

TOWARDS A JUST GREEN TRANSITION

BE AN ECO-HERO TO PROTECT NATURE TOGETHER

Within the framework of the “IED Serbia” project, and in cooperation with the Faculty of Technology and Metallurgy, University of Belgrade, educational workshops “Eco-heroes” were organised for primary school pupils aged 8-12. The workshops took place in the faculty’s main hall and laboratory, where pupils, through interactive activities and experiments, gained basic knowledge of environmental protection and sustainable development. Pupils from the primary schools “Starina Novak” and “Ivan Goran Kovačić” took part in this experience, which aimed to raise awareness from an early stage of education about the role each of us plays in protecting nature and its resources.

The “Eco-heroes” workshops highlighted the importance of engaging children in environmental topics at a young age, encouraging them to become responsible citizens and future leaders in building a healthier planet. Similar educational events are also planned in the coming period, continuing the mission of the “IED Serbia” project to foster environmental awareness among the youngest generations.

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The cooperation between the Faculty of Technology and Metallurgy and the project IED Serbia not only strengthens the educational process and enables our students to grow as experts, but also has significance for the wider community. Recently, we have initiated a new form of cooperation within the project, through the organisation of workshops for primary school pupils. Our students had the opportunity to actively engage in working with the youngest, sharing their knowledge and promoting the importance of environmental protection. These workshops received an exceptionally positive response, as children reacted with great interest and enthusiasm, and the impressions were highly positive among teachers, students and professors alike. Considering the success and excellent reception of these workshops, I believe that such activities will continue in the future. Not only are they an important contribution to education and the raising of awareness among the youngest, but are also a valuable experience for our students.





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“I joined the programme ‘Eco-heroes’ of the IED Serbia project with great pleasure, as a lecturer and mentor. I believe that this form of education for the youngest generations is extremely important for developing awareness of environmental protection. Through an animated film, lectures, ‘escape room’ laboratory experiments, and creative work on the topic of industrial pollution, pupils learned how to observe the world around them in a responsible and sustainable manner. I am particularly pleased that they showed great curiosity and a desire for learning, thereby proving that they are true eco-heroes.”

Snežana Pavlović

Teacher at Primary School “Starina Novak”

“The visit to the Faculty of Technology and Metallurgy was an inspiring experience for our pupils. It began with an engaging video that immediately captured their attention, followed by a lecture and creative experiments in the laboratory. The children learned in an imaginative and creative way about industrial pollution and the importance of protecting the environment. They were especially delighted with the book ‘Circular City’, which they took home, and the entire day at the faculty was filled with joy, questions, and laughter thanks to our wonderful hosts.”

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