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### **SCHOOL PORTAL GENERATOR MANUAL**

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# 1 ABOUT THE SCHOOL PORTAL GENERATOR

The School Portal Generator is an easy way to set up a green Open Educational Resources (OERs) site for your school or educational community. As a solution it can serve two kinds of educational communities:

- Schools, educational communities, organisations or associations that do not have online presence so far. The Portal Generator offers to these groups a simple way to create a tailored to their needs space, in order to present their mission and activities, offer the educational material they choose to their audience and connect to social media.
- Schools, educational communities, organisations or associations that already have an established online presence and need to incorporate green OER for their audiences. With very simple steps and with no intervention/alteration of their website they can enhance it with an addition of a search space for green OER from the GLN collections.



Figure 1.1: Accessing the School Portal Generator through the GreeNET website

### 1.1 Green OER Social Portal application procedure

In order to create your School Portal, please visit <a href="http://spg.latramis.com/welcome">http://spg.latramis.com/welcome</a>

1. The first step to create your School Portal is to submit your application. Scroll down and find the space you see in Fig. 2.1. Press "Submit Application for your School Portal"



Figure 1.2 Apply for an Online Social Portal

2. Continue with completing the submission form with the correct information required. All fields are mandatory so information needs to be provided.

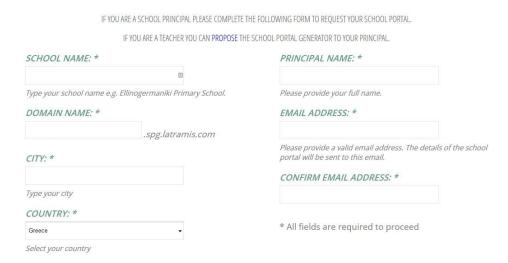


Figure 1.3 How to complete your Online Social Portal Submission Form

3. Further on, the form gives the opportunity to select collections and appearance template before submitting your application. Regarding the collections, the submission page offers you a basic choice among four collections which further on can be expanded to many more collections.

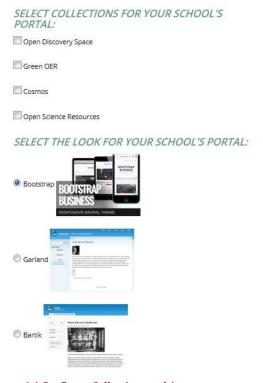


Figure 1.4 Configure Collections and Appearance

4. Fill in the purpose of your micro-site and press Create your Portal.

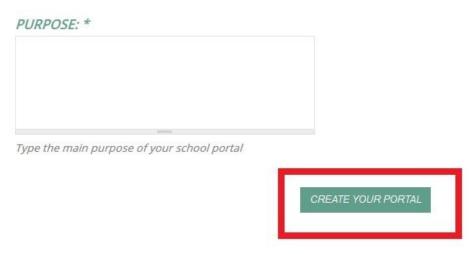


Figure 1.5 Describe your Portal's Purpose

#### 1.2 Your credentials and registration procedure

1. As soon as you submit your application you will receive a confirmation e-mail.

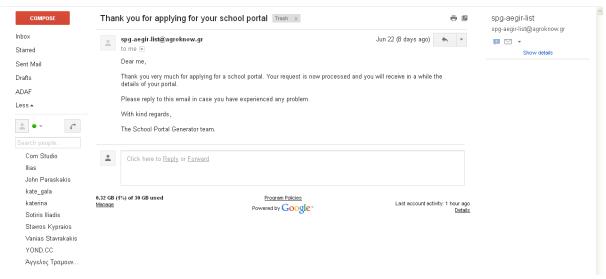


Figure 1.6 Confirmation e-mail

- 2. Following the confirmation you will receive a second e-mail with:
- a) The link to your portal
- b) An one time login link where you will reset your password and pick one of your choice



Figure 1.7 Receive your Portal's credentials

3. Login the one-time link and reset your password.



Figure 1.8 Login to your Portal and configure it

You are now ready to visit your new School Portal, log in with your new password and configure it.

## 2 PORTAL CONFIGURATION

This is an on-going phase of your portal. It is editable and further customisable any time in order to always keep it up-to date with your developments; manually and easily without any external help.

You are now logged in you portal and in front of the administration dashboards. Let's see how you can customise the collections of Green Open Educational Resources and filters of your portal's discovery space.

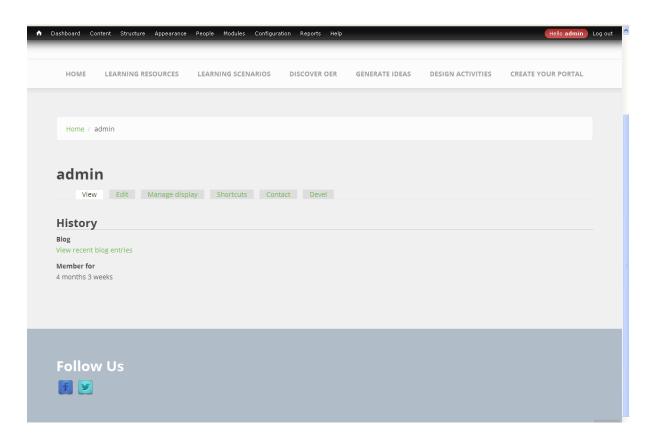


Figure 2.1 View of login administration dashboard

1. First you go up to the dashboard. Go to Configuration and then from AK Configuration to AK search settings.

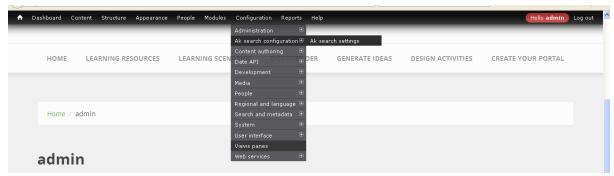


Figure 2.2 How to find the AK search module

These settings offer two types of choice over the content that make the OERs search more effective for the end users.

- a) It offers the option to select the collections that the portal administrator wishes to expose. Choosing your collections offers further freedom over the quality of the resources as you are able to choose the content providers that you consider to be trusted sources.
- b) It offers the option to choose among filters/facets that filter information according to their metadata. Therefore, it further enhances the effectiveness of the search as the end user is able to trace faster the resources that fit their exact needs.

Pressing the AK search settings a long list of all the collections the School Portal Generator offers will appear.

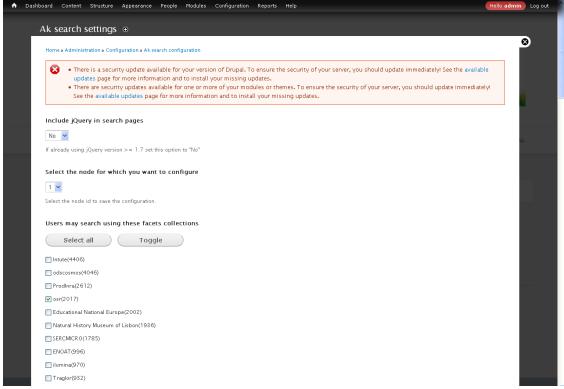


Figure 2.3 Select your OER Collections

2. Choose the collections you are interested in and scroll down to set up the search filters of your discovery space. As you can see there, the pre-set filter is only by language. On top of that, you have the option to select filters by collection, context, resource type and end user role.

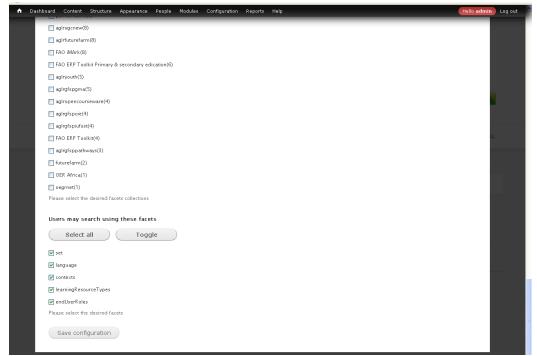
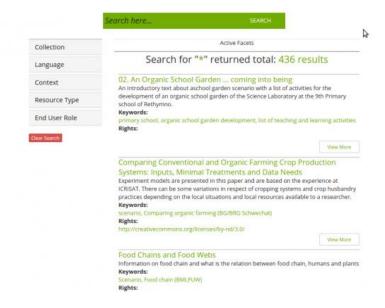


Figure 2.4 Select your Search Filters

- 3. Once you are done with you choices, click on Save.
- 4. You are ready to log-out and see how it looks for your visitors.



 $Figure\ 2.5\ The\ end-user\ interface,\ searching\ with\ the\ AK\ Search\ Settings$