



EDULAB

A DATABUS TO INCREASE DATA-LITERACY IN BRUSSELS SCHOOLS

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## EDULAB PROJECT





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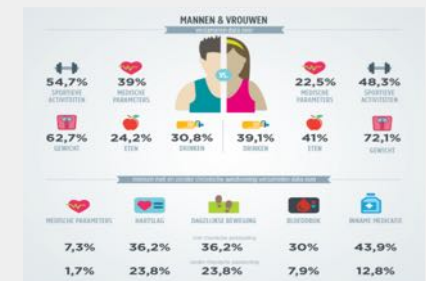
SMART  
CITIES

SMART HEALTH &  
MANUFACTURING

LIVING LABS



POLICY & MARKETS



PRIVACY,  
ETHICS & LITERACY



### Privacy Impact Assessment

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| Scope of PIA             | Is a PIA required?<br>What needs to be evaluated how?      |
| Framework to requirement | Identify relevant privacy requirements                     |
| Mapping of risks         | Current/proposed data processes<br>What is not acceptable? |
| Solution Plan            | What to change, by whom and when?                          |



## SMART EDUCATION CHALLENGE

### *Combining Research & Learning Environments: LIVING LAB for Smart Education*

How can we implement the Living Lab approach to benefit smart education?

*Placing emphasis on developing and supporting seamless (formal/informal), and hybrid (digital/physical) self-regulated learning strategy supports for schools, educators, and learners:*

- Setting up learning environments employing the living lab approach, in which use cases can be iteratively co-constructed and piloted with schools, educators, and learners for SRL promotion and support.
- Seamless: connecting and allowing for greater insight into learning episodes and development beyond the classroom walls and formal school boundaries, into the neighborhood and home.

**DATABUS**

**HIGH-TECH OPEN LEARNING UNIT**

February 2019

Flemish Schools and playgrounds  
in Brussels Region

Children 10-18 years old

Focus on data-literacy



## OPENING UP EDUCATION TO AND WITH THE CITY

**INNOVATION** - laboratory for innovative teaching, experimentation, reimagining learning & social innovation

**AUTHENTICITY** - focus on authentic learning environments & hands-on projects

**DATA-DRIVEN** - providing data skills for teachers/students, data for researchers

**TECHNOLOGY** - integrating technology with student-centered learning approaches

**FLEXIBILITY** - futureproof: smart & seamless learning in multi-modality 'classrooms'

**CONNECTED** - connectivity & interaction with and within the city

**CO-CREATED** - living lab approach/ co-creation

**COMMUNITY** - community assembly space & involvement of multiple stakeholders

**CHANGE** - behavioral change monitoring

**MEASURABLE** - measurable learning gain through learning analytics



## WHY FOCUS ON DATA?

### DATAFIED CHILDREN AND YOUTH

Automated Homes / Datafied Families



Surveillance and Privacy



Digital Citizenship



Social Media Narratives



Mobile Apps and Family Data



Techno-Futures



## SMART CITIES DEMAND SMART-ER EDUCATION

**Data Literacy:** *“the desire and ability to constructively engage in society through and about data.”*

**“Desire and ability”:** technology as a magnifier of human intent and capacity.

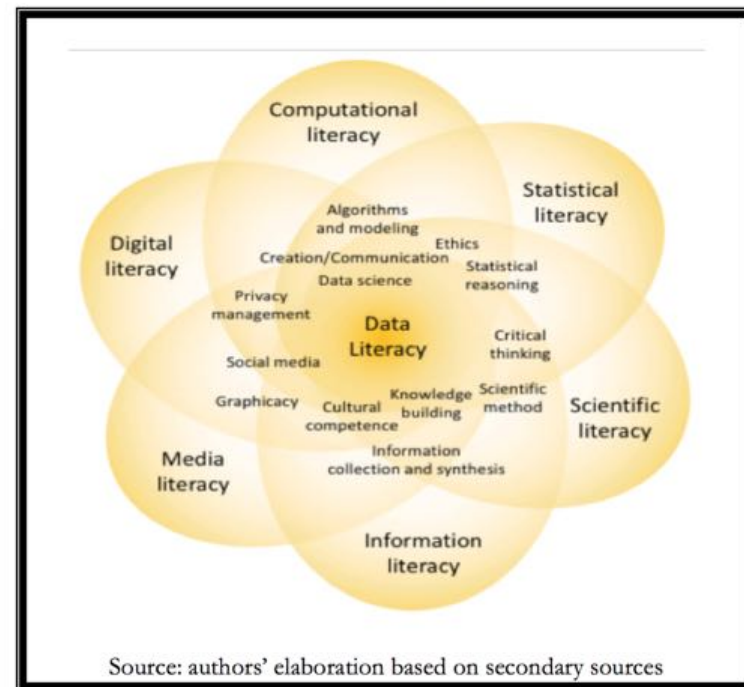
**“Ability”:** literacy as a continuum, moving away from the dichotomy of literate and illiterate.

**“Data”** is understood broadly as “individual facts, statistics, or items of information.”

**Constructively engage** in society: an active sense of purpose—literacy (sought, deployed and measured) in relation to specific goals that are deemed ‘constructive’.

**“through or about data”:** the possibility for individuals to engage as data literate individuals.

Figure 3: How different modern types of literacies interact





# DataBus

**Real-life** settings (& data)

**Hands-on** project-based learning experiences

**Innovative pedagogy** in next generation digital learning environments

**Data literacy development** as a crucial skill for future citizens and employees



# DataBus

Mobile High Tech Open Learning Unit



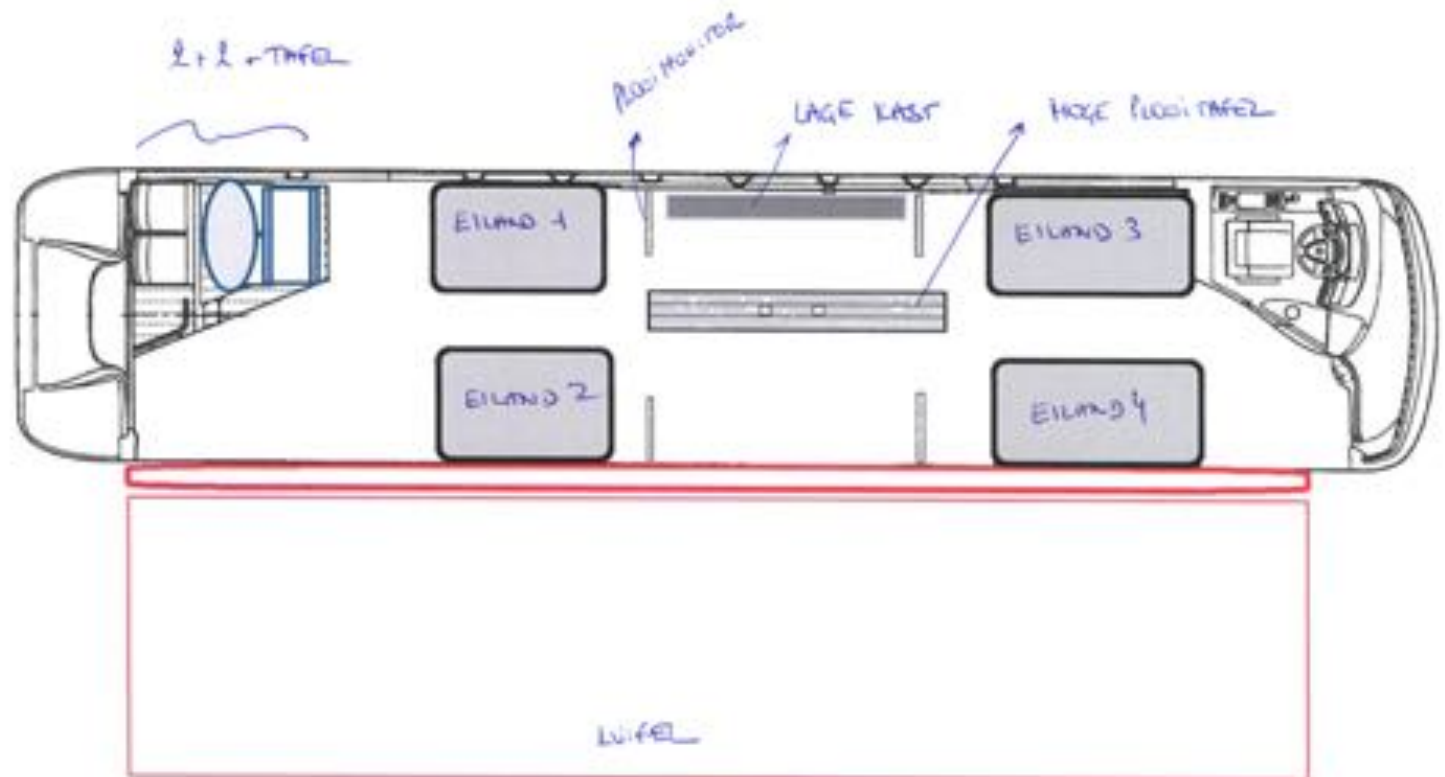
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## DATABUS

Unique and **high-tech opportunity** for teachers and students to collect and develop their data literacy whilst employing **learner-centered pedagogical approaches**, and having access to **new and emerging digital tools** and **innovative learning environments**.



# The DataBus School Journey:

*For Flemish Schools in Brussels & Flanders:  
Teachers & Students (target ages 10-18)*



## Before operationalization

Scheduling of school intervention weeks

User testing of tools and multimodal data aggregation & storage

Delivery of the teacher-selected lesson plan pack & preliminary tool testing.

## Pre-Bus Week

- Consent Forms: Opt-in and clear informed consents for students.
- Lesson Plans (Part 1): Students own data collection (self-report) & monitoring (multiple streams via smartphone as well as wearables).

## School Week

- Students and classes that have registered get to use the bus
- Time-allocated uses
- Lesson plan driven or shorter term activity based using the buses high-tech facilities and short-project MakerEd options.

## Post-bus follow-up

- Online (dependent on kits)...
- Website materials & resources on data literacy.
- Community of Practice (via social media e.g. Facebook group for teachers who have partaken - for continued work, inputs, discussion and exchange etc.)



## DATA LITERACY LESSON PLANS 'PEDAKITS'

### Integrating data literacy options

into existing subjects/class themes that make use of some element of data literacy is a way to integrate the systematic and formal teaching of data literacy into already (full curricula) & attract teachers/schools.

### Making data work for students

Integrating students' own collected data through

- Project-based learning approaches
- 6-8 Data Literacy Kits to select from (lesson plan booklet)
- Pre-During-Post Phases for all kits: *In the context of a data literacy course where students will solve problems by collecting their own data, analyse the data, manipulate, visualise & transform their data and communicate their findings*

### Connecting to the neighbourhood and the city



**THANK YOU!**

**QUESTIONS?**

