

TRANSNATIONAL ENVIRONMENT QUALITY FORUM

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Summary description of the key features of the tool (developed and/or implemented)

The Transnational Environment Quality Forum (TEQF) is an online platform collecting the main output documents of the InAirQ project. The following documents focusing on indoor air quality in school buildings are available on the platform: comparative vulnerability assessment and comparative SWOT analysis, joint transnational strategy for indoor air quality action plans, national air quality action plans, training materials and awareness raising materials. The TEQF is available for free and the core project documents, i.e. the national indoor air quality action plans, are available in the national languages, making easier the use of the materials. Furthermore, awareness raising materials are also available on the TEQF in different languages. Additional documents on indoor air quality (e.g., good practices, strategies) have been uploaded to the TEQF in the national languages. The platform offered assistance to local forums in the implementation of indoor air quality action plans and related pilot activities.

Besides the TEQF, the webpage contains the Virtual Health Repository (VHR), which is another tool of the project. Both the TEQF and the VHR provide thematic support for decision makers.

The platform was disseminated among the participants of the capacity building courses and the Environment Quality Forums.

The TEQF is operated by the National Public Health Center of Hungary and it will be maintained and updated regularly to contribute to follow-up the realization of the national strategies and action plans. Furthermore, it will be a pool of relevant documents (e.g. guidelines, news strategies, communication materials) on indoor air quality, thus the interested stakeholders can download the latest information.

NUTS region(s) where the tool has been developed and/or implemented (relevant NUTS level)

The tool has been developed in the National Public Health Center, Hungary and used mostly in the territories covered by the project as follows:

Czech Republic:

NUTS 1 level: CZ0

Hungary:

NUTS 1 level: HU1, HU2

Italy:

NUTS 1 level: ITC

Poland:

NUTS 1 level: PL1

Slovenia:

NUTS 1 level: SI0

Expected impact and benefits of the tool for the concerned territories and target groups

The Transnational Environment Quality Forum (TEQF) contains the most important outputs of the InAirQ project, thus it provides documents related to indoor air quality in Central European school buildings to all stakeholders including teachers, school managers, school maintainers, local authorities, public health professionals, and policy makers. The online platform is useful for the implementation of the national indoor air quality action plans developed in the Czech Republic, Hungary, Italy, Poland, and Slovenia. The TEQF will be maintained after the conclusion of the InAirQ project, thus the target groups can download the relevant documents. It is expected that the TEQF will contribute to the improvement of indoor air quality in the Central European region.

Sustainability of the tool and its transferability to other territories and stakeholders

The Transnational Environment Quality Forum (TEQF) will serve as a pool for the latest and most relevant documents related to indoor air quality in Central European school buildings as the online platform will be updated regularly and will be open for all interested stakeholders. The TEQF might be a useful platform for different target groups (e.g., public health professionals, researchers, etc.) from all over the world since the improvement of indoor air quality in school buildings is a global environmental health issue.

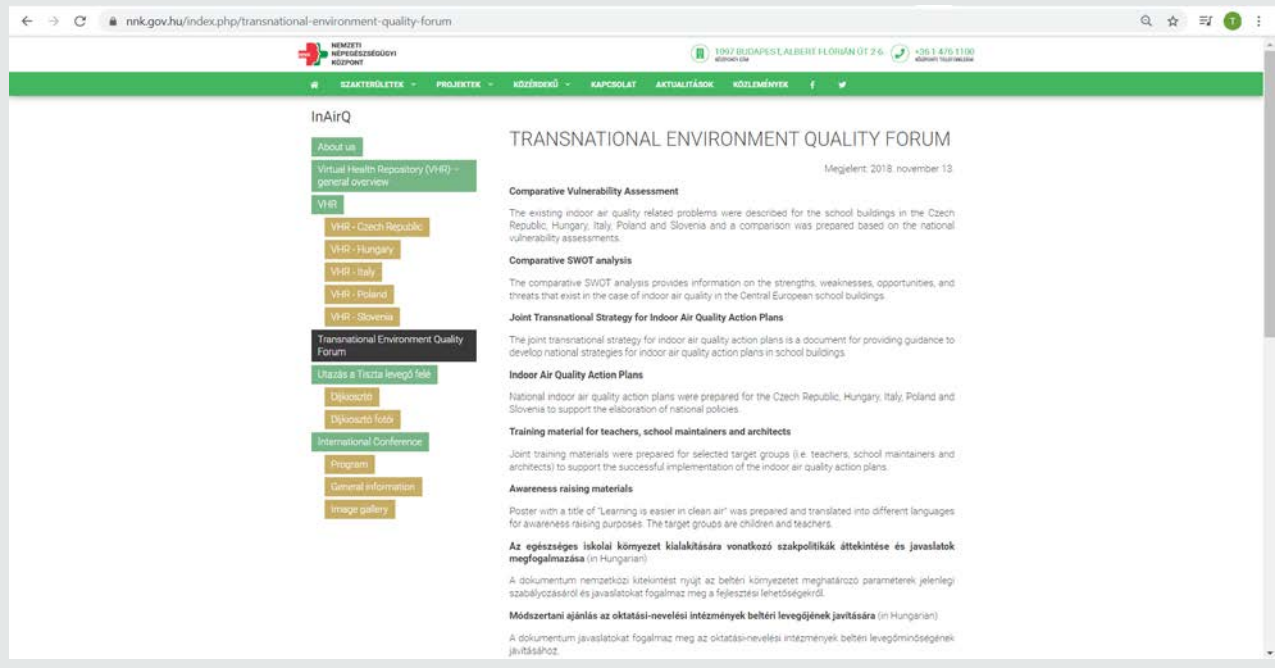
Lessons learned from the development/implementation process of the tool and added value of transnational cooperation

All project partners contributed to the development of the Transnational Environment Quality Forum (TEQF). The aim of the TEQF was to serve as a pool for the most important documents on indoor air quality related issues based on the needs of the partners to support the objectives of the InAirQ project. The most important lesson learnt during the implementation of the tool is that the documents must be uploaded in a harmonized way and a short description on each item is needed to provide support for the users of the online platform.

References to relevant deliverables and web-links If applicable, pictures or images to be provided as annex

The Transnational Environment Quality Forum (TEQF) is available online at the following link:
<https://www.nnk.gov.hu/index.php/transnational-environment-quality-forum>.
The platform is maintained by the National Public Health Center of Hungary.

Image of the TEQF:



The screenshot shows the website interface for the InAirQ Transnational Environment Quality Forum. The page is in Hungarian and features a green header with navigation links. The main content area is titled "TRANSNATIONAL ENVIRONMENT QUALITY FORUM" and includes several sections with descriptions of documents:

- Comparative Vulnerability Assessment:** The existing indoor air quality related problems were described for the school buildings in the Czech Republic, Hungary, Italy, Poland and Slovenia and a comparison was prepared based on the national vulnerability assessments.
- Comparative SWOT analysis:** The comparative SWOT analysis provides information on the strengths, weaknesses, opportunities, and threats that exist in the case of indoor air quality in the Central European school buildings.
- Joint Transnational Strategy for Indoor Air Quality Action Plans:** The joint transnational strategy for indoor air quality action plans is a document for providing guidance to develop national strategies for indoor air quality action plans in school buildings.
- Indoor Air Quality Action Plans:** National indoor air quality action plans were prepared for the Czech Republic, Hungary, Italy, Poland and Slovenia to support the elaboration of national policies.
- Training material for teachers, school maintainers and architects:** Joint training materials were prepared for selected target groups (i.e. teachers, school maintainers and architects) to support the successful implementation of the indoor air quality action plans.
- Awareness raising materials:** Poster with a title of "Learning is easier in clean air" was prepared and translated into different languages for awareness raising purposes. The target groups are children and teachers.

At the bottom, there are two sections in Hungarian:

- Az egészséges iskolai környezet kialakítására vonatkozó szakpolitikai öttekintése és javaslatok megfogalmazása (in Hungarian):** A dokumentum nemzetközi kitekintést nyújt az beltéri környezetet meghatározó paraméterek jelenlegi szabályozásáról és javaslatokat fogalmaz meg a fejlesztési lehetőségekről.
- Módszertani ajánlás az oktatási-nevelési intézmények beltéri levegőjének javítására (in Hungarian):** A dokumentum javaslatokat fogalmaz meg az oktatási-nevelési intézmények beltéri levegőminőségének javításához.