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Erasmus Experience – Barcelona

Tuesday, 24 February 2026

This day started with us going through a park to get to the metro station. There, we took the metro to the Spanish group's school. At the school, we first learned more about the school itself and how the system there works for studying. Then, we learned more about the business

that created this challenge and, as a result, also a small amount more about the challenge itself.

After this, we had a break of about thirty minutes. During this break, we ate some pastries and had some drinks to choose from. Afterwards, we received more information about the program and the challenge, as well as what we would be required to do. We also learned more about the plans for the rest of the challenge and where we would need to go. Following this, we participated in a group activity, during which the groups were split up.



One of the activities involved building a continued pattern which, if done correctly, would start to lift off the ground while the ends would still touch the ground. It was definitely an activity that, after discovering the pattern, became relatively easy. The other activity focused more on getting to know the people in the group, such as saying your name and where you are from. After this, we divided the room into two sides: one side representing “do not agree” and the other “do agree,” and we were able to move between sides.

This activity helped us learn more about the other people in our group. When this was finished, we all went to the cafeteria and had lunch for about an hour. At the end of the day, we were given a guided tour of the school.

During this tour, we visited several classrooms, received explanations about what they were used for, and were shown a project that the school had completed and received rewards for. The project was a rebuilt container. Inside, there was proper flooring, and the walls had been redone to make it look finished and functional. There was furniture inside, which made it look usable.

Wednesday, 25 February 2026

On Wednesday, we started the day at about 7:30 in the morning, meeting everybody for breakfast at the hotel. After enjoying a delicious breakfast and getting ready, we left around 8:15 to take the metro to a new location where we would be working on the project.

This was an exciting day because we were creating groups for the remainder of the project. We began with additional explanations from Javier at Egoín about different types of wood and how they could be used within the project. After that, we had a break from 11:00 to 11:30, during which we had sandwiches and spoke with students from different schools.

Following the break, we participated in a warm-up dynamic that categorized everybody into different types of people, which would later be used for the group project. One person from each category was then selected to begin forming the groups. I believe the structure was

extremely well organized. It created diverse groups, each consisting of a student from every different school and a tutor from a different country.

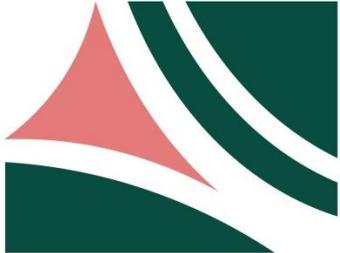
Afterwards, we started working on the prompt and created a spider web based on the central question and the key words used to describe the project. It was a very productive day and a good introduction to what we would be seeing and doing for the rest of the project, as well as the people we would be working with.



Since it was Wednesday, we finished work at 1:00 in the afternoon. The location was about a 15-minute walk from the beach, so a few of us decided to go there. A couple of the boys and I went swimming, while the rest of the group went shopping or relaxed at the hotel.

After swimming in the cold water, we returned to the hotel. Most people relaxed, except for me and one of the teachers, who went on an 11-kilometer run and enjoyed beautiful views of Barcelona. After returning, we played a few games of FIFA and later went out for dinner. We chose a Mexican takeout spot that served good burritos at a reasonable price.

Later that evening, a few of us went for a walk around Barcelona and visited the top of an arena, where we had incredible views of the city. By then it was quite late, so we returned to the hotel and went to bed.

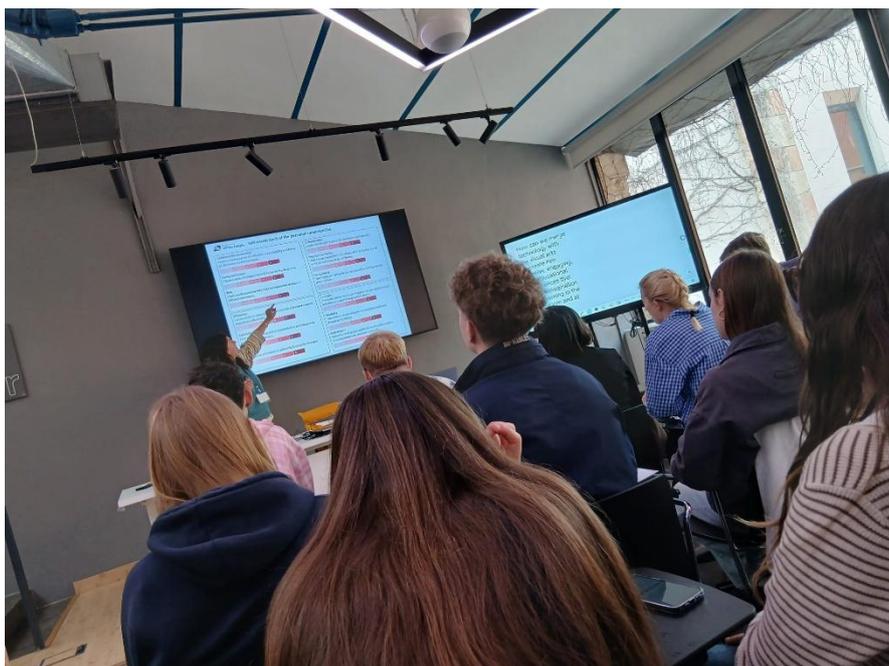




Thursday 26 February 2026

On Thursday, we visited an interesting and educational day. First, we had breakfast at 7:30. Then we went together with the group to the project location. Around 9 a.m., we received an explanation about different types of wood: CLT, Glulam, and Wood frame. Afterwards, we answered the questions.

Following this, we visited houses that were built using different wood types. At the end of the school day, we had lunch with the group, and lastly, Oscar arranged the photos.



Friday 27 February 2026

On Friday, we had breakfast at 8:00. After breakfast, Iliasse, Oscar, Anas, and Jack went to the mall Las Arenas. Afterwards, we met at the hotel at 11:00 to leave for the airport.

At the airport, we spent some time looking around in the shops. Our flight departed at 14:00, and around 16:00 we arrived back in Belgium.

Een verrijkende Europese ervaring

De week in Barcelona was voor onze leerlingen en leerkrachten een unieke en verrijkende ervaring. Ze kregen de kans om hun vak en studierichting te bekijken vanuit een Europees perspectief, leerlingen en leerkrachten te leren kennen uit Spanje, Finland, Italië en Denemarken, én te werken aan echte uitdagingen uit de bouwsector. De professionele aanpak van XarxaFP en de inspirerende leeromgeving in Barcelona legden een sterk fundament voor de rest van het project.

De komende maanden zullen de internationale teams verder werken aan hun projecten, begeleid door hun respectieve leerkrachten. De volgende projectweek vindt plaats op De Wijnpers van 21 tot en met 23 april. Wij kijken alvast uit naar het Europese bezoek!

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