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Welcome to EURO4SCIENCE!

Dear readers,

It is a pleasure to share with you the first issue of the EURO4SCIENCE Newsletter! Since the beginning of this project, we've taken the challenge of making learning more exciting in European schools and encouraging the interaction among different subjects and participants. Here in University of Aveiro (Portugal), we've been carrying out a thorough research to prepare the first prototype of the **Forensics Science Toolbox**, along with a protocol describing various activities that can be implemented by teachers in classes using the materials of the Toolbox.

Together with the other partners of the EURO4SCIENCE project, the Toolbox, we've presented the Toolbox to teachers in Portugal, Bulgaria and the UK in teachers' workshops. Now, it's time for teachers to try the Toolbox with their students and see how excited they get about using recreations of crimes scenes like those in TV series to learn Chemistry, Mathematics, Physics and other subjects.

In this newsletter we give you a snapshot of our main activities. We invite you to take a look at our <u>website</u> and <u>facebook</u> to know more details and join us in the EURO4SCIENCE adventure.

Professor Luis Souto (EURO4SCIENCE coordinator)



Teachers workshops

From April to June, the team from University of Aveiro organised workshops in schools in Aveiro (Portugal), Sofia (Bulgaria) and Skipton (UK) to present the Forensics Science Toolbox to teachers. The workshops were very interactive and the feedback from teachers was very positive. Participants tried the Toolbox and showed great enthusiasm about using these materials with their students.

In our <u>website</u> and <u>facebook</u>, you can find more details and pictures of the workshops.



Solving crime cases at school with EURO4SCIENCE

In the upcoming weeks, teachers of different subjects in schools from Portugal, Bulgaria and the UK will test the Toolbox with their students. These will be exciting lessons, where students will be able to experiment activities like Blood Typing Analysis and invisible writing, while learning about the subjects in their school programmes.

In December 2015, we will organise an international conference hosted by our UK partner, Skipton Girls' High School, and discuss the results of the testing phase.

CSI weeks in 2016

We are already preparing the "CSI Weeks" that will take place in the spring of 2016 in Portugal, Bulgaria and the UK.

These will be thrilling days for the participating schools with a full programme of activities including debates, interactive activities, exhibitions, presentation of crime cases, science fairs, visiting students from other countries and sharing experiences.

If you would like to know more about these events or other EURO4SCIENCE activities, contact us through:

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