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# EDUCATION INNOVATIONS TRANSFER CENTRE



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Capital City: Riga

(Rīga - founded in 1201)



# Jelgava



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### Jelgava (Mītava or Mitau) - 4th city in Latvia

Situated just 42 km away from Riga

Population: 62 572

Territory: 60,32 km2

Elevation: 2,5 - 4,5 m above the sea level

Ethnic composition:

57,3% Latvians, 27,8% Russians, 5,7% Belarusians, 2,7% Ukrainians, 2% Poles, 1,4% Lithuanians, 1,2% Romanies, 1,9% other

Religious Confessions:

Evangelic Lutheran, Roman Catholic, Russian Orthodox

Climate:

Warm summer and spring, relatively mild autumn, cold winter

# Jelgava is famous for

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### Jelgava Palace.

Today the palace is the home of Latvia University Agriculture (LLU)

### Festivals

Jelgava is the festivals city



### JELGAVA CITY FESTIVAL





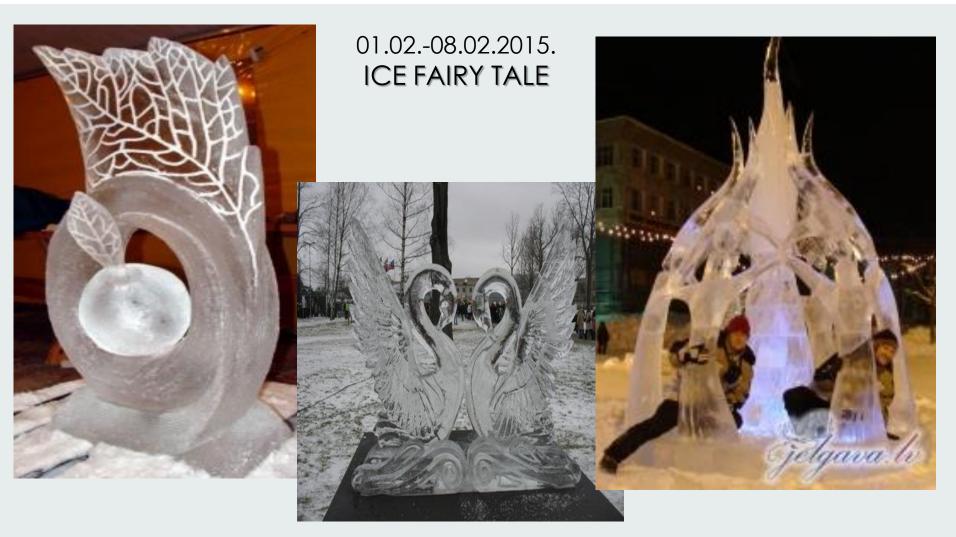
### INTERNATIONAL SAND SCULPTURE FESTIVAL





### INTERNATIONAL ICE SCULPTURE FESTIVAL

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### MILK, BREAD AND HONEY FESTIVAL



30 August, 2014

### More information on Jelgava



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Jelgava on a virtual tour

http://www.jelgava.lv/viesiem/

### **EDUCATION INNOVATIONS TRANSFER CENTRE**

## Information about organization



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### **ASOCIATION HISTORY**

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- □ The Association was founded in July 2009
- Members
  - teachers, university lecturers, researchers, adult learners, young people etc.
- Organization size
  - □ 16 members
- Funding
  - The external funds through the several education projects
  - A membership fee payment
  - Paid services

### THE MISSION OF THE ASSOCIATION

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- Gather international issues of education and make them more accessible to the Latvian
- Promote learning opportunities for everyone throughout life
- Promote the development of educational projects and create international cooperation
- Create networks for the identification innovative experiences as well as the coordination of the cooperation

### **PRIORITIES**

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- Participation in non-formal education. Promote learning opportunities for everyone throughout life. It is crucial for reaching aims of employability and social inclusion.
- Creativity, entrepreneurship and employability, enriching professional and organizational competencies.
- Inclusion of people with fewer opportunities. Involvement into non-formal learning - an opportunity to gain necessary skills and experience for inclusion in the society / community.

### MAIN ACTIVITIES



- Research
- Form the infrastructure for the practical implementation of educational research
- Carry out information activities in society on educational innovations







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Spānija, oktobris 2012.

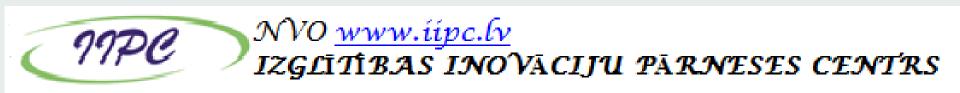


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## Information activities in society

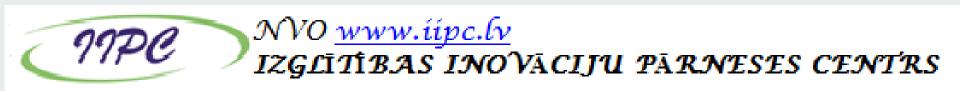


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### Association's projects



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# Association's projects (I)

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2011-2013



#### AGING WITH ACTIVE KNOWLEDGE AND EXPERIENCE

2012-2013





EFFECTIVE LANGUAGE LEARNING FOR PEOPLE AGED 18-30

AD-2012 1a-29721

NGO "Personality Development" (EE), NGO Education Innovations Transfer Centre (LV), UAB "Globalios idéjos" (LT)

# Association's projects (II)



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2012-2014

# HOW TO CHALLENGE AN ADULT TO TEACH AN ADULT



### **MATHPRO**

2013-2014



Cooperation to strengthen the citizens' math skills in the context of sustainable development and welfare

# Association's projects (III)

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Inter-organizational learning: Employability and Social Inclusion through Non-formal Education of young people

# Current projects (I)



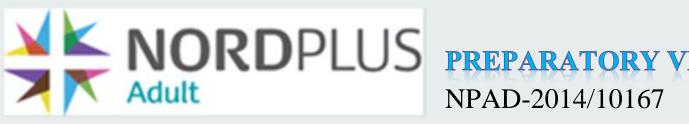
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MOBILITY

NPAD-2014/10170

TRANSFORMING LOSERS INTO WINNERS



NPAD-2014/10167

SCANDINAVIAN AS A SECOND LANGUAGE -ALSO IN BALTIC COUNTRIES

# Current projects (II)



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### INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGY FOR ROMANIAN CAREER COUNSELING (ICT 4 ROCC)

ERAMUS+ Strategic partnership project No. 2014-1-R001-KA201-002944



# LANGUAGE LEARNING FOR "SCREEN" GENERATION

ERAMUS+ Strategic partnership project No. 2014-1-LV01-KA201-000467

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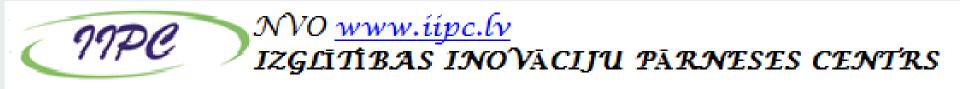
### Language learning projects

ERASMUS+: LANGUAGE LEARNING FOR "SCREEN" GENERATION



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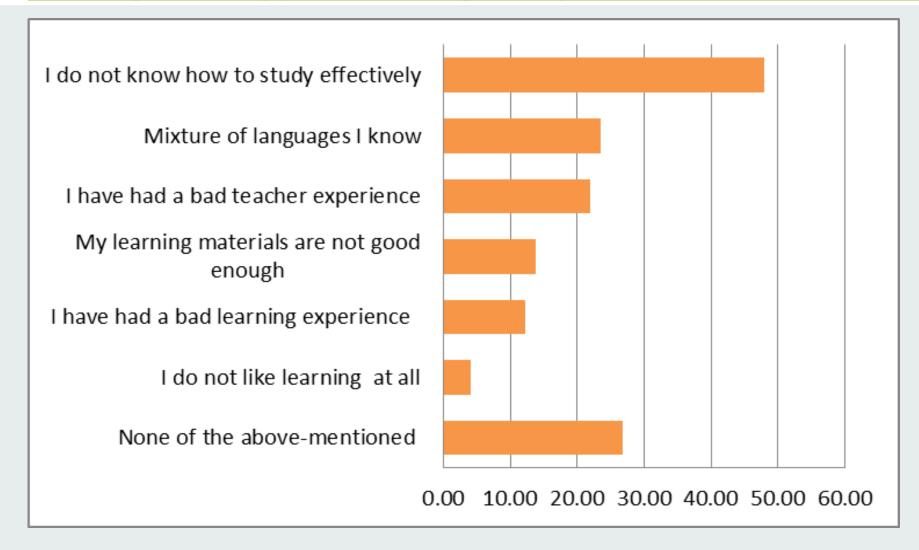


- Nordplus project AD-2012\_1a-29721
  - The survey, aiming to analyze the major difficulties that people aged 18-30 face when learning foreign languages
  - trainers / teachers / educators who provide language training for people aged `18-30 interview with aim to identify successful language learning methods and techniques.

### Learning experience (% of respondents)







### Psychological problems (% of respondents)

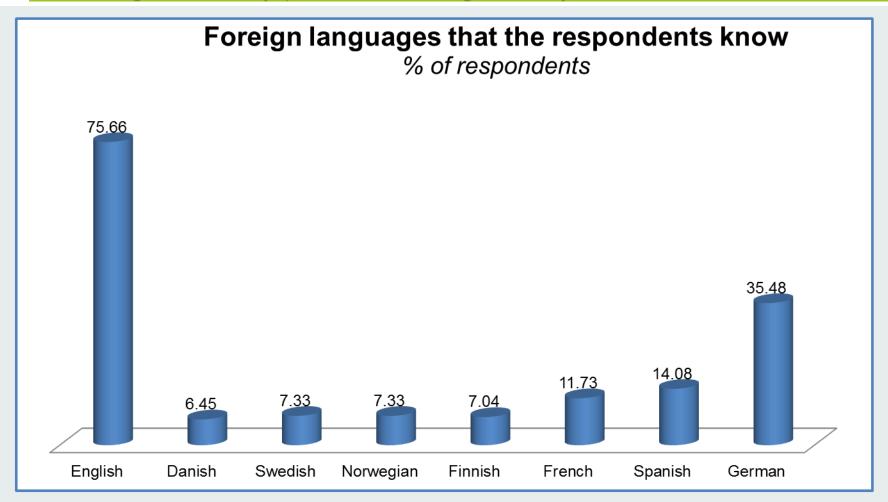


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### The most common language learning problems





- Students do not know how to learn effectively
- The language learning interferes with psychological barriers
- Do not identify their needs;
- Do not determine goals;
- Do not allocate time for learning;
- Learn the words by heart, but do not know how to use them and do not see the language interconnections;
- Acquire communicative minimum and hopes to implicitly align the level of interaction; etc.

# How to overcome these situations and how does trainer/teacher can help them

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- According to the interviews results the most important is to learn foreign language structure. Trainer/teacher can help indicating where students need to learn the regularities;
- The trainers / teachers role is also to promote a healthy psychological environment for students to support each other rather than compete;
- Do not stint with praise: praise and praise again!

# Latvian foreign language trainers / teachers believe that successful language training



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- Use an action-oriented approach
- Use different interactive teaching methods;
- Enrich the learning experience with modern tools for language learning (such as e-courses, video courses, online tests etc.);
- Facilitate students' ability to learn;
- Increase motivation of students to learn foreign language; etc.

In **an ideal situation effective language learning** - learn the basics of a foreign language and then be "thrown into" natural language users environment

### Key recommendations for foreign language learners





- Devote time to goals;
- Try to contact in a foreign language;
- Be overcome with confusion, if need to use a language;
- Watch movies, read books in a foreign language etc.;
- Use of the opportunities offered by the Internet (learners' social networks, etc.).

### LANGUAGE LEARNING FOR SCREEN" GENERATION





### LANGUAGE LEARNING FOR "SCREEN" GENERATION



- Toolkit of attractive teaching/ learning/ training materials
- Web-based language teachers' network

# We are open to new ideas!

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