Would you like to be a part of developing a digital reference work for language teachers?



Target group: Language teachers in adult education

Period: 2014-2016 (application deadline 1 March 2014)

Aim

To enable language teachers to use digital media and subsequently provide modern, participant-oriented and diverse teaching.

By joining the project you will be involved in further development of an already existing tool so that it can be used on an international basis. You will have ownership of this tested and well-functioning teaching tool but you will also be responsible for further development of it, as well as being involved in creating a supplementary collection of material.

The budgetary framework and self-financing

The application has to be done through Nordplus Voksen - the budget is approximately 60,000 Euros. The self-financing is dependent on the number of participating institutions but will be between 2000 and 5000 Euros.

Partners:

The project is a follow-up of a strong collaboration between Folkeuniversitet Sweden, Folkeuniversitet in Norway and Studieskolen in Copenhagen - the largest language suppliers in the third sector in the three countries. We are looking for language schools and other teaching institutions which teach foreign languages to adult participants.

Content

As part of the project we will develop a learning platform for language teachers which include both pedagogical tools and relevant supplementary teaching material.

The final platform will consist of 2 main elements:

1 A language-based pedagogical reference work consisting of 3 parts:

a) A basic pedagogical reference work which will provide the language teachers with concrete tips and tricks for their daily teaching. For example, "10 ways to start the lesson", "10 good ways to wrap up the lesson", "10 ways to work with writing skills", and so on.

b) A language-based pedagogical certificate: This consists of 13 modules and will provide the language teachers with basic knowledge of the use of digital media, as well as how to use it to add an extra dimension to the lessons. The certificate has been completed in Danish and has been tested for 2 years on approximately 40 courses with a total of almost 400 satisfied participants.

c) A digital toolbox including a number of already-tested digital media elements which have made a significant contribution to the individual teachers' pedagogical repertoire.

These elements will be ready in January 2014 and will be a part of the project. Our goal with the project is then to continue developing these tools so they can be used on an international basis.

2 A digital material bank for teaching in the main European languages

This part of the project will include developing, testing and evaluating.

The most important aspect in both categories is to focus on quality, not quantity: all tools will be tested and adapted to the teachers' concrete needs. Only the best tools will be chosen and will be able to be applied both directly and easily.

Would you like to know more? Please do not hesitate to contact me: