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● F.A.C.T.S. Project Trains Future Trainers

The F.A.C.T.S. project successfully held its Learning, Teaching and Training Activities (LTTA) online on 13-14 October, bringing together professionals from six partner organisations.

Organised by PLOES E.Psy.Me., CADIAI and Tukena, the LTTA focused on preparing trainers to use the project's educational materials and video series.

These resources strengthen knowledge on the challenges neurodivergent individuals face in their emotional and sexual lives.

Two professionals from each participating organisation—PLOES E.Psy.Me. (Greece), CADIAI (Italy), Tukena (Finland), Centre de la Gabrielle (France), ICSS (Bulgaria), and Prisms (Malta)—took part. Each participant will now train 6-8 professionals within their organisation, expanding the project's impact across Europe.



Pictured:
One of the slides presented during the LTTA

● F.A.C.T.S. Project Holds Online Transnational Partner Meeting

The F.A.C.T.S. project partners convened online on 6–7 October 2025 for a two-day Transnational Partner Meeting, originally planned to take place in Claye-Souilly, France. Due to a nationwide transportation strike, the meeting was shifted to a virtual format.

The first day included updates on translations of the training videos and a discussion on the learning objectives and agenda of the online LTTA. The day concluded with practical guidance on the assessment procedure. On the second day, discussions centred on the pilot training and addressing certification details. Lastly, the partners received updates on how the project results will be disseminated.

● New Certification Programme Strengthens Training for Professionals

The F.A.C.T.S. project has launched a specialised certification programme designed to equip professionals with the skills needed to train others and to effectively support autistic individuals in matters of sexual wellbeing. The process adheres to the ISO/IEC 17024:2012 standard, which means it is based on a transparent, consistent, and internationally aligned evaluation.



The certification is delivered entirely online through written exams with live invigilation, hosted on the CyCert LMS platform. Candidates follow three simple steps: create an account on the [platform](#), enrol in the F.A.C.T.S. certification course, and complete the exam to demonstrate their understanding of the material.

So far, 14 professionals have successfully achieved certification, earning the title "Trainer for Autistic Individuals – Sexual Wellbeing: Sexual & Gender Identity". The next assessment session is scheduled for 28 November 2025, offering more professionals the opportunity to join this growing network of trained specialists.



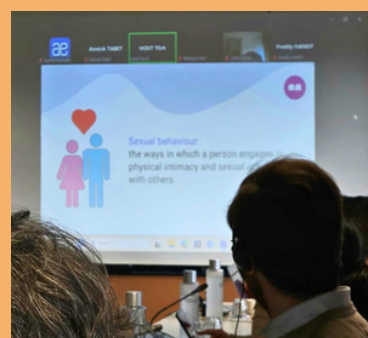
● Fact or Myth?

Misunderstandings about autism remain common, often shaping how autistic people are viewed and supported. Our new "Fact or Myth" campaign tackles these misconceptions by highlighting clear, evidence-based information. Join us in challenging stereotypes and promoting greater understanding and inclusion. Discover the facts behind the visuals on our social media channels.

● Multiplier event

On 14 November, the F.A.C.T.S. project was presented to a roomful of representatives of autism organisations from all over Europe during a conference in Brussels. The presentation introduced the project's core principles, while highlighting the need for clearer, evidence-based guidance in supporting autistic people in matters of sexuality.

David Eaton, from Autism-Europe, also outlined the project's key outputs, including training materials, a professional guide, an online platform, and the six educational videos. Attendees learned how the project strengthens professional practice across multiple countries.



Attendees watching the presentation at the Brussels multiplier event