

DEMAL

Designing, monitoring and evaluating adult learning classes
Supporting quality in adult learning

What's new?

Launching of the E-learning courses

The DEMAL e-learning courses for the development of two key competences of teachers and trainers of adults were successfully launched on March and April 2018 respectively.

The first DEMAL course dealt with the first competence of Design of Adult Learning courses. It provided adult educators professionals the didactic resources needed for the design of the training activities according with the detailed competences profile described in DEMAL project.

The e-learning course has successfully been completed, with 93 participants taking part. Participants' evaluation of the e-learning course was very satisfying. The participants evaluated positively the course design, the training material and the e-learning facilitator. Some of their comments;

"The course is highly recommendable. It will help interested people to create useful courses which are appropriate for adult learners"

"Demal e-learning course is a very good starting point for getting into the terms, definitions, way of thinking and tools for a 360o design of a training programme"

"The course was very well organised and offered a great deal of additional resources. The information was logically structured"

The second DEMAL course, Evaluation of Adult Education and Training activities, is still ongoing and will run until the 24th of June 2018.

1st DEMAL Workshop

The DEMAL workshop on Design was piloted the week 14th – 18th May in Bilbao, Spain, within the Fondo Formación Euskadi premises and with the help of trainers Lorena Bilbao and Magdalena Balica. The trainees consisted of participants from various countries: Spain, Greece, Hungary, Romania, Germany and Switzerland.



The workshop had a duration of five days / 30 hours and consisted mainly of practical application of skills and competences, through case studies, role play games and projects. The course was structured in units of learning outcomes, following the competence profile.

The evaluation of the workshop was in overall positive. The training course design was considered very good relevant to a transnational and diverse audience, appropriate for adult learners and with a good mix of theoretical contents and practical exercises. The participants specifically liked the different activities and games.

4th Project Meeting in Bilbao

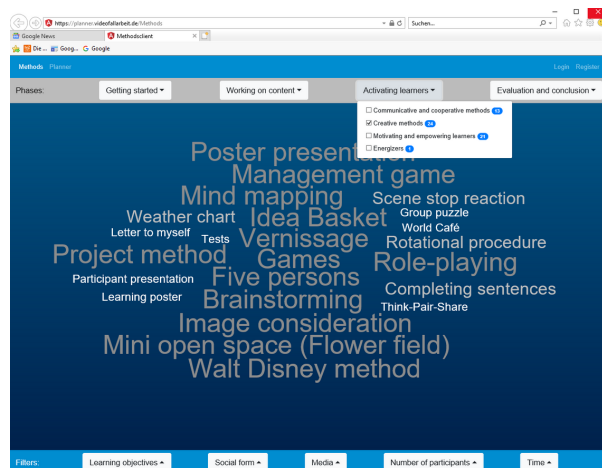
The fourth DEMAL project meeting took place in May 2018 in Bilbao. It was hosted by FFE and it took place in parallel with the training workshop.

The project partners discussed the work plan and agreed on the further steps to be taken. A major focus was the piloting and finalisation of the two training courses.

Final version of Course Planning App

To support adult trainers' competence and practice in designing adult learning processes DEMAL is developing a digital course planning app. The app facilitates the course planning process by supporting trainers in selecting appropriate methods for various training settings on the basis of pedagogical criteria.

The prototype of the app was tested with 100 users from the DEMAL partner countries in summer 2017 and met with high interest and positive feedback. The app was further developed and was included in one unit of the training course on design.



Following the user survey in spring 2018, an enhanced version of the App is currently being finalized. It will feature amongst others a considerably enlarged repertoire of methods and additional filter criteria as well as a planning tool. The final version will be available in English around July 2018, an in all partner languages by the end of the project, in September 2018

Finalisation of the two courses

The pilot e-learning and workshops of the two courses "Design of adult learning courses" and "Evaluation of adult learning activities" will finish by the end of June.

The next step will be the review of all training material and the translation into the different languages.

All courses learning material will be made available in English, German, Spanish, Hungarian and Greek language in the project website.

Final conference DEMAL

The final conference of the DEMAL project will take place on 25 September 2018 in Bonn, Germany. It addresses adult education practitioners as well as researchers with an interest in the topics course design in adult education and evaluation and monitoring of adult learning.

The conference will offer an opportunity to learn more about the DEMAL research findings and practical outputs and to discuss future development perspectives in the fields of design and evaluation of adult learning.

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