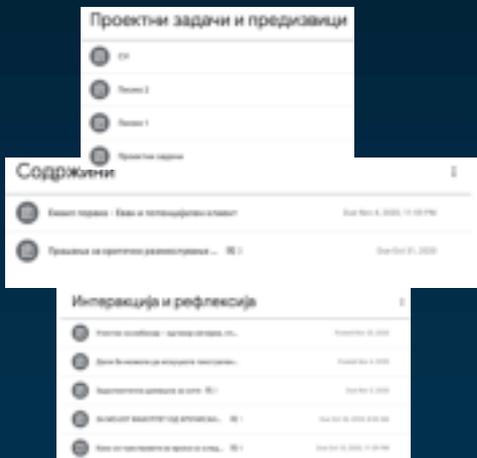


Show off ;-)

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**Diverse platforms
(learning by doing)**



Professors in diverse roles (Daniela)

3 Approaches

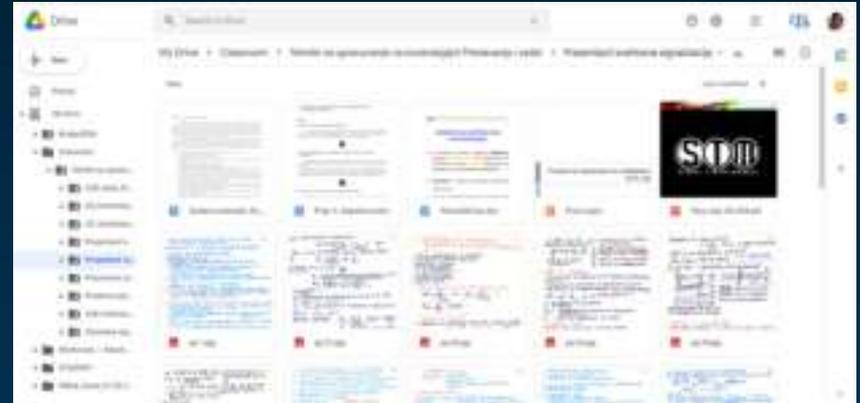
Embracing **V**irtual **L**earning



Virtual **O**ffice **H**ours

+

Innovation **M**ethods & **A**ssignments **S**hort



Professors in diverse roles

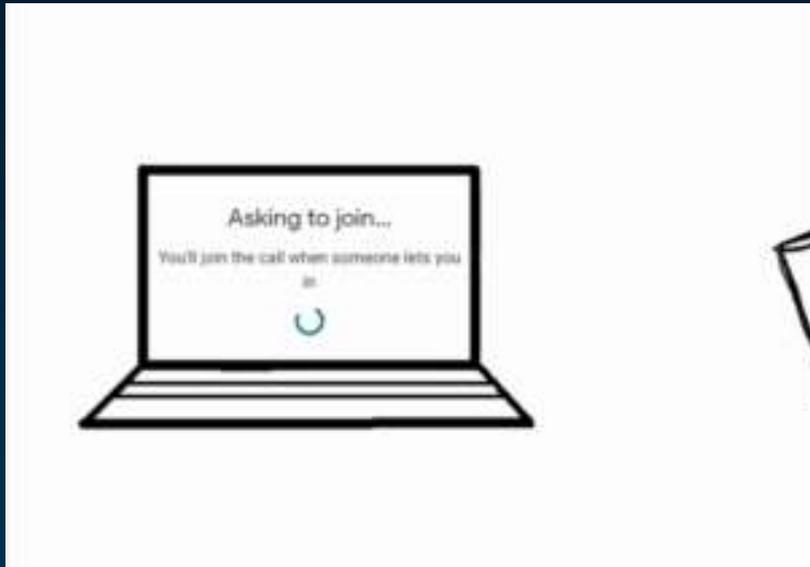
With simulation technologies
we can now design exercises
for remote or virtual labs

We should expect to
improve student learning?



University students roles and perspectives

Let an animation show one reality



University students roles and perspectives

Getting used to the new reality

- How everything changed in a blink of an eye
- How we surpassed the problems
- Working together leads to great achievements



Advantage of online learning

- Comfortable learning environment
- More concentrate on listening the professors
- Better time management
- Opportunity for multitasking
- Improving virtual communication and collaboration
- Improving technical skills





University students roles and perspectives

Disadvantages of online learning

- Reduced mobility
- Losing the face-to-face communication
- Lower motivation
- Increased stress and anxiety
- Losing the feeling of being a student
- No conditions



Ways to improve

- Encourage students to move
- Schedule online office hours
- Providing help to students who need it



University students roles and perspectives

Artists are creative and productive during the pandemic!



[Link to video of preparing for art exhibition](#)

High school students roles and perspectives



Anastasija

Coaching tips for high school physical education during the pandemics

Primary school pupils roles and perspectives

Sofija - activities during corona pandemic... drawing, reading books, learning from youtube



Ivana - "drinking coffee" with friends and discussing during corona pandemic...



Primary school pupils roles and perspectives

Marija - sport is an important team player in the fight against coronavirus - boosts our mood and helps our cognitive function



From the parent perspective?

Double role and productivity expectation?

Primary school pupils roles and perspectives

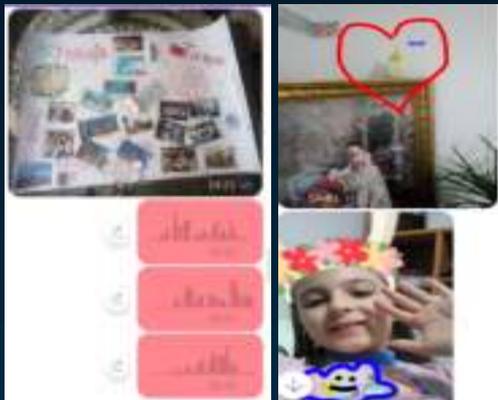
Volleyball with the Sun, singing, dancing, fantasy, ...



From the parent/friend/all-in-one perspective?

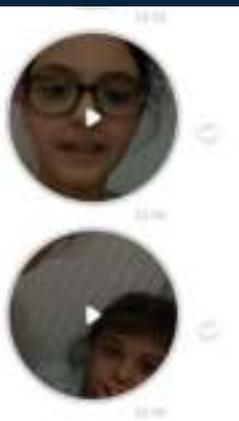
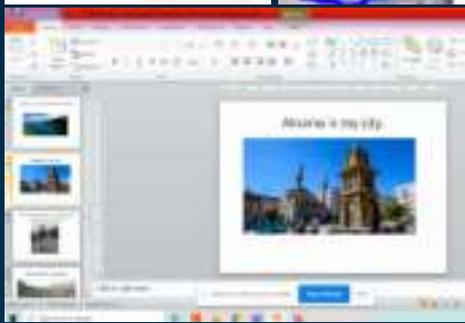
Primary school pupils roles and perspectives

It is possible to make new friends: Kübra from Turkey



Thank you dear teacher Janet! <3

Hi Kübra !!!



Seeing AUTUMN COLOURS through CORONA-GLASSES

This is my life!
I am packing my backpack
And going to my room
I sit like I'm at school.
Our first class is starting -
But nobody can hear me
I am nervous, I'm typing and screaming.

I am fighting with my Wi-Fi
Restarting my computer, router,
My folks at home,
Are lip-toting without laughter!

With strange glasses on our heads,
We have special friendships
But for playing this year
We are very anxious.

As I was born in Autumn,
My gifts have always been
with natural colour:
One look through the window
You'll see golden leaves,
Excited kids with pink cheeks,
In knitted berets and colourful sleeves.
The wind blows their hair as in the movies
Puffing with funny confusion
At the clouds, the leaves, the kids,
And the umbrellas with rainy illusion.

But this year is completely specific,
It is very pandemic,
We also have to mention -
Face-masks became our fashion.

There is corona in music,
But it's different, gives nice tone and beauty!

We are all very hopeful,
But still protected and careful,
Our beds are our trampolines now
Our birthdays are with grown-ups only, wow!

Kids would like to say,
Let's go to Pelister, have natural play,
And wish you from the heart:
May next year be full of love.

Nevela Neshkovska
4-ii, OJ Elpidia Karamandi Bitola
Mentor: Natasha Dimoska

ВОЗРАСТАТЕ БОМ НАС ОФИМА ОД КОРОНА-ПРОТОКОЛИ

Оваа вечер
како животот е стравен,
се ја земев чевката
и одев во димотот!
Споредите капа на училиштето,
какојка првпат час
како не се отвор
книжките, листовите, се скривани рат.
Се борам со интернетот,
рестартиравам компјутерот, рутерот,
додекашто не можам
да каже на форум!
Со чадор очите врз тастата
додекашто не можам
да каже на форум!
Можам да каже на форум!

Родена сум во есен,
па секогаш добивам
подарок од природата во есен:
кој ми дава бајрачето
на рол од златни и бајрачни лиса,
рекламни дечки со ружички обрчани,
определени бери-чед и шарени панталончиња.
Нивните се
на не ја земев
како во филмски сцени,
и абстрактно диме,
да мож облаците,
да мож лисага,
да мож листовите надворешно време.

Оваа година е различна,
вместо во природата,
додекашто не можам
да каже на форум!
Можам да каже на форум!

Во музиката има корона!
Но тие и постојат,
даже убави тоа на нешто,
и не можам да каже на форум!

Датите со надеж спадени,
како сонче очите од корона-протоколите носени,
на додекашто не можам
да каже на форум!
Можам да каже на форум!

Дашето искрено во подготвува
природата на Pelister па да се игра,
и нур се во природата
сподешето-порноа-пулсовите верува да не работ!

Nevela Neshkovska
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MORE



POSITIVE



NEWS



WE
STILL
HAVE
THE
SAME
OPPORTUNITY
FOR
HAPPINESS
THAT
WE
DID
BEFORE...

...WE ARE JUST BEING
ENCOURAGED TO LOOK

MY CHECK LIST FOR EVERY CLASS THIS YEAR

1. Keep them safe
2. Lower their anxiety about the current situation
3. Make them laugh
4. Make them feel loved
5. Teach them something

All in that order



Looking for the positive amid a
pandemic

On the bright side

About the panelists:

Daniela Koltovska Nechoska is an Associate professor at the Faculty of Technical Science, St. Kliment Ohridski University - Bitola. During her professional carrier, she received various international mobilities scholarships such as Erasmus Mundus External Cooperation Window - Basileus Project, Erasmus + staff mobilities for training, STSM - Cost actions, Ceepus mobilities, etc. She is/has been the principal investigator/researcher of several international and domestic research projects. She enjoys teaching at the graduate and undergraduate levels, as well as in other venues, such as summer schools and short courses, and also, she was organizer/co-organizer of various professional workshops for students, courses designed for soft skills development, etc. She is actively involved in the promotion of the Erasmus + students exchange at her faculty. On a personal note, she is honest, curious, persistent and open for new challenges and she is prepared to share her knowledge of use within WBAA activities. LinkedIn: <https://www.linkedin.com/in/daniela-koltovska-nechoska-32359972/>

Valentina Pavlova is a full professor at the Faculty of technology and technical sciences, Veles, University St. Kliment Ohridski Bitola, North Macedonia LinkedIn: <https://www.linkedin.com/in/valentina-pavlova-19614543/?originalSubdomain=mk>

Janet Taskovska an English language and literature teacher in the primary school 'Elpida Karamandi'-Bitola, an Erasmus Plus project coordinator who has 20 years teaching experience and has worked in both private and state schools. Teaching is her passion. She enjoys using various teaching methods and approaches to make learning English easy and fun, bringing the English-speaking countries and culture closer to her students.

Renata Petrevska Nechkoska - after completing double PhD degree in Business Economics from Ghent University Belgium (UGENT) with PhD in Management at University St. Kliment Ohridski Bitola, North Macedonia (UKLO), she currently works as: assistant professor at UKLO and postdoc at UGENT. Since 2015, she is also engaged as European Commission evaluator for projects in Horizon 2020. Before academia, she was a practitioner for almost a decade - a banker in international financial institution ProCredit Bank - with HQ in Frankfurt Germany, mostly on middle management positions - head of HR, branch manager, project coordinator, She is Ghent University alumni ambassador since 2015, Western Balkans Alumni Association Head of research team since 2019, Elsevier Advisory Panel member since 2015, Harvard CID PDIA Community of Practice Alumni since 2017, and during the pandemic, she was EUVsVirus project manager for academia and R&D partners and is now facilitating open innovation in science collaboration under the name of Academia diffusion experiment, with global scholars and practitioners. Co-evolution by bridging & bringing out the best in us is her trajectory for boarding. LinkedIn: <https://www.linkedin.com/in/renata-petrevska-nechkoska-4691362a/> and <http://tactical-management-in-complexity.com>

About the panelists:

Miki Janev

is a student at the Faculty of Technical Science in Bitola. He is an active member in the faculty's activities related to traffic engineering and management, safety and, environmental protection. The motivation quotes that he follows is "Push yourself because no one else is going to do it for you".

Kristina Nikolova

is a student at the Faculty of Economics in Prilep, and also an aspiring artist. Despite the difficulties that the pandemic created, including all of the cons, she finds big inspiration and creativity in these times. For her, art is the greatest form of expression. She said "If you want to see the beauty in the world, ask the person who was tried to paint it"

Mihail Divjakoski

is a student at the Faculty of Economics in Prilep, who gets himself involved in challenges, international mobility, student bodies and self-growth which contribute to mutual collaboration and improvement for all.

Sara Malakovska

Student at the Faculty of Economics, currently doing her second online Erasmus+ experience and working on improving her creativity by breaking patterns in order to look at things in a different way. She describes herself as well organized and hard-working student.



About the panelists:

Anastasija Nechoska

is a high school student at the SOU Gimnazija “Josip Broz Tito“ Bitola. She is actively involved in the various school projects related to environmental protection and she has participated in the YMCA camp for leadership.

Marija Nechoska

is a primary school student at the Elementary School St. “Kliment Ohridski“. Bitola. She is actively involved in the various school projects focused on environmental education related to sport. She has been an active member of the volleyball state champion team.

Sofija Angeleska

She is a third year primary school student at the Elementary School “Kire Gavriloski - Jane“ - Prilep. She is playing tennis and she like to learn foreign languages. At he leisure time she reads books and she likes to collect stickers.

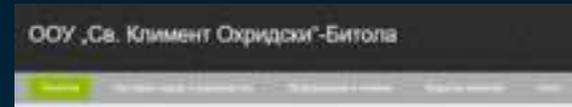
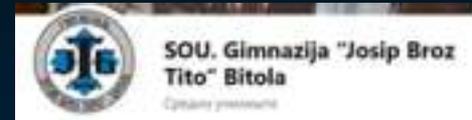
Ivana Angeleska

She is a final year primary school student at the Elementary School “Kire Gavriloski - Jane“ - Prilep. She is member of the school volleyball team and she actively learn Greek language. At her leisure time she reads books and hang out with her friends.

Noela Nechkoska

She is a primary school student at OU “Elpida Karamandi” Bitola, and state musical school DMU Bitola. Her childhood has evolved around learning, international travel and friends, exploring Brain-o-brain techniques, STEM academy concepts, as well as volleyball, do-it-yourself ideas. Currently, she pays huuge attention to aesthetics, singing and dancing,, while creativity and ingenuity are the traits her family is proud of. During the pandemic, she faced regular and disruptive challenges, overcoming them bravely with unconditional love and childhood purity of the heart.

Participating institutions





Thank you and take care!
Greetings from North Macedonia & Western Balkans



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