

MEETING REPORT

OF THE THIRD MEETING OF THE GRUNDTVIG PARTENERSHIP “MIND THE GAP”

(KRISTIANSAND, NORWAY, 4 – 5 JUNE 2009)



1. Info and start by Ellen.
2. The partners discussed the results of an evaluation questionnaire they answered about the development of the project. These are the most important aspects:
 - It's important to limit the visits in the following meetings in Germany and Netherlands. Let's look at new ways of looking at the work and methodology of "social skills". We need time to work and take in the experiences.
 - Many of the partners have difficulties in involving the students and clients in the Project. We try to involve our students and partners when we arrange the meeting, and then try to include what we learn in our day to day work. Slowly we might be able to change the way we work on the project.

- We must remember to advertise the project to our colleges and partners in our area.

3. Newsletter and webpage

- There has unfortunately been delays in the Newsletters, because of technical problems and delay in the answers from the partners. We must improve and send our answers back in time!
- We leave the webpage as it is. It looks good and gives information about our Project.

4 The final Product.

- What should the Project look like? (Paper,CD-rom, etc.) We can decide on a format of the Final Product when we meet in Holland. For now it is important that each Country think about what we can bring into the final product. What is unique for our institution? How do we successfully work on the subject of Social Skills with our participants?
- We should start thinking about what we want to put into the Product. **We have to take photographs, and document activities, methods and other things that we later can use in the final project.** The more we can collect of tips, pictures, film, examples, and methodology etc. the better for the final Product!



5. Topic of this meeting on Social Skills:

1 *Interpersonal Communication*

2 *Conflict Resolution*

- 1. Interpersonal Communication. We discussed and presented each partners definition and methods of our work on the subject of Interpersonal Communication.
- 2. Conflict resolution. We discussed and presented each partners definition and methods of our work on the subject of Conflict resolution.
- The results of this work are showed in the 3dr newsletter.

6. We talked about the Intermediate report that each partner needs to send to their national Agency. We agreed on some achievement, problems, etc. we have had in the project.

7. We had an activity lead by the Germans. It was called “The tower of Babel”. There were a sender and a receiver. The receiver had to build something with wooden bricks with the instruction from the sender and they could not see each other.



8. Next meeting in the Netherlands this year: Nov. 18. – Nov. 22

The topic for the meeting will be: *Job application training*.

After a discussion we agreed that each Partner should present the way we work on *Counseling students/clients/participants* and use *Job application training* as a way of improving social skills. We will bring this to the meeting in The Netherlands and present it there.

9. The last meeting will be celebrated in Germany in April 2010.