



# E-SCHOOLS PROJECT – BRINGING CROATIAN SCHOOLS IN THE DIGITAL ERA

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**Total cost of the project:**  
more than €177 million



**EU contribution:**  
more than €150 million

## OBJECTIVES:

This project will put in place ICT infrastructure and develop educational software for Croatia's public primary and secondary schools, to improve teaching, learning and administration. The aim is to equip teachers and students children with the IT skills that will equip them to better compete in the global 21st century global marketplace and contribute to Croatia's economic development.

## ACTIVITIES:



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**ESF**

- The network infrastructure and local area networks will be installed.
- Each school will be connected to the single national network CARNET, data centres, other schools and the internet.
- CARNET's regional hubs in Zagreb, Osijek, Rijeka and Split, and its county hubs will be upgraded.
- The schools will receive computers and other hardware.
- Each school will have one interactive classroom with a smart screen and tablet computers for students, and can select other equipment according to their needs.
- E-services at in schools and government departments and agencies will be improved to ensure better administration.
- Education and training activities, management and security.
- Upgrading of e-skills for both students and teachers.

### COVERAGE:

The project will cover students and teachers in 1 166 primary and secondary schools in 2 273 locations throughout the country.

### EXPECTED RESULTS:

This project will help bring Croatia's education system into the digital era and prepare children young people for life and work in the 21st century.

### BODY RESPONSIBLE FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION:

The Croatian Academic and Research Network (CARNET), providing internet services and digital technologies for teaching, learning and administration to the Croatian academic community.

### TIMELINE:

October 2018 – December 2022

### THE PILOT:

The pilot project "e-Schools: Establishment of the system for the development of digitally mature schools" was implemented between 2015 and 2018, with total cost of €40 million and EU contribution of €34 million. The project covered more than 150 schools, 10% of Croatian schools, to switch to a new level of education.

It will encourage the professional development of teachers and promote student-centred learning. e-Schools will improve children's motivation to learn and to continue their education after high school.



*Laptops and tablets obtained through the e-Schools pilot project have proven to be crucial for high-quality distance learning and teaching. With the help of CARNET as well as the acquired equipment and organized trainings, we have reached a new level of education and changed the concept of teaching forever. Finally, I would like to point out that no matter what class we teach or what class our students attend, we are all in the first class of virtual teaching. Only with understanding and willingness to help one another will we finish the first class with excellent marks.*

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