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On December 14, 2020 at EPALE - Electronic Platform for Adult Learning in Europe an article appeared on Interactive Toolkit - language teacher training model at European level.

Link to the article:

<https://epale.ec.europa.eu/pl/node/165289?>

Interactive Toolkit - language teacher training model at European level

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This toolkit provides a comprehensive collection of learning materials, open education resources, methodological guidelines and examples of best practices for the construction of a foreign language teacher training model at European level. This initiative falls within the frame of the VIRTEACH Erasmus+ project. A Virtual Solution for a comprehensive and coordinated training for foreign language TEACHERS in Europe. This toolkit is mainly aimed at lecturers, professors, teachers and researchers in the field of Higher Education. It is freely available and hosted in the project website: www.virteachproject.eu. The partners of the VIRTEACH project have joined efforts to collect materials, resources and best practices to offer an innovative teacher training approach. The materials included in this toolkit have been selected attending to relevance, adequateness and consistency with the current curricula. In addition, this toolkit includes methodological guidelines, evaluation rubrics, recommended literature and research papers for further reading. Based on existing knowledge and partners' expertise and collaboration, this interactive toolkit comprises a collection of resources, practices and guidelines for foreign language teachers. To this aim, this toolkit includes a systematic literature and research review, with examples of good practices for implementation in foreign language teaching programmes and Master's Degrees.



Resource Details

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Challenges of Teaching Intercultural Communication (Ramona Mihaila, Professor, Ph.D.,) and Images and Visuals in Teaching Vocabulary

During the 5th edition of the International Conference dedicated to linguistic and pedagogical current issues, organized on November 19-20, 2020, in Poltava, Ukraine, V Міжнародної науково-практичної конференції «АКТУАЛЬНІ ПИТАННЯ ЛІНГВІСТИКИ, ПРОФЕСІЙНОЇ ЛІНГВОДИДАКТИКИ, ПСИХОЛОГІЇ І ПЕДАГОГІКИ ВИЩОЇ ШКОЛИ» our colleagues from the partner university Dimitrie Cantemir Christian University, Bucharest, Romania presented two papers – Challenges of Teaching Intercultural Communication (Ramona Mihaila, Professor, Ph.D.,) and Images and Visuals in Teaching Vocabulary (Onorina Botezat, Associate Professor Ph.D.,) related to their research conducted within the project and disseminated the VIRTEACH Project.

V Міжнародна науково-практична конференція "Актуальні питання лінгвістики, професійної лінгводидактики, психології і педагогіки вищої школи"



Challenges of Teaching Intercultural Communication

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Images and Visuals in Teaching Vocabulary

Dr. Onorina Botezat, Ph.D., Associate Professor and Director of the Center for Linguistic and Intercultural Research, Dimitrie Cantemir Christian University (Bucharest, Romania)

3-day Virteach online Learning Activity

On February 22-24, an online training took place.
Collegium Balticum hosted students of English Philology from:
ES Spain,
PT Portugal,
RO Romania,
BE Belgium
and PL Poland.

The course was aimed at improving the language qualifications.
The VIRTEACH team has designed the “21st Century Foreign Language Teacher Training Course”. It is a friendly and easy-to-use online course that offers innovative approaches and resources to language teacher education. This course, embedded in a Virtual Learning Environment, is a suitable tool to monitor foreign language student teachers’ education. It is also a lifelong learning platform for experienced teachers of languages.

The screenshot shows a Zoom meeting interface. The main window displays a PDF document titled "Participants - Learning Activity - How to Access The Course.pdf" in Adobe Acrobat Reader DC. The document content includes the VIRTEACH logo and the heading "Learning Activity How to Access The Course - Participants". It outlines the "1ST STEP - ACCOUNT CREATION (If not done yet)" with two instructions: 1. Access the following link: <https://cursos.lusofona-x.pt/>; 2. Sign Up/Register with your email: Below this, there is a form with "Explore courses", "Register", and "Sign in" buttons, and a language dropdown menu set to "English". A third instruction is partially visible: "3. Access your email and activate your account, via confirmation email:". The right side of the Zoom window shows a video gallery with several participants, including "Onorina Botezat", "amr", "Bruno Lino", and "ALINA". The top of the Zoom window shows "Recording" and "You are viewing Collegium Balticum's screen".

I European Conference on Foreign Language Teacher Education

In recent months, the Consortium has focused on preparing Final Conference to be held on June 24 and 25, 2021.

This 2-day conference is a meeting place and platform for researchers, teacher educators, policy makers and teachers from all over Europe. It combines inspiring keynotes, a wide variety of papers on research and practice, problems and advancements of foreign language teacher education, and active working sessions in a stimulating and friendly atmosphere. Hosted by the University of Burgos (Spain), this conference will provide a venue for the following activities:

- Presentation and discussion of the outputs of the VIRTEACH project.
- Presentations by researchers and practitioners on innovative experiences in the education of foreign language teachers.
- Discussion fora involving policy makers on convergent policy design for foreign language teacher training.
- Identification of new issues and future directions in the training of foreign language teachers in Europe.
- Practical Workshops: 21st Century Foreign Language Teacher Training Course and Interactive Digital Notepad.

More information: <http://virteachproject.eu/final-conference/>



The poster features the VIRTEACH logo at the top left and the European Union flag at the top right. The main title 'I European Conference on Foreign Language Teacher Education' is positioned above the large, bold text 'VIRTEACH Final Conference'. Below the title, it states 'A Free Online Event (Multiplier Event) 24-25 June, 2021' and provides the same URL as the text above. A circular inset image shows a speaker at a podium addressing an audience in a modern lecture hall.

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