



Aging With Active Knowledge and Experience

REPORT GRUNDTVIG PARTNERSHIP GROUP

Jelgava, 5th – 9th of June 2013

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GENERAL INFORMATION

Date of the meeting: June 5th – 9th

Places of the meeting: / Latvia

Hosting organization: Izglītības inovāciju pārneses centrs/ Education Innovations Transfer Centre/ Latvia

Participants present at the meeting:

- Centre for Senior Citizen Initiatives, Poznań (Poland)
 - Maria Sitarska
 - Monika Szelaġiewicz
 - Aleksandra Buchert
- Lithuania Adult Education Centres Leaders Association (Lithuania)
 - Kristina Martinavičiutė
 - Janina Maldžiūtė
 - Rasa Dauguvietytė
- Asociația Educativă de a Lungul Intregii Vieti, Tg-Jiu (Romania)
 - Popescu Henrieta Luiza
 - Nedelea Lăcrămioara Cristina
 - Popescu Ghoerghe
- Centro Servizi Per Il Volontariato V.S.S.P, Turin (Italy)
 - Nicolò Triacca
 - Nicoletta Tarducci
 - Paolo Maria Enrico Bregni
- Education Innovation Transfer Centre, Jelgava (Latvia)
 - Anna Vintere
 - Aivars Vinters
 - Ilze Balode
 - Evija Kopeika
 - Natalija Vronska
 - Jelena Korolova
 - Sarmīte Čerņajeva
 - Ginta Linīte
 - Mikus Vinters
 - Linda Butāne

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MEETING PROGRESS

The meeting was held in accordance with the agreed agenda:

- **6th of June** – events together with other LLT project in Latvia: adoption at the City Mayor, Maria's presentation on the overall benefits of the project, Grundtvig networking seminar “Contact exchange”, etc. The Grundtvig networking seminar was organized by three Grundtvig project implementers in Jelgava:

<i>Project title</i>	<i>Organizer/ Partners</i>	<i>Project objectives</i>
VISUALISATION Grundtvig Learning Partnership project	<i>Latvia University of Agriculture</i> Austria, Germany, Italy, Lithuania, Spain and Switzerland	The aims of creating and implementing language teaching methodologies in adult education.
AGING WITH ACTIVE KNOWLEDGE AND EXPERIENCE (AWAKE) Grundtvig Learning Partnership project	<i>NGO Education Innovations Transfer Centre</i> Poland, Italy, Lithuania, Rumania, Spain	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ Identify educational needs of people over 50; ▶ Improve teaching and developing the offer of education for people over the age of 50.
INTOOL <i>(IT IS NEVER TOO LATE LEARNING TO LEARN)</i> Grundtvig Multilateral project	<i>Zemgale NGO Centre</i> Germany, Greece, Italy, Spain, Romania	Its objective is to develop a set of materials (Tool Box) that trainers and adult educators can use to improve their activities with adult learners

- **7th of June** - work at Jelgava Pensioners' Association: presentations about Latvian pensioner education, sports and leisure possibilities; questionnaire final report as well as partners benefits within the project AWAKE
- **8th of June** – management group meeting on reporting, Riga sightseeing and project/meeting closing event as well as discussions on further development of cooperation. The concluding event was also attended by the representative of the Latvian National Agency (VIAA) Linards Deidulis.

To learn more about Jelgava and Latvia some cultural events were organized - tour in Jelgava, Rundale and Riga.

WORKSHOP ON CULTURE, NATURE AND PEOPLE

Workshop included two parts - preparation and presentations.

- In the first meeting day all the participants were divided into three groups - in group one representative from each country. Each group was given assignments throughout the day to get/ create a view of Jelgava three characteristics: culture, nature and people.
- The next day to groups were given time to prepare a visual presentation of the study. It was group work.
- Presentations were very nice and affectionate! Partners see Jelgava as the city where the past successfully connects to the future, symbolized by the City Bridge. Here's what else partners

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think about Jelgava. There are different religious confessions, museums, churches, cultural festivals (ice, sand), and a lot of gardens. But people were described as hospitable. Paolo Maria Enrico Bregni from Italy even wrote a poem about Jelgava!

WORKSHOP ON NEW CHALLENGERS

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Workshop also included group work, each country formed one group. Each group had to write one - three new project ideas and the possible activities/ results. In addition, one of which had to be linked to the project AWAKE (ideas, research results, results introduction in other countries etc.) - *New challengers in seniors' education in the partners' countries.*

Country	Project name	Activities
POLAND	VOLUNTARY CENTRES <i>(using NGO, seniors clubs – which already exist)</i>	Recruit NGO's ...
		Make a diagnosis of voluntary (elderly) needs
		Make/ prepare a <i>DAY OF VOLUNTEER</i> in each country
	TALK TO ME! <i>Motilities</i>	ICT courses for elderly
		Improving English skills courses
		Language exchange – using English as a common language
	FLYING UNIVERSITY <i>Motilities (small groups of seniors in not central located clubs etc.)</i>	Create an formation point
Visiting clubs with sharing data from 50+		
Cooperate with medics and prepare some free cheer-up, e.g., blood pleasure, sugar level ...		
PHOTOGRAPHY COURSES		
LITHUANIA	HEALTH AND BEAUTY	Rating habits
		Beauty lessons (how to look beautiful healthy and), healthy and body care, facial masks, make-up lessons as well.
		Body training activities
	COLLABORATION BETWEEN SENIORS AND YOUTH	Volunteering development
Experience exchange Result: Creating network of organizations		
ROMANIA	ACTIVE AGING WITH ACTIVE LEARNING	Promote volunteering between high-educated adults 50+
		Educational programme for 50+ adults (with low or medium level of education): using ICT in photography
	Result:	Involving the 50+ adults in the local community life New methods and instruments for non-formal and informal education (active learning)
ITALY	AWAKE 2.0 → YOUTH REVOLUTION	Translation and localization of practical tools, instruments and good practice and share at local level
		Intergenerational exchange
		Develop relationship with <i>SOCIAL STAKEHOLDER</i>

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LATVIA	PROJECT ON SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY	Mobility and partner organizations experience exchange
		Create recommendations for organizations evaluation
		<i>Result:</i> Guide “How to become as a social responsible organization”
	ICT WORKSHOPS TO IMPROVE SKILL FOR TRAINERS AND STUDENTS	Mobility (to Italy, Romania) – trainers/ teachers as a students
		ICT courses created in Romania, Italy introduce in Lithuania, Poland and Latvia
		Create methodology for adult non-formal ICT education
	PROJECT ON WOMEN'S RIGHTS	To take over the Spanish experience
		Courses for women on rights, self-esteem, etc. ...
Create EU network - educational organizations of the women's rights		

PROJECT EVALUATION

- Project partners agreed that the project has been very successful, achieved all the expected results, and initiated additional activities.
- For some of project partners (Poland, Romania, Latvia) AWAKE was the first international project. Organizations have grown up with the project. Thus, the experience and knowledge gained within the project will become a background for the further development of the organizations.
- The cooperation between partners can be characterized by several factors: the division of responsibilities; individual responsibility for project results; collective decision-making; discussions on the optimal decision; cooperation and cooperative culture; friendly, good relations.
- All partners have the opportunity for balanced participation in decision-making; understand and strive for common goal; show initiative; apply experience; express views; share information; participate in project activities; consultation event of difficulties; make mistakes and errors correct; work independently.
- During the project planning period and implementation (~ in three years) has formed a strong project management team:
 - Poland - excellent project managers;
 - Romania - experience and knowledge of the European Educational projects;
 - Italy - readiness to rapid change (frequency coordinators change);
 - Lithuania - willingness and ability to learn all the new.