


## Ufficio Scolastico Regionale Per La Toscana

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**Type of organisation:**

SME     School     University     Public Authority   
 Training     No Profit     NGO

Other (Specify)

**Fields of action :**

SMEs  Youth  Universities  Public Authorities   
Equal opportunities  Schools  Unemployed

Other (Specify)

**Description of the organisation**

Ufficio Scolastico Regionale of Tuscany Region is a joint regional body within the Ministry of Education, University and Research. It mainly works as link between the Ministry and the autonomous schools (more than 600 schools subdivided into preschool, primary and secondary schools). Ufficio Scolastico Regionale controls and monitors the achievement of educational objectives promoted by the Ministry of Education, University and Research. Ufficio Scolastico Regionale promotes and disseminates regional educational policies addressed to students.

**Experience of the organization in previous European projects**

Ufficio Scolastico Regionale already participated in the project "Digital Natives 4 democracy" funded by the Comenius Regio Programme. The project aimed at increasing formal and informal educational settings education for active citizenship. The overall goal was to develop and implement methodologies to systematically support educational institutions in the realization of educational and educational courses related to themes like democracy, participation and sustainability. Within this project, Ufficio Scolastico Regionale promoted educational innovation through the use of new technologies.

Ufficio Scolastico Regionale is currently participating in the project "Robotics Opportunities (to foster) STEM Education ROSE"(Erasmus+, Key Action 2) to be completed in August 2017. The project has the general objective to enhance the use of robotics in kindergarten education and to encourage the dissemination of STEM.

A second KA2 project in which Ufficio Scolastico Regionale is partner (2015/2018) is the T.E.S.T. Project, in cooperation with University of Pisa. The project aims at supporting scientific and technological disciplines, enhancing a "learning by doing" approach.

Ufficio Scolastico Regionale is also coordinating two KA1 Staff project, the first called "Party-CIPATE" (2015/2017), aiming at promoting kindergarten teachers' training by the certification of their skills, the second called "Days" (2016/2018), to implement digital trainers preparation.

**Experience and Expertise of the organization in the project's subject area**

Ufficio Scolastico Regionale has previously collaborated with secondary education institutions and with University in various projects concerning inclusion, tolerance and understanding within school communities.

**Contributions that can be provided to the project**

The role of the Ufficio Scolastico Regionale staff in the project will be enhanced by the possibility of using the channels it developed in his careers, in order to involve teachers and to disseminate information about the current project and in order to involve also Policy makers to participate at Italian focus group.

### Contact Person's Experience and Expertise

**Laura Scoppetta**, headmaster. At USR Toscana she is in charge for the following topics: School policies supporting school autonomy – Cooperation with other schools at local, regional, national and international level.

**Daniela Cecchi**, secondary school teacher. She is responsible for promoting actions to support to the autonomy of educational institutions within Tuscany Region with reference to the sectors European dimension of education.

During the project They will could be helped by others teachers within Ufficio Scolastico Regionale.