

Minutes of the 7th Meeting of INNLANC held at SCILT, Strathclyde University, Glasgow Thursday 13 – Friday 14 June 2013

Participants:

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Wales (CILT Cymru): C. James

Apologies:

Finland (RULE), Observer: K. Haataja
Norway (Fremmedspråksenteret): S. Nybøle

Programme

I. Welcome by SCILT: Sarah Breslin, Director.

II. Round table presentation from each country:

All members updated the group on issues and progress in their respective country during 2012-2013.

a. Austria (see PPP)

CoE: Languages in/for Education ÖSZ: <i>Chancengerechte Wissensvermittlung in Deutsch als Unterrichtssprache</i> (CHAWID)	National project (derived from Council of Europe / <i>Languages in/for Education</i>) on <i>reflective language-sensitive content teaching</i> : text books and materials need scaffolding to support acquisition of <i>Bildungssprache</i> , esp. for learners from vulnerable groups; Aim: successful school careers for all learners.
Communication from the Ministry for Education: <i>Konzept für eine umfassende Sprachförderung</i>	Communication from the Ministry for Education, the Arts and Culture on language support (<i>Sprachförderung</i>): - basic principles: equal opportunities for all, social inclusion

	- main goal: provide tailor-made support for different needs: German as 2nd language, <i>Bildungssprache</i>, support in the mother tongue (to create multilingualism), enhance “literacy“ - pillars: language-sensitive input in all subjects (teaching), language support as early as possible, focus on individualised (regional) support models, create learner-friendly environments (parents, kindergarden, school).
ECML mediation project PIU	INNAC members will be contacted by PIU team for national activities for the promotion of plurilingual and intercultural education and recommendations for experts for the 2014 international workshop on implementing ECML products/publications. http://www.ecml.at/M2/tabid/988/language/en-GB/Default.aspx

- b. France (see PPP)
- c. Hungary (see <http://prezi.com/egg2owpg8jkg/presentation-of-recent-project-activities-of-tpf/>)
- d. Norway
- e. Sweden (see PPP)
- f. Switzerland (see PPP)
- g. Wales
- h. Scotland (see PPP):

Each INNAC member is in a different position in respect of the status of any policy on languages in their country. Several common key issues emerged:

- How to implement new ideas, new products, new materials, etc. successfully?
- How to foster literacy skills (of esp. vulnerable groups)?
- How to motivate students to learn languages?

III. Discussion:

- a. Scottish ELP: SCILT will send out draft version to INNAC group for feedback
- b. Examples of innovations / recommendations:
 - i. Show innovative results!
 - ii. Win hearts and minds of those who should get on board!
 - iii. Cover deep learning rather than fastfood learning!
 - iv. Provide central information before implementation can take place successfully!

- v. Danger: if changes are done in politics without consultation of teachers and other people involved > this will backfire in the long-run!
- vi. Doing good PR for implementation: get routines (e.g. annual calendar), make people comfortable; establish communication strategies such as tailoring communication to target group and helping teachers in making their lives easier; send staff to media classes; go local with media coverage; celebrate success more!

IV. Keeping in touch / INNLAC 2014 / Actions

- a. Members agreed on keeping chatweek; chatweek needs follow-up > will be organised by current chair (AT).
- b. Members who do not have access to AGORA platform, please contact Olivier Steffen to receive access details.
- c. INNLAC mailing list (innlac@listes.ciep.fr): representatives of both full members and observing members please confirm to Olivier that you are on it > to make an update.
- d. INNLAC 2014 will be held in Switzerland; dates agreed: **12-13 June 2014**.