

## Report Grundtvig Partnership Group

Vilnius, 21<sup>st</sup> – 22<sup>nd</sup> of June 2012

**Date of the meeting:** June 21<sup>st</sup> – 22<sup>nd</sup>

**Place of the meeting:** Lithuanian Adult Education Centers Leaders Association, Vilnius, Lithuania

**Hosting organization:** Lithuanian Adult Education Centers Leaders Association (LAECLA)

**Participants present at the meeting:**

- Centre for Senior Citizen Initiatives, Poznań (Poland)
  - Monika Szelażewicz
  - Magdalena Krysińska-Sowa
  - Halina Brzezińska
  - Grażyna Fladzińska-Gawrońska
  - Aleksandra Buchert
  - Tomasz Miłaszewski
- Lithuania Adult Education Centres Leaders Association
  - Kristina Martinaviciute
  - Maria Olenskaja
  - Janina Maldziute
- Asociata Educatia de a Lungul Intregii Vieti, Tg-Jiu (Romania)
  - Henrieta Luiza Popescu
  - Alina Firan
  - Popescu Gheorghe
  - Cristina Nedelea Lacramioara
- Asociación De Mujeres Por Un Envejecimiento Saludable (Ames), Madrid (Spain)
  - Maria Enriqueta Vazquez Albertino
  - Paloma Gil de la Calle
  - Luz María Ontañón Carneiro
- Centro Servizi Per Il Volontariato V.S.S.P, Turin (Italy)
  - Sonia Palumbo
  - Bregni Paolo Maria Enrico
- Education Innovation Transfer Centre, Jelgava (Latvia)
  - Anna Vintere
  - Alvars Vinters
  - Ilze Balode
  - Daiga Zipeva-Biumane

### Organizational matters

**What was established:**

1. Report form the meeting will be prepared by Polish partner and send till the end of next week to all partners.
2. Partners agreed the date of next meeting in Madrid, Spain. It will be 18<sup>th</sup> -19<sup>th</sup> of October.



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## Aging With Active Knowledge and Experience

3. Anna proposed the closing meeting in Jelgava (Latvia) could be connected with closing conference of another LLP project called **Visualisation - Highlights in Language Teaching**. The topic of this project is connected with AWAKE project and could be inspiring and interesting addition in educational tool for seniors and very useful for partner organization. Possible benefits from cooperation:

- a) themes complement each other,
- b) enhances the publicity of the project,
- c) The possibility get new contacts, etc.

All partners initially accepted the idea.

The conference is planned for 6<sup>th</sup> – 9<sup>th</sup> of June, but this date is not fixed and could be changed.

More information about the project <http://www.visualisationproject.eu>

### Presentation of every partner

We agreed we know each other, there's no need to introduce ourselves on every meeting.

Kristina prepared and showed us the presentation about the LAECLA Center and formal and non-formal education in Lithuania. Anna showed us presentation about formal and non-formal education in Latvia. Paolo presented the mission and tasks of AIB (Anti Forest Fires), voluntary organization working in Piedmont in Italy. Partners from Spain presented their activities and projects for people 55+. Partners were impressed with the idea to teach English not in regular classes, but teaching useful phrases during meetings with coffee in very friendly atmosphere. This kind of meetings take place in Italy and Spain.

Romanian partners presented some kind of their activities connected with ICT training. They prepared in Romania their own questionnaire for 50+ people and tested it. We also heard about the famous sculptor from Tg-jiu Constantin Brancusi.

Anna prepared also and upload on AWAKE dropbox folder **evaluation of communication** to use in the progress report for our National Agencies.

### Discussion about questionnaire

#### **Way of conducting:**

- Questionnaire should be filled in face to face by volunteers, respondents shouldn't fill it in independently

Partners agreed to make changes in the draft version of questionnaire prepared by the coordinator:

- Section **Place of residence** will be spread to 4 rubrics (rural/small town/medium town/big city) because of the differences between partners in every country
- In section **Employment status** was added "write profession"
- We changed order of questions: 4, 5, 6
- Partners agreed it'll be better not to ending the questionnaire if the answer to q. 5 will be NO, we should continue even after that answer
- To question 9, 10, 16 was added the sentence: "**You may select all, but please range your priorities**"
- About questions 12, 13, 14. Finally (thanks to Romanian partners and their solution) we didn't change the order of these questions, just a little changed the range.

- We agreed in some countries we need to ask (and then explain) what is volunteering. It was added to part IV of the questionnaire.
- Partners agreed to add q. 25 **“What field of volunteering are you interested in?”**

About number of questionnaires:

Coordinator proposed we could make more than 30 questionnaires, partners didn't agree, for some partnerships organizations could be hard to find so many seniors to ask in the survey.

Sample selection is not justified in so small number of questionnaires, so we decided to ask 15 females and 15 males, in this group should be:

Age 51-60 – 10 questionnaires,

Age 61-70 - 10 questionnaires,

Age 71-80 – 5 questionnaires ,

Age 81+ - 5 questionnaires,

and we consider about the third determinant connected with employment status.

### Dropbox, facebook

Some partners had problems using the dropbox and facebook. The coordinator showed how to move files and folders from the disc into dropbox folder. Because the facebook is more complicated, in case of difficulties partners should ask for help younger members of the organization or some other people. Facebook isn't useful to share files with each other, just to share information (links) about interesting international events, other projects, pictures etc.

### Brochure: “How to...”

The coordinator presented the idea to prepare till the end of the project duration tiny brochure with collected ideas of every partner called “How to...”. The coordinator showed an example prepared in Poznan “How to use the potential of institutions and organizations in education of 50+ people”. Using own experience every partner could create its own recipe connected with tasks of organization, to help other organizations/institutions how to successfully realize it's educational programme for seniors. All ideas could be collect and print in a brochure (4-6 pages). There's no set formula, every partner can create its own, which will be useful and fit best to their kind of work.

All partners liked the idea and **agreed on the next meeting in Madrid every partner should have it's own draft of “How to...”**.