## Participant's report

# to the National Nominating Authority and the National Contact Point

### **Meeting report**

In the three weeks after the event, please complete this report. It contains two sections:

Reporting: this is intended as a feedback on the event, on what was learnt, on how the
event will affect your work and on how it will be disseminated. In addition to the ECML
National Nominating Authority and the National Contact Point in your country the ECML
will use the report<sup>1</sup> in the "Experts involved in ECML activities" section of each ECML
member state website (please see http://contactpoints.ecml.at).

This section should be written in one of the project's working languages.

2. Public information: this is intended as an information on the ECML project and its expected value for your country. The content should be of interest for a larger audience. Thus it should link up to interesting publications, websites, events etc. which were discussed on the occasion of the workshop or which are relevant in your country. The public information should be a short, promotional text of about 200 words.

This section should be written in (one of) your national language(s).

#### The completed file should be sent to

- the ECML National Nominating Authority and the National Contact Point in your country (contact details can be found at http://www.ecml.at/aboutus/members.asp)
- and in copy to ECML Secretariat (Erika.komon@ecml.at)

within the given deadline.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Only if you authorised the ECML to publish your contact details.





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Title of ECML project	Language for Work Workshop		
ECML project website	LfW		
Date of the event	June 24 <sup>th</sup> and 25 <sup>th</sup> 2015		
Brief summary of the content of the workshop	<ul> <li>Presentation of ECML and what the organization can offer</li> <li>Presentation of some good examples of teaching practice to enhance language skills for working life</li> <li>Presentation of LfW website</li> <li>Group work on the topic Language for Work</li> <li>Poster session</li> </ul>		
What did you find particularly useful?	Actually, I found something to learn from all the presentations mentioned in the three first bullet points above. I also enjoyed the group work. It was useful to compare practises and think of new ideas. Personally, I would have preferred more time for this instead of using time on the poster session.		
How will you use what you learnt/ developed in the event in your professional context?	I am the leader of a national network of leaders of adult training centres offering language courses to immigrants and refugees that want to learn Norwegian well enough to obtain work or get an education to be able to obtain work later on. Therefore, it is valuable for me to see how this work is organized and performed in other European countries. By comparing the examples of different practises in Europe to our own in Norway, I get a new perspective on what I think we do well in Norway and what we might need to improve. I will inform about the workshop and its contents on the web site of our organisation. We have the leaders of 90 adult training centres as our members, and I do not think that knowledge about the European Centre for Modern Languages is very common. I had never heard about it until VOX urged us to participate in the workshop.		





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	I am also the leader of an adult training centre for 240 students from all over the world. Naturally, I will also use some of the examples of how to organize more language training specifically toward a particular working area to help our students to develop language skills needed for a particular type of job. I particularly got inspired by the Swedish example presented by Kerstin Sjösvärd.
How will you further contribute to the project?	I honestly do not know. I am not really in position to decide if I can involve myself in further work. Our organisation was, as I mentioned earlier, asked by colleagues at VOX to participate in this particular workshop. Maybe VOX want to have the contact to ECML. I will report to VOX about my participation in the workshop in Graz.
How do you plan to disseminate the project?  - to colleagues - to a professional association - in a professional journal/website - in a newspaper - other	<ul> <li>to colleagues</li> <li>to professional associations - IKVO (Municipal Adult Education Assosiation) and VOX (Norwegian Agency for Lifelong Learning)</li> <li>to IKVO's website</li> </ul>



#### 1. Public information

Short text (about 200 words) for the promotion of the ECML event, the project and the envisaged publication with a focus on the benefits for target groups. This text should be provided in your national language(s) to be used for dissemination (on websites, for journals etc.).

Language for Work (LfW) Worksop 24. og 25. juni 2015.

Europeisk senter for moderne språk i Graz i Østerrike arrangerte en workshop i juni 2015 om å tilrettelegge språkinnlæring med formål om å forbedre og spisse voksenes språkkunnskaper slik at de i større grad kan lykkes med å komme inn i arbeidsmarkedet og bli der. Se lenke: http://www.ecml.at/I2/Events/tabid/896/Default.aspx

Det deltok deltakere fra mange europeiske land. Fra Norge møtte Aud Aastorp, leder av IKVO.

Program for workshopen følger vedlagt, men de viktigste punktene på agendaen var:

- Presentasjon av ECML hva organisasjonen arbeider med og hva slags læringsressurser det er mulig å få tilgang på gjennom organisasjonen
- Presentasjon av gode eksempler fra praksisfeltet: Hvordan undervise språk på en slik måte at språket blir et nyttig verktøy i arbeidslivet. Her ble det lagt mye vekt på fordelen med å undervise på arbeidsplassen
- Presentasjon av Language for Learnings webside: <a href="http://languageforwork.ecml.at/">http://languageforwork.ecml.at/</a>
  - Siden er ment som et ressurssenter med praktisk verktøy, teoretisk/analytisk materiell og relevante linker.
- Gruppearbeid der deltakerne utvekslet erfaringer, eksempler, gode idéer

Forventet utbytte av workshopen for deltakerne skulle være:

- Tilgang til et profesjonelt europeisk nettverk for dette fagfeltet.
- Større forståelse for voksnes læring i en yrkeskontekst i ulike land i Europa.
- Større bevissthet og forståelse for betydningen av å utvikle den språklige ferdigheten til å være et effektivt verktøy i arbeidslivet.



