# The project

**The goal**
During this project you will cooperate as a pair with 2 students from each of the other two schools (6 students in total). You will choose an area within one of the following 4 topics:
- Infectious diseases and vaccination
- Global nutrition
- Water
- Genetic modification

Within this area you are going to research the newest developments and facts. You will do this by performing an experiment, contacting experts from different organisations and collect recent information from different media sources (books, scientific magazines, websites from scientific organisations etc.)
The final result of this research will be published on a self-made website.

For each topic the two winning groups will be selected and will travel to the Netherlands for the seminar from **17 till 21of April in Arnhem**

**Pre-selection**Before the 7th of January a pre-selection will take place because only 4 pairs per topic, so 32 students per country, can join in the project. On the 8th of January the teams will be presented on TeleTOP.

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| **Aspect** | **pt** |
| Scientific level | 7 |
| Global approach  | 7 |
| Level of English | 3 |
| Good structure, clear text, clear message | 4 |
| Design | 3 |
| Plagiarism (15% or less) | 3 |
| Students' involvement and cooperation per country (NL/DK/SK) | 3 |
| **Total** | **30** |

**Assessment criteria**The assessment of the websites will take place in each country. The scores per country will then be combined to give a final total score.
The criteria and division of the points is explained in the table on the right. The final product needs to be handed in on the 14th of March and the selection of the winning groups will be published on the 18th of March.

**Plagiarism scan**On Wednesday the 2nd of March, roughly two weeks before the final deadline, each student will hand in their articles for the website on TeleTOP. Here a plagiarism scan will take place to scan the amount of information which has been copied from other sources. This amount can never surpass 15%. You can always hand in articles before this deadline in a separate “test” dropbox to check it yourself before the deadline. If the amount is more than 15% you will automatically loose the 3 points (see criteria) and you will have until the 14th of March (final deadline) to correct the copied parts.

**Do’s and don’ts
Do:**
- Focus on the newest scientific developments within your research area (max. 2 years old)
- Interview an expert within you area (University professor, Researcher at WHO/Doctors without borders, UNESCO, EU etc.)
- Perform your own scientific experiment
- Limit the amount of general/basic information on your website
- Equally divide the writing between all six students
- Make a clear agreement who does what and when. When one or two of the countries has a holiday this isn't an excuse for the others to stop working.
- Check your work on the percentage of plagiarism while working

**Don't:**
- Don’t use a website that is locked with a password, so each student is able to enter it.
- Do not copy information/text from websites into your texts, this is plagiarism!
- Do not use Wikipedia as a source for information
- Do not use articles published by journalists as a source, only if the expert itself has written the article, it can function as a source.

# Deadlines

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| **Date** | **Action** |
| Thursday 7 January | Each country hands in 32 names after the pre-selection  |
| Friday 8 January | Matching of students on TeleTOP |
| Week 11-15 January | Europass baseline |
| Monday 18 January | Hand in planning with the division of the work per student |
| Wednesday 2 March | Hand in documents online on TeleTOP for plagiarism scan |
| Thursday 3 March | Results plagiarism scan |
| Monday 14 March | Hand in link to final website on TeleTOP before 08.00 o’clock |
| Friday 18 March | Publication of winning teams on TeleTOP |