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## From rhetoric to reality: The Charter on Lifelong Learning two years after Lille (FR), 18-20 November 2010

<http://www.eucen.eu/Lille2010>



In 2008, EUA drafted a Charter on LLL for European universities and governments. This Charter was adopted by European universities as a basis for further development and implementation of European strategies and presented to the ministers responsible for HE in November 2008, in Bordeaux. This new preoccupation of EUA extends what EUCEN has tried to promote actively for years. But currently, as Lifelong Learning is becoming a "fashionable issue" and a reference for national and European policies on education and training, the problem is that the

concept of LLL is becoming progressively confusing.

***EUCEN thinks that it is now time, on the basis of our common experience, our initiatives and actions and the results of our projects, to contribute more concretely to the implementation of LLL strategies in HEIs.***

That is the main objective of the EUCEN's Conference in Lille in November: **to move "from rhetoric to reality"**.

Our intention, is to provide to all HE actors working on LLL a space for:

- exchanges and discussions on propositions and recommendations for further developments;
- preparation of new projects for concrete actions

to start/accelerate/deepen processes at work.

Our intention is to demonstrate that in this moving landscape, EUCEN, thanks to its membership, can become the main contributor to making this powerful perspective a reality.

Thus, with such an interesting and important background, with the forthcoming discussion and debate, *we recommend that you book the dates in your diary and make sure that you do not to miss this important event.*

The conference website and on-line registration will be available in the coming weeks.



## Making LLL a reality

PROJECT WEBSITE: <http://www.compass.eucen.eu/>

SURVEY: [http://www.unipark.de/uc/EUCEN\\_COMPASS\\_Survey/](http://www.unipark.de/uc/EUCEN_COMPASS_Survey/)

*Where do the Universities really stand concerning LLL strategies? and, What is happening in European institutions in their every day practice?*

The replies to these and other questions will be collected and analysed by EUCEN in its COMPASS-LLL project and will help us understanding the state of play of LLL strategy development and implementation regarding the 10 commitments of the European

University Charter on LLL.

You, that are directly involved in LLL at your institution, are the ideal person to participate in our survey. *Is your institution adopting or trying to adopt the 10 commitments? Have you noticed any change of priorities since the Charter was published?*

Please visit the above link to the survey and fill it in. Your contribution will make a difference.



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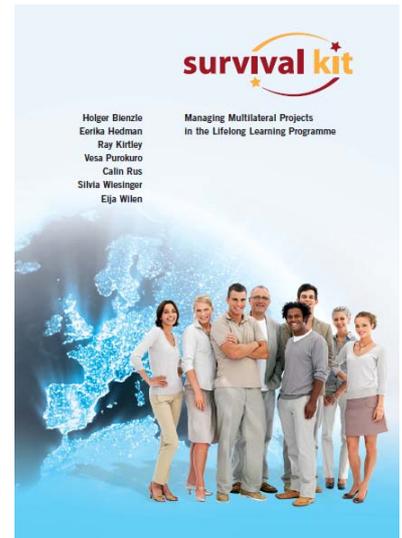
## A Kit for Surviving European Projects

<http://www.european-project-management.eu>

The new project management publication "*Survival Kit. Managing Multilateral Projects in the Lifelong Learning Programme*" has been released. The title may sound a little sarcastic, but many educators who got involved and sometimes entangled in EU-funded projects have felt the need for tailor-made project management support in their endeavour. This is what the "Survival Kit" – which is the second of its kind – aims to provide for actors in Multilateral Projects in the European Union's Lifelong Learning Programme (LLP). Much of its content will be useful for other types of trans-national co-operation, too.

The "Survival Kit" is itself the product of a LLP-funded project lead by the Austrian education and consultancy provider "die Berater". The publication is available in print (English), and as PDF document in English, German, French, Romanian, and Italian. It can be downloaded free of charge from the website given above, together with many useful project management tools: templates, examples and resources like partner agreements, planning forms, reporting sheets, checklists, or aids for evaluation and dissemination.

Many stakeholders, consulted in a focus group process, contributed to the publication



and other project management tools by sharing their experiences, practice examples and support tools. They have found the kit very useful.



supported by the Grundtvig strand of the European Commission's Lifelong Learning Programme. The Network's principal aims are to bring the university and volunteering sectors together to share experiences of working together and to explore the potential for developing new university lifelong learning opportunities for volunteers.

## Volunteering and ULLL in Europe – Final Conference

<http://www.valuenetwork.org.uk/>



On May 11<sup>th</sup> – 13<sup>th</sup> 2011, the VALUE Network will hold its final conference in Ankara, Turkey. The conference will be hosted by Value partners the Continuing Education Centre at the Middle East Technical University and ILKYAR VAKFI. The event will include presentations on

VALUE's work, a range of workshops and contributions from invited experts. The conference offers an excellent opportunity to learn about the university and volunteering sectors in Turkey and is open to all. The VALUE Network comprises 20 organisations representing universities and the volunteering sector from 13 European countries. It is

## DG Education and Culture and other interesting Links

DG EAC News room: [http://ec.europa.eu/dgs/education\\_culture/index\\_en.htm](http://ec.europa.eu/dgs/education_culture/index_en.htm)

E&T News: [http://ec.europa.eu/education/news/index2010\\_en.htm](http://ec.europa.eu/education/news/index2010_en.htm)

Eve: [http://ec.europa.eu/dgs/education\\_culture/eve/index\\_en.htm](http://ec.europa.eu/dgs/education_culture/eve/index_en.htm)

Directory: [http://ec.europa.eu/dgs/education\\_culture/index\\_en.htm](http://ec.europa.eu/dgs/education_culture/index_en.htm)

EACEA LLP: [http://eacea.ec.europa.eu/llp/index\\_en.php](http://eacea.ec.europa.eu/llp/index_en.php)

ENIC-NARIC: <http://www.enic-naric.net/>

We all should mark as favourites certain web links, but do we do it? Here you have a few recommended web pages for you to mark (if you have not done yet):

- News from DG EAC
- Education and Training News
- Eve (sharing experiences)
- DG EAC Directory

- EACEA's page on LLP
- ENIC-NARIC

We will give you more links to other pages in future issues.

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