

Foreign words in the Italian language: trends or threats?



- Thematic framework: Education
- Geographical outreach: National
- Types of project: Awareness-raising
- Beneficiary country: Italy
- Main responsible:
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Summary of the activities

Goal of this project is to monitor the changes in the language currently spoken by Italian young people (10 to 15 years) due to introduction of foreign words or phrases.

The project will involve 10 to 20 teachers of Italian language: they will invite their pupils to fill up individually a form containing a set of questions about their perception of foreign words embedded in the Italian language:

- Which foreign words do you know as used in every-day Italian conversation?
- Do you know Italian words with the same or similar meaning?
- Which is the rationale for selecting a foreign expression?
- In your opinion, an extensive usage of foreign words will, in a longer time framework, enrich or endanger the Italian language?

The results of this overview will be made available to teachers, university faculties and Italian cultural institutions.

Main partners

- Comitato Nazionale di Difesa delle Lingue e delle Culture "Allarme Lingua"
- Federazione Esperantista Italiana
- ILEI (Lega Internazionale degli Insegnanti Esperantisti) - Sezione Italiana

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