

EXCLUSIVE CONFERENCE

2027

CONCEPT PRESENTATION

EdYouFest

RETREAT

Top 50 Teacher Trainers. A curated global retreat for leadership, reflection, and impact



This new project is being supported by the ELT Council.





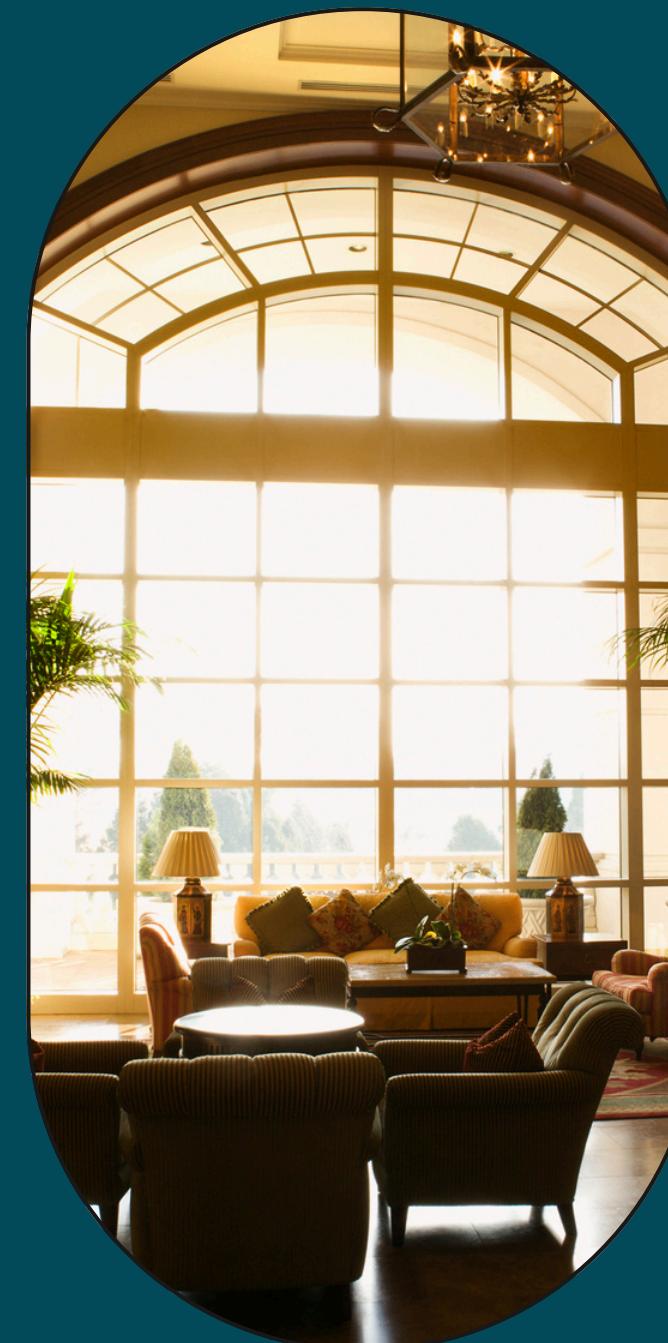
What is the EdYouFest Retreat?

- ★ An invitation-only international retreat
- ★ Dedicated to the Top 50 Teacher Trainers
- ★ Designed for highly experienced educators and mentors
- ★ A space for deep dialogue, collaboration, and vision-building
- ★ Focused on legacy-building rather than visibility
- ★ Part of the EdYOUFest ecosystem (active since 2015)



The EdYouFest Retreat is:

- ★ Organised by EdYOUFest in cooperation with ELT Council Malta
- ★ Anchored to an institutional and professional framework



www.edyoufest.org/retreat

Why this Retreat stands out:

- ★ Quality and credibility
- ★ Alignment with ELT professional standards
- ★ Long-term vision and sustainability



Our Vision

To build a global circle of teacher-training leaders who:

- Collaborate across borders
- Mentor future generations of educators
- Shape innovation and ethical leadership in ELT

The Retreat is a space where experience meets responsibility.



Our Mission

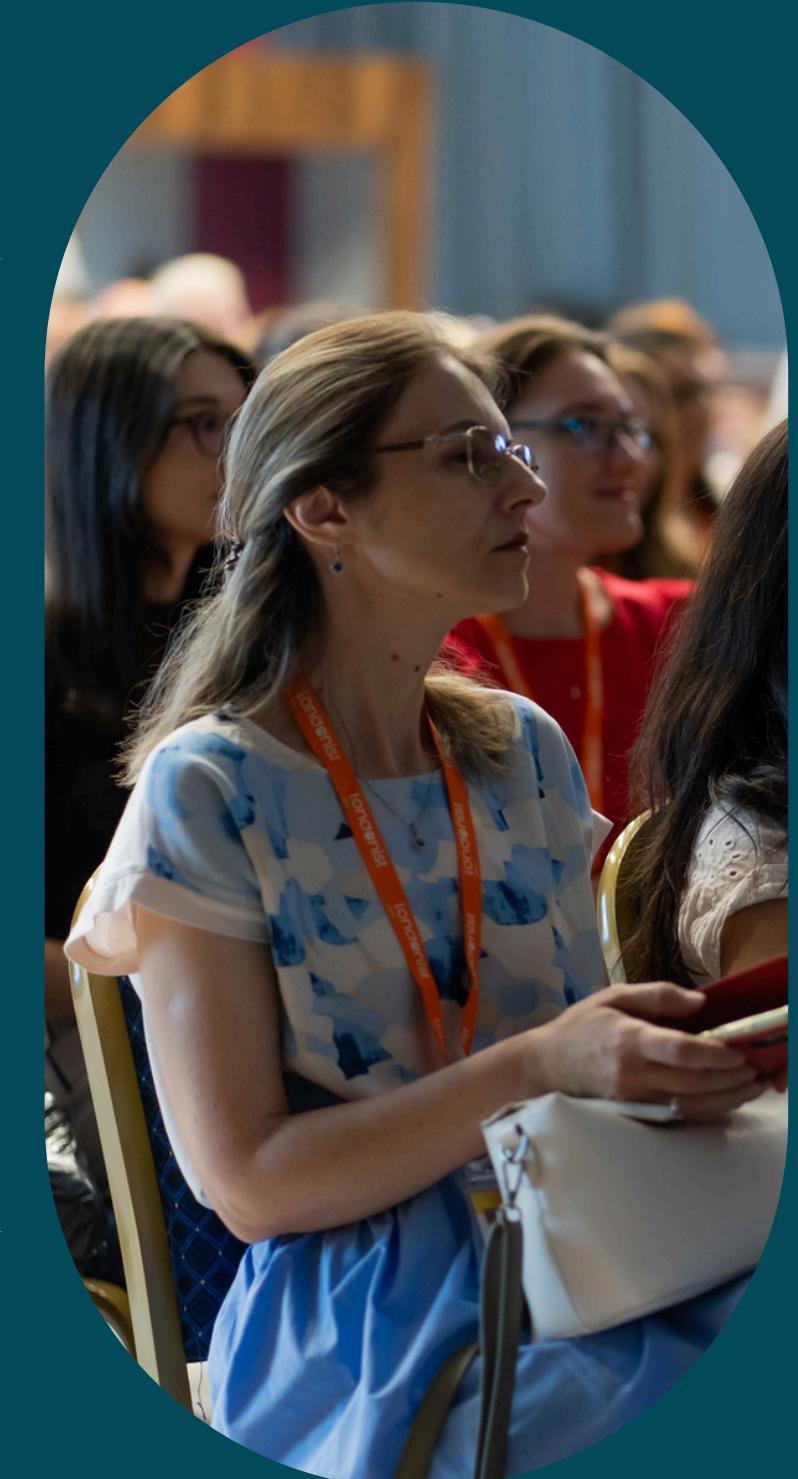
- ★ To recognise excellence in teacher training
- ★ To provide a protected space for reflection and exchange
- ★ To encourage peer-to-peer leadership
- ★ To connect independent professional voices and institutions
- ★ To generate ideas with long-term impact beyond the retreat



The EdYouFest Retreat is dedicated to:

- ★ Teacher Trainers
- ★ Academic Mentors
- ★ ELT Leaders
- ★ Programme Designers
- ★ Long-term contributors to teacher development

Participation is limited to 50 selected professionals. Not designed for early-career professionals or first-time trainers





What Makes the Retreat Different

Not a conference, not traditional training, not top-down delivery, but:

- ★ A retreat format
- ★ Time for listening and reflection
- ★ Dialogue among equals
- ★ Shared responsibility and trust



What the Retreat Offers

- ★ Immersive retreat experience
- ★ Facilitated professional conversations
- ★ Collaborative workshops
- ★ Curated relational moments
- ★ Space for co-creation and future planning
- ★ All within a carefully selected, inspiring location





Retreat Structure

The EdYouFest Retreat is a 2-day immersive experience designed for depth and reflection.

It combines:



- 3 curated plenary sessions
- Small-group collaborative workshops
- Time for dialogue, co-creation, and informal exchange

A structure created to support thinking, not overload.



Plenary Sessions

The Retreat includes three top-level plenary sessions, conceived as intellectual anchors, not traditional keynote talks.



Focus areas



Communication – led by a university professor



Social Media & Society – led by a senior professional from Meta



Artificial Intelligence & Education – led by a representative from ChatGPT / OpenAI

Each plenary frames reflection, raises critical questions, and informs collective dialogue.



Collaborative Workshops

The heart of the Retreat is collaborative work among peers.

Structure:

- ◆ 50 selected Teacher Trainers
- ◆ 5 groups of 10 participants
- ◆ Diverse professional and cultural perspectives



Workshops are facilitated spaces for dialogue, shared responsibility, and co-creation.



Workshop Focus & Outcomes

Central theme:

“The Teacher of English in 2030”



Participants explore:

- ★ Evolving professional identity
- ★ Future competences and responsibilities
- ★ Ethical, technological, and societal challenges

The work feeds into ongoing collaboration within EdYOUFest future events, webinars, and publications from the Top 50 Teacher Trainers Circle



★ Legacy & Impact

The Retreat aims to create:

- ★ Ongoing collaboration among participants
- ★ Mentoring pathways within EdYOUFest
- ★ Contributions to future events, webinars, and publications
- ★ A Top 50 Teacher Trainers Circle within the EdYOUFest community
- ★ Impact continues after the retreat ends.

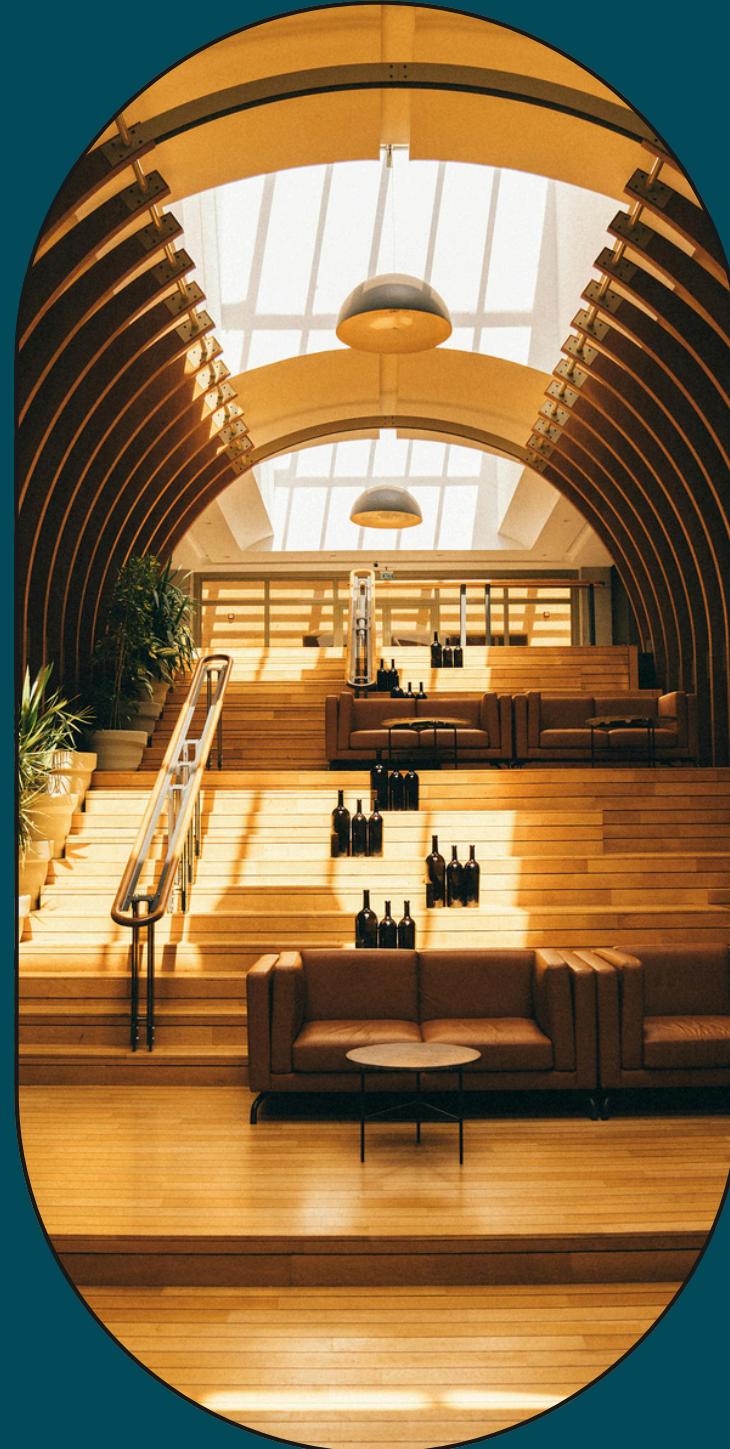
Why EdYouFest Retreat?

Because :

- experience deserves intentional recognition
- leadership grows through dialogue
- innovation needs both vision and structure

The cooperation with ELT Council Malta strengthens this commitment.

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Participation

- ★ Participation by invitation or nomination
- ★ Limited to 50 selected teacher trainers
- ★ Designed for professionals ready to lead, mentor, and contribute
- ★ Participation implies active contribution before and after the retreat

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A shared space for those who believe in
collaboration over competition, reflection over
speed, leadership through service

Thank you!