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Launch of a new edition of the Financial Education Programme for schools

Schools interested in taking part can sign up at www.gepeese.es

The Financial Education Plan, sponsored by the Spanish National Securities Market Commission (CNMV, by its Spanish abbreviation) and the Banco de España, has this year launched a new edition of the Financial Education Programme for schools.

The programme aims to bring basic knowledge of personal finance to the classroom, to enable students to learn essential skills and abilities that will help them deal with the basic financial challenges they will come across throughout their lives.

This is the sixth edition of the Programme, from which around 300,000 students have benefited in the last five years.

The course covers key concepts such as saving, income, personal budgeting, what things cost, quality of life and responsible consumption. Moreover, it is adapted to the needs of each school as it can be taught in an entirely flexible manner.

Schools interested in participating can voluntarily sign up for the Financial Education Programme for schools on the following website: www.gepeese.es, where they will find all the necessary materials and resources for teaching the programme tailored for teachers and students.

Other noteworthy aspects of the programme are:

- Translation into English of teaching materials (student's and teacher's manuals).
- New financial education teaching materials made available each month in the reserved area of the www.gepeese.es portal, to enrich lessons.
- The Financial Knowledge competition, in which students can put the knowledge acquired in Programme to the test.

This initiative is supported by the Ministry of Education, Culture and Sports in the framework of the cooperation agreement signed in 2009 with the Banco de España and the CNMV.

The Financial Education Plan was launched in 2008 by the CNMV and the Banco de España, with the cooperation of the Directorate General of Insurance and Pension Funds and the General Secretariat of the Treasury. Its objective is to improve financial literacy among citizens.