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If you are part of a language project (or have already completed one) then please consider clustering your results with us and other language teaching projects. Through cooperation we can reach out to our end users and thus cause a significant impact. By sharing information and results we avoid reinventing the wheel.

Methods is a Leonardo supported ToI (Transfer of Innovation) project based on the BP-BLTM project, which delivered manuals with descriptions of five communicative language teaching methods complete with teaching materials ready to use in classes. The manuals were complemented with videos demonstrating the five methods. It is the aims of pools-m to adapt and transfer the materials for use in France (Guadeloupe), Malta, and Slovenia as well as to develop materials for teaching these languages. But it is also our objective to cluster with other language projects.

Let the Methods website serve as a portal and link to your results. From the website you also have access to copyleft language teaching materials and methods manuals that you may include in your own projects.

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The project Products include:
A video library (DVD and online) with commented recordings of the methods used in classes. The videos will have subtitles in French, Maltese, and Slovenian.

A manual with method descriptions, instructions and ready to copy and use materials in French, Maltese, and Slovenian.

A Course guide for teacher training courses on how to use the methods

Ready to use materials for teaching French, Maltese, and Slovenian based on the different language teaching methods.

A guide for students preparing for work placement and mobility

Pilot courses for teachers accros Guadeloupe, Malta, and Slovenia

A website with all the materials ready for download for free, e.g. manual, guides, teaching materials, and videos (in streaming format).

The project website is www.languages.dk/methods a website which already has +100,000 individual visitors per year (and when searching for "language teaching methods" the site is well positioned on page one in Bing, Yahoo and Google).

Methods is a Leonardo supported ToI project. The co-funded period is from October 1st 2013 to September 30th 2015

The methods the project is based on are: Computer Assisted Language Learning in context. Task Based Teaching. Tandem Learning. Simulations. Phyemoc (Physical, emotional, and cultural approach).

All manuals and materials are „copyleft" which means that they may be copied, repurposed and edited as long as the new versions are also „copyleft".

Needs documentation: Improvements in language teaching methods have not been fully applied in VET and there is little communication in the target languages: "Teaching guidelines for foreign languages place emphasis on all communication skills – yet both teachers and students make infrequent use of the target language in the classroom" Eurydice Key Data on Teaching Languages at School in Europe 2012".

According to a Eurobarometer survey "Difficulty with foreign languages is by far the most feared problem when young Europeans contemplate working or studying abroad". Language proficiency is a key instrument for a common understanding between citizens of Europe and for exploiting the rich cultural heritage of Europe.

The project builds on results from a previous project (BP-BLTM) as well as results from other projects; the partnership will search for projects e.g. involved in CLIL (Content and Language Integrated Learning) and seek to cluster with these projects to ensure exchange of expertise and results and achieve broader impacts through joint dissemination.