



Grundtvig In-Service Training Course

Manager for virtual learning in the field of seniors' voluntary work in Europe

Face-to-face course in Ulm (Germany):
7th – 11th June 2010

With preparatory phase (online):
17th May – 4th June 2010
and review (via Internet forum):
14th – 25th June 2010

Course reference number in the Grundtvig database: DE-2010-1007-001

Cooperative learning via Internet – a new way of education in the field of voluntary work of seniors!

The new information and communication technologies, especially the Internet, allow innovative, interactive methods in obtaining information, in communication and in virtual cooperation. They are also relevant for the education of senior volunteers. Internet and virtual learning allow new forms of learner-focused European cooperation. Often used in the educational context is the combination of virtual and face-to-face learning - blended learning.

The course „Manager for virtual learning in the field of seniors' voluntary work in Europe“ (MVL) imparts basics for the integration of virtual learning in the programmes of seniors' education providers.



The Internet and its applications open several possibilities for the education of seniors, for example:

- online technical introductory course
- thematic e-learning courses and projects
- self-directed learning projects
- combination of face-to-face and virtual learning
- development of an e-community

and for the informal exchange of volunteers.

Get the didactic background for the initiation and the application of virtual learning as an innovative method in seniors' education!

Contents of the course:

- principles of virtual learning
- characteristics of the target group 50plus
- good practices in virtual learning
- technical application (learning- and communication possibilities)
- introduction in European project planning and cooperation
- planning of a virtual project

The face-to-face stage in Ulm (Germany) will be preceded by an online-course „Technical basis for virtual learning“ (TvL). This will provide the technical basis and the first joint experience in the context of the course.

Tutors from Ulm University, assistants from ZAWiW and external experts will consult you during the course in Ulm. You will also be in touch with senior students who will talk about their experiences.

After the face-to-face course in Ulm, the MVL-course will end with a review via the Internet forum.

The main language of the course will be English. German lectures will be translated.

The course addresses especially persons in charge and facilitators in the area of education of seniors in the field of voluntary work and is also transferable to general adult education.



“It was great to have learned so much in Ulm.”

(A participant from Luxemburg about the last course.)

If you do not live in Germany, you can apply for a scholarship for the participation in the course, the course fee and the travel costs at your National Agency via the Grundtvig program (Mobility of Individuals). Please apply by January 15th, 2010 at the latest.



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You will find a list of the National Agencies at:
http://ec.europa.eu/education/programmes/llp/national_en.html

The total cost of this course is 1440 €. The course fee of 750 € (including materials) as well as costs of board and accommodation of 690 € are included. Cost of travel is not included, travel is organised by the participants.

The down payment of € 200 is to be made with the registration for the course. In case of cancellation of the course by the organiser the payment will be returned, but not in the case of cancellation of the registration by the participant.



Schedule of the course

15th January 2010

Final date for the application at your National Agency

17th March 2010

Closing date for the registration at ZAWiW

17th May 2010 – 4th June 2010

Preparatory phase via TvL (online)

7th – 11th June 2010

Face-to-face phase in Ulm

(arrival: 6th of June, departure 12th of June 2010)

14th - 25th June 2010 Review (online)



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Contact

In case of any questions about the course please contact the organising institution, the Centre for General Scientific Continuing Education of Ulm University (shortly: ZAWiW):



**ZAWiW, Ulm University, Oberer Eselsberg
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Ask ZAWiW staff for the registration form and other information: Gabriela Körting (Gabriela.koerting@uni-ulm.de) and Ralph Schneider (ralph.schneider@uni-ulm.de).

Closing date for the course registration is 17th March 2010. If the minimum number of participants is not reached and the course has to be cancelled you will be informed by 13th of April, 2010.

Course information in the ZAWiW website:
www.uni-ulm.de/uni/fak/zawiw/seminare/en

Course information in the Grundtvig database:
<http://ec.europa.eu/education/trainingdatabase/search.cfm>
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