

“Integration, Volunteerism and Adult Learning, through an Intercultural Pathway” - IVALIP

2nd Partnership Meeting Report

Poland - Warsaw, February 21-24, 2009

The second partnership meeting was hosted by Polish Humanitarian Organization and held in Warsaw, from February 21st to 24th, 2009.

Objectives of the meeting:

- Presentation and share of the search about educational and learning methodologies for adult learners in lifelong learning;
- Presentation of the volunteer’s life cycle in each partner organization;
- Presentation of the matrix of the newsletter, brochure, and the web-site, decision about the materials for dissemination (web-site, newsletter, flyer);
- Organize the train-the-trainer seminar structure and decide about contents;
- Prepare the next phase activities.

Description of the activities, according to the meeting programme:

Saturday, February 21st

On Saturday at 5.30 P.M. partners from 3 countries (unfortunately partners from Slovakia and Turkey arrived in Poland later that evening) have met for a welcoming supper with traditional polish dishes. Then we have decided upon our Sunday schedule and went for a walk around Warsaw Old Town.

Sunday, February 22nd

On Sunday morning all partners have met in the hotel and then were taken to the office of Polish Humanitarian Organization to see the common room of Refugee Counseling Center where all of the meetings concerning the project took place. On the first day meeting we discussed the schedule of partners staying in Poland and all the uncertainties that had occurred during the e-mail contact. Before lunch, 4 partners (Lithuania, Turkey, Portugal and Poland) showed their presentations on teaching adults in their countries.

After lunch everybody were taken on a guide trip around the st. Krakowskie Przedmieście and Powiśle. After short coffee break we went on the 30th floor of Science and Culture Palace to see the view of Warsaw just before night.

Monday, February 23rd

On Monday, before the second meeting with GG, Polish Humanitarian Organization department member has explained the area of work of PHO. During the meeting Slovakian partners showed the methods of teaching adults in their country. Then, all of the partners conducted a presentation on volunteers in particular organizations and the countries of their origins.

After lunch we went to the Warsaw Rising Museum showing one of the most important events in history of the capital, as well as being the most modern museum in Poland.

On the after lunch meeting we have seen a project website proposed by Lithuanian partners. We have discussed the needed colour changes and a new folder with useful links. We have also come to a conclusion that the website should be ready until the middle of March and newsletter should be made and

send at the beginning of April. Partners from Turkey have showed their proposition on the brochure which was instantly accepted.

Tuesday, February 24th

On the last day we have discussed all the needed details of the next stay in Lithuania, completed and updated the e-mail contact list, and summarized all the decisions and dates with which we have came up during the last days:

- keeping constant e-mail contact;
- sending presentations on teaching methods and volunteer work to the partners from Portugal;
- website should be running in the middle of March;
- first Newsletter should be sent at the beginning of April;
- till the end of March all of the needed details for train-the-trainer seminar should be sent to Portuguese partners;
- in April partners from Lithuania and Portugal will discuss details of the meeting in May in Lithuania.

After the meeting we took a second guide trip around the Warsaw, this time we saw the old part of Warsaw on the right side of river Vistula.

After lunch we met again to fill the questionnaire and receive certificates of participation in the meeting.

All the partners have met again to end the stay with traditional polish supper.

Next stop: Lithuania