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Monitoring and publication notes on eSchool4S network project implementation progress

Third and Final Annual Conference in Stuttgart



The Stuttgart Conference aimed to show network final results to a wider public. In this case, seven guests did, in fact, complete a questionnaire in which participants were asked to evaluate the following aspects of the conference on a scale of 1-6.

1. *The level of pre-conference information was.*
2. *My expectations of the conference were fulfilled.*
3. *In the context of eSchool4S, the content of the Conference was.*
4. *The working atmosphere during the conference was.*
5. *There were good opportunities to discuss related important issues during the conference.*
6. *The make-up of participants was beneficial to good, topic-related discussions.*
7. *The conference venue was....*

On the scale of 6 the highest score was 1 with the lowest being 6. Overall, the results were highly satisfactory. In all areas the mean rate was between 1 & 2.

In addition, participants were asked to add comments on the greatest benefits for their professional activities and the expectations concerning the exploitation of experiences. There was also an opportunity to add further comments.

There were some completely positive comments pointing out the benefits of the conference such as the possibility to maintain eSchool4S, gaining insights into the impacts of education, teaching and learning contexts on sustainability & freedom in the Danube region, meeting colleagues from many countries having with shared aims and values. One guest stressed how valuable it is that the work of eSchool will continue through the Landeszentrale für Politische Bildung & one partner from Slovakia. There was also a reference to the advantage of promoting English skills as an important result.

There were recommendations that the platform should be used to motivate students and that the whole school concept must be implemented as far as possible.

The consortium were asked to complete an online questionnaire and there were 13 responses.

One of the core questions was:

Question 3: Opportunity to contribute to Conference goals

There was 92.3 satisfaction in this area:



And a number of comments were added:

- All partners had an active part and were able to contribute with their ideas and insights to the conference. This was a very nice experience.
- I think each of the partners had a role in the programme and that was appreciated.

- I was able to contribute for the purpose of finalizing the project with my performance at the conference.

Question 6: Satisfaction with follow-up measures

At 76.9%, this is the lowest rate of satisfaction:



Some of those satisfied commented that:

- It was highlight that the partners GIZ and AINOVA managed to find two great solutions to ensure sustainability of the project approach, i.e. that teh E-Learning-Courses continue to be used and disseminated in the future.
- Further development of platform by all partner countries to make the results sustainable.
- I am not aware of specific conference folow-up measures.

All those less satisfied took the time to offer explanations:

- There have some consensus that a measure of follow-up is informative for the interpretation of the interests. Our focus is not on characterizing the event relative to its estimate, but on the overall implementation of the project. The concept of stability has not been well-defined, which has led to lack of variety of measures of follow-up.
- Further development of platform by all partner countries to make the results sustainable.
- It seems to me that there should be more follow-up measures and all partners should be involved actively.
- Networking among partners has to sustain by all means in the future in order to motivate each other for further promoting the project.

This is the most disappointing result; however, this is an area where the consortium will continue to work & have the opportunity to enhance strategies.

Question 11: Useful achievements

All questionnaire participants offered detailed comments

- Motivation for the future:
 - The fact that participants and partners were strongly motivated to continue supporting the project approach in different contexts in the future. The project won't finish but continue to live in different contexts which is a remarkable achievement.
 - Looking back all partners together at the project results, and seeing it as success story worth spreading out and disseminating.
 - Recognising the importance of teacher involvement and motivation.

- We received ideas and models for the maintenance and expansion of the network.
- New contacts
- Specifically regarding the Moodle courses:
 - The replication of the course on different other moodle platforms (AINOVA and LpB).
 - official opening of new platform, two stakeholders maintaining the platform.
 - Definitive confirmation of the transfer of Moodle courses to the two new sites.
 - The fact that the Landesakademie and AINOVA are taking over the responsibility for the moodle platform.

Meeting

Question 6: Satisfaction with understanding of next steps for the final report

6 colleagues allotted ten points, 3 nine, 3 eight and 1 seven.

Question 7: Indications for the final report

Here there were four requests were voiced and some other points raised:

- A request for the minutes as soon as possible
- A request that all partners submit qualitative contributions on time
- A request for information about dissemination in the partner countries
- A request to keep the web-site active – through the Bulgarian partners or in another way
- Praise for the clarity
- Wishes for success for the final steps!
- The preparation of the financial report is very demanding.

Overall, at this stage there seems to be satisfaction with the progress with the weakest perceive areas around communication.