







shared memories and dialogues

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#### What is SHARMED

Erasmus Plus project, Key action 3 (G.A. n. 2015 - 3009 / 001 — 001, support for policy reform; call European Forward Cooperation Projects).

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## The partnership

**Coordination:** University of Modena and Reggio Emilia (Department of Studies on Language and Culture)

#### **Partners:**

- University of Suffolk (UK)
- Friederich Schiller University, Jena (Germany)











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# **Objectives**

Promoting new experiences of teaching and learning

With specific consideration for respect of cultural differences and enhancement of intercultural dialogue

- Fostering equity in participants' contributions to classroom interaction
- Enhancing **empowerment and recognition** of children's contributions.











#### Core

- Production and collection of children's and their families' photographs about their memories
- Facilitation of description, comparison and sharing of narratives about the photographs, through dialogic communication.
- Provision of opportunities for **children's choice** of visual materials and **narrative** of their meanings.











# **Further Objectives**

- 1. Application of facilitative methodology and use of visual materials in different areas of teaching and learning.
- 2. Development of connections in the school (among teachers) and between schools and their contexts (external experts and families).
- 3. Reflection on assumptions and tendencies, opening up and questioning them, with the possibility of imagining new tendencies.











#### **Innovation**

- 1. Promotion of children's agency in constructing knowledge (narratives) and learning processes.
- 2. Enhancement of facilitative methodology.
- 3. Development of the classroom experience through adoption of visual materials.











### **Target**

- (1) Children (8-11) both with Migrant-background and without it
- (1)Children's families
- (2) Teachers

The classrooms participating in the project have been identified accordingly of the rate of migrant-background children.











# Activities (2016)

- Presentation in schools (principals, teachers, parents, children)
- Collection of a background questionnaire (children and parents)
- Presentation of the results and preparation of the activities in schools
- Training for teachers and facilitators (online and meeting)











# Activities (2017)

- Collection and production of photographs
- Workshops in schools
- Pre-test and post-test questionnaires and focus groups with children
- Presentation of results from questionnaires in schools











#### **Activities: Data**

- 64 teachers and facilitators participating in the training
- 1374 photos (collected or taken)
- 144 Workshops in 20 schools and 48 classes
- 987 children involved (687 primary schools, 300 secondary schools)
- 1004 parents responding to the background questionnaire











#### **Evaluation**

- Video-recording of workshops: analysis of facilitation
- Pre-test and pots-test: comparison to understand effects
- Questionnaires and focus groups with children + interviews with teachers and facilitators: observations and level of satisfaction











#### Final outcomes

- Training package and Massive Online Open Course (MOOC)
- Guidelines for SHARMED-like projects
- Evaluation Package for SHARMED-like projects
- Archive with photos, texts and videos
- Book including a selection of photographs and texts
- Policy Briefs
- Final report











## Impact at European Level

- Knowledge and recommendations about education policies.
- Knowledge for educational institutions: (a) perceptions and expectations of children and families; (b) advantages and limitations of facilitative methodologies.
- Outcomes for teaching, training, evaluation.
- Involvement of teachers in reflection around facilitation and dialogue.
- Development of methods and opportunities for universities, schools and policy makers to work together.











# Focus of this presentation

- Use of photography
- Narratives
- Facilitation











#### PHOTOGRAPHY and MEMORY

What is the importance of children's past in their present social life?

Past can be shaped in present social life, in particular in the form of memory.











# Learned Memory vs. Personal Memory Hierarchical vs. Dialogic

A way to give meaning to children's past is the use of images that evoke it.











#### **PHOTOGRAPHY and MEMORY**

Memory as a narrative linked to the present and to the interaction that develops within school classrooms starting from private photographs.

Memory can be defined as the narrative that allows the building of a picture of the past and through this process the development of identity.











#### **Narratives**

Social constructions, in which the reality is interpreted and 'storied' (Fischer 1987; Somers 1994).

Construction of narratives in social interactions (Norrick 2007):

- It does not only concern contents, but also, and above all, the rights of narrating.
- Each participant can contribute to constructing and negotiating a narrative.











#### **Facilitation**

- Range of actions of co-telling and/or support to telling
- Complex chain of telling, co-telling and comments producing different types of narratives.
- Promotion of children's active participation and children's perspectives and experiences (narratives)











# Use of photographs can facilitate children's participation by inviting them:

- 1. To describe image and content of photos.
- 2. To describe how photos were taken (when, by whom, in which context).
- 3. To describe photos as objects.
- 4. To describe why photos were chosen.
- 5. To express feelings and emotions about photos.
- 6. To develop narratives beyond photos.











# Use of photographs can facilitate children's sharing of narrative by inviting them:

- 1. To link similar or different narratives.
- 2. To link similar or different photos.
- 3. To link a photo with emotions and feelings.
- 4. To link the story about a photo with more general narratives.
- 5. To provide free associations about a photo.





















01. FAC: **chi sono queste due persone? ((indicando la foto))**Who are those two persons? ((pointing at the photo))

02. F7: mia madre e mio e mio zio

My mother and my and my uncle

03. FAC: **tua mamma, tuo zio e questa qui sei tu?** *Your mother, your uncle and that one here are you?* 

04. F7: ((nods))

05. FAC: vediamo se trovo una foto che gli assomiglia eh? ((sfoglia le foto sul banco)) hai ragione non ci sono (.) ma questa foto quando è stata fatta?

Let's see if I find a photo that looks like this eh? ((browses the photos on the desk)) you're right there are not (.) but when was this photo taken?

06. F7: quando avevo: cinque anni When I was: five years old

07. FAC: avevi cinque anni? were you five years old?

08. F7: sì *Yes* 











09. FAC: e come mai eravate in questa situazione? Cos'è una tenda? Una: Cos'era questo questo luogo che cos'è?

And why were you in that situation? What is this a tent? A: what was that place what is this?

10. F7: la Nigeria *Nigeria* 

11. FAC: è in Nigeria *It's in Nigeria* 

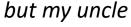
12. F7: ((nods))

13. FAC: ma: la fotografia per quale motivo era stata fatta? Perché vedo che avete degli abiti articolari tutti uguali che cosa raccontaci che cosa significa

But: for what reason was the photo taken? Because I see that you have the same special dresses what tell us what does it mean

14. F7: eh che: siamo uniti, cosa che non è vera perché quello non è mio padre ma è mio zio

eh that: we are united, which is not true because that is not my father













15. F7: e: (.) mettendo i vestiti con lo stesso tessuto

e: (.) wearing dresses made of the same tissue

16. FAC: **sì** 

Yes

17. F7: sembra che siamo tutt'uno

It seems that we are one

18. FAC: ah l'idea di avere lo stesso abito lo stesso: tessuto è l'unione

Ah the idea that you have the same dress the same: tissue it's union

19. F7: ((nods))

20. FAC: e e che cosa ricordi di questa fotografia?

And and what do you remember about this photo?

21. F7: che era il matrimonio di mia madre

That it was my mum's wedding

22. FAC: il matrimonio di mia mamma

My mum's wedding











23. M2: con tuo pa[dre?

With your fa[ther?

24. FAC: [che si è

[who is

25. F7: con mio zio

With my uncle

26. FAC: che si è sposata con tuo zio

Who married your uncle

27. F7: sìhh

yeshh











41. FAC: sì perché tuo papà dove si trovava?

Yes because where was your dad?

42. F7: in Italia

In Italy

43. FAC: ah: eh questo non ce l'avevi detto voi eravate ancora in Nige- Niger o Nigeria?

Ah eh you didn't tell us you were still in Nige- Niger or Ningeria?

44. F7: Nigeria

45. FAC: in Nigeria

46. F7: ((nods))

47. FAC: e il papà era venuto in Italia

And your dad had came to Italy

48. F7: ((nods))

49. FAC: e come mai era venuto qua? Per cercare lavoro?

And why did he came here? To search a job?

50. F7: sì

Yes

51. FAC: e sai dove abitava?

And do you know where did he live?











52. F7: a Sassuolo

In Sassuolo

53. FAC: a Sassuolo ok e il matrimonio tra tuo papà e la tua mamma si è svolto senza che ci fosse il tuo papà

in Sassuolo ok and the wedding between your dad and your mum took place without your dad

54. F7: ((annuisce)) però c'è qualcuno che ha preso il suo posto ((nods)) but there was someone who took his place

55. FAC: quindi ((indica la foto)) e era al posto di tuo padre non è che si è sposata con tuo zio

So ((points at the photo)) e he took your father's place she didn't marry your uncle

56. F7: no

57. FAC: c'era bisogno di una figura maschile

They needed a male figure

58. F7: ((nods))











63. FAC: **e come te lo ricordi quel: matrimonio?** *And how do you remember that: wedding?* 

64. F7: che tutti lanciavano dei soldi ((mima il gesto)) ahh

That everyone was throwing money ((mimics)) ahh

65. FAC: **lanciavano dei soldi?** were they throwing money?

66. F7: ((annuisce)) ai miei genitori e questi soldi loro li potevano usare ((nods)) to my parents and they could use those money

67. FAC: **sì** *Yes* 

68. F7: per avere un futuro *To have a future* 

69. FAC: quindi li potevano accumulare per il futuro per [fare delle cose belle So they could collect it for the furure to [make beautiful things

70. F7: [((nods))





















01. FAC: ma ne avete parlato e cosa che idea vi siete f[atti?

But did you talk about it and what did you think about [it?

02. **M3:** [e: noi abbiamo tipo parlato della nostra: diciamo esperienza con i nonni [e: we talked about our: let's say experience with grandparents

03. FAC: **ah ecco**Ah ok

04. M3: tipo sono uscite delle: *like something emerged:* 

05. FAC: **eh perché non ci raccontate** *eh why don't you tell us* 

06. M3: ah ok ((guarda F7)) sempre io? Tipo io ho raccontato che tengo più ai miei nonni paterni, che ai miei nonni materni, ah ok ((looks at F7)) always me? I told that I care more about my paternal grandparents, than about my maternal grandparents,

07. FAC: perché c'è un legame più: because theres' a relationship more:

08. M3: sì solo che loro sono giù e allora

Yes but they are down ((in the Southern part of Italy)) so











09. FAC: perché c'è [distanza

Because there's [a distance

10. M3: [non ho sì sono [dista-

[I dind't yes they are [dista-

11. FAC: [dove vivono? In Puglia?

[where do they live? In Puglia ((region))?

12. M3: Puglia e:

Puqila and:

13. FAC: e invece gli altri vivono qui a Modena?

And what about the others they live here in Modena?

14. M3: sì a Modena

Yes in Modena

15. FAC: quindi li vedi più spesso

So you see them more frequently

16. M3: beh sì anche se non è che ogni giorno sto con loro

Well yes even if I don't stay with them everyday

17. FAC: non ho capito

I dind't understand

18. M3: non sto tutti i giorni con loro

I don't stay with them everyday











19. FAC: **ah ecco** 

Ah ok

20. M3: ((looks at F7))

e: io invece e: da quando cioè da undici anni fa e: sono sempre stata con i miei nonni materni quindi comunque non è che gli voglio più bene però sono più attaccata se devo dire una cosa la dico a loro e: che è poi quella che mi ha messo il pelouche in testa, and: instead I e: since eleven years ago e: I was always with my maternal grandparents so I don't love them more but I care more about them if I have something to tell I tell it to them e: that is the one who put the teddy bear over my head

22. FAC: **sì** 

Yes

23. F7: e invece quegli altri che vengono da ((città del sud)), e: hanno: comunque sì li vedo e li ho visti per un periodo un po' più lungo ultimamente perché mio padre ha perso ha perso il lavoro e: i miei hanno divorziato quindi è stato a casa su da loro And the others that come from ((city in the south)), e: they have: I see them and I saw them for a longer period recently because my father lost lost his job and: my parents divorced so he went to their home











24. FAC: ho capito quindi (.) vivono qua anche loro ade[sso

I understand so (.) they live here as well n[ow

25. F7: [sì vivono a ((paese))

[yes they live in ((place))

26. **M9:** io invece sono più legato ai nonni materni perché praticamente sono cresciuto con loro ogni giorno vado a casa s- a casa con loro a mangiare, e: invece con quelli paterni che è mor- e: son morti tutti e due una cioè la nonna è morta prima che io nascessi nel duemila e uno, e il nonno invece è morto quest'estate ad agosto Instead I care more about maternal grandparents because basically I grew up with them everyday I go to their ho- home with them to eat, and: instead with the paternal ones that are d- e: they are both dead one, that is my grandmother died before I was born in two thousand one, and the grandfather died last summer in august

27. M7: (?)

28. **F1:** no io invece avevo un rapporto più ravvicinato con i genitori di mio padre (.) perché quelli di mia mamma sono di giù e li vedo soltanto quando vado a Natale, a Pasqua: e: nelle vacanze estive No instead I had a closer relationship with my fathers' parents (.) because my mother's ones come from down and I see them only when I go there on Christmas, Easter and: during summer holidays



#### **Next steps**

- Presentation of the SHARMED archive (Luisa Conti and Mathilde Berhault)
- Presentation of the SHARMED training (Federico Farini and Angela Scollan)

Tomorrow morning Chiara Ballestri will show you some data about the evaluation of SHARMED







