

Tips for talking about the Bridge 47 Network

What is the Bridge 47 Network?

The Bridge 47 Network brings together people who work with transformative learning and education for active citizenship from around the world. It was initiated in 2014, with the aim to create a learning forum for members and help them spot and create inspiring, out of the box opportunities for cooperation. So far Bridge 47 has facilitated numerous transnational connections and we strive to form a vibrant coalition for education that inspires hearts and minds across continents.

What is unique about the Network, is that it represents the first such Network to facilitate multi-stakeholder conversations in the broader 4.7 community globally and in Europe.

What do we do?

We advocate for the target 4.7 of the SDGs, which is related to transformative education, e.g. global citizenship education and education for sustainable development. We also offer learning and networking spaces for transformative learning experts and enthusiasts to connect, share participatory educational methods and tools to inspire people to act and simply do things differently. Have a sneak peek in what our global gatherings look like: [Unlocking the power of 4.7](#) (Brussels), [GCE for Systemic Change](#) (Belgrade) and [Envision 4.7](#) (Helsinki).

Who can become a member?

Individuals who share our values and who are passionate about education, whether non-formal or formal, as a tool for achieving sustainable development and social justice, can join our story. Our network is very diverse – we represent civil society organizations and academia, we are policy makers, educators and activists, and some of us come from the private sector, too.

For now, organisations/ institutions cannot become members, but they are very welcome to reach out and partner up either with us or our members on the different initiatives.

What added value would joining the Network bring for the members?

- You can **join forces with us for advocacy for the target 4.7** of SDGs. Reach out to us if you would like to collaborate on 4.7 advocacy, whether at UN or EU level (or other)
- You will be able to **get your stories, events and resources in the Bridge 47 spotlight** in our comms channels with a solid outreach to the world of transformative education
- You will be informed and at times invited to **participate in our trainings, webinars, events and other online and offline learning and networking opportunities**
- We will be happy to hear from you about the work you are doing and **help you find interesting organisations or individuals to partner up with**
- You can **enrich your work with unique perspectives** of members with very diverse geographical, cultural and professional backgrounds
- Other ideas? Feel free to reach out!

How can you become a member?

You can join by simply filling in a short form about your expertise, interests and needs from the Network. It doesn't take more than a few minutes, and it helps us a lot getting an overview of the Network, and ideas how we can best facilitate discussions and cooperation. You can access it here: www.bridge47.org/join