

SUPERSCHOOLS 2.0

ABOUT THE PROJECT

The “**Western Balkans School Exchange Scheme**” for the 2024–2026 period, titled Superschools 2.0 (second project phase), is a regional secondary school exchange program that aims to *support peacebuilding and reconciliation processes* in the Western Balkans through school-to-school partnerships. These Superschools partnerships are formed between two secondary schools from different RYCO Contracting Parties. The partnerships work together to ensure the successful design and implementation of Superschools projects.

A central part of each Superschools project is the Superschools *youth exchange*, with each partner organizing one youth exchange in their local community. Therefore, there are two youth exchanges per partnership. Superschools youth exchanges are short-term learning mobilities for young people, accompanied by staff members representing the participating secondary schools.

The goal is to offer opportunities for regional cooperation and the development of intercultural competencies, which *serve as a foundation for reconciliation and peacebuilding* efforts in the region.

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OBJECTIVES

The ultimate goal is to create a sustainable, user-friendly, efficient, impact-oriented and regionally recognizable scheme for secondary school exchanges that will contribute to reconciliation efforts in the Western Balkans region. The program will support **300 teachers** from **180 secondary schools** in developing intercultural competencies and organizing 180 youth exchanges in their communities, benefiting **2,600 young people**.

OUTCOMES

With Superschools 2.0, we seek to continue the collaboration with relevant government institutions and bodies mandated with education and in charge of working with high schools in order to facilitate enabling environments for the implementation of school exchange projects. We aim to improve the validation of teachers' learning outcomes and recognition of the value of the Superschools program.

THE TARGET GROUP

We anticipate reaching out to **2600 young people** who will take part in Superschools exchanges with an additional **3600 young people** taking part in local outreach activities. The exchanges and the local outreach activities will be organized by **360 teachers** from **180 schools** supported by RYCO.

BUDGET AND DURATION OF THE PROJECT

Superschools 2.0 started in April 2024 and will run for **30 months**, concluding in September 2026. The project budget is **3.000.000,00 EUR**.

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