



Attention – Elections of the EU Parliament!!!

Election Day also for young voters?

From 4 to 7 June 2009, the seventh direct elections of the European Parliament will take place. This election will constitute the biggest international election in history ever. 375 million citizens eligible for voting are called upon to vote. During the last parliamentary elections in 2004, 45,5 % of

eligible voters participated, but only 35% of the first time voters did so. [...] How do young people see Europe? Has the EU become a reality for them, whose position, functioning and significance for the future they take for granted now? Or rather, do ignorance and a skeptical attitude dominate?



PAD aktuell April:
www.kmk-pad.org/fileadmin/Dateien/download/va/PAD_aktuell_april_2009.pdf

CLIL-German in the Netherlands

Lokalzeit interview with Louis Seelen Valuascollege Venlo

Lokalzeit: Mr. Seelen, are young Dutch learning German?

Seelen: Today, the young grow



*Interview with Louis Seelen Valuascollege Venlo
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up with English language television. German is offered at all schools starting at the age of thirteen. However, they should already start with 5/6 years of age. English language training starts already in the last two years of elementary school. We believe that English is a world language. Therefore, everybody should know English. What we forget is that German is the second most important language. Also, the

cross border traffic is very intense. We are currently in talks with the province Limburg in order to achieve that German is already offered in elementary school. The EU commission wants to accomplish the following: All Europeans should be able to communicate in two foreign languages: we implement this with English as the world language and with German as the most spoken language in Europe.

Portals for the election of the European Parliament

Portals and links to the election of the European parliament, June 7, 2009

General information: www.europarl.de/europawahl/

Infoportal LBW: www.europawahl-bw.de/start_euwahl.html

Portal „politische –bildung.de“: www.politische-bildung.de/europawahl_2009.html

For further links see: www.ccll-eu.eu/cms02/index.php?id=96&L=1#c199

Business game + Webquest

Business game of an EU climate conference

Roles: EU Commissioner for Environment, Minister of Environment of one of the 10 countries: Bulgaria, Germany, France, Great Britain, Lithuania, Austria, Poland, Sweden, Spain, Hungary and press representatives

Information for assuming the role in the internet (webquest). Further info + business game + webquest: www.ccll-eu.eu/cms02/index.php?id=96&L=1#c199



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XVIII. Annual Conference of the Bulgarian German Teacher Association in Stara Zagora



German as a foreign language Teaching – learning – evaluating

Stara Zagora, a city with an 8000-year history, was the location at which the conference of the German teachers took place this year. The conference was conducted under the auspices of His Excellency Mr. Thomas Feller, Swiss Ambassador in Bulgaria. The organization on the ground was done by the Department for Information and Teacher Training of the Thrakian University and the foreign language high school "Romain Rolland" in Stara Zagora. The official opening took place in the regional library "Zaharij Kniashevski" where words of welcome were directed at the participants by H.E. Mr. Thomas Feller (Swiss Ambassador in Bulgaria), Prof. Dr. Dimitar Dinev (deputy mayor of Stara Zagora), Mrs. Elisabeth Hornung (culture and press officer, embassy of the Federal Republic of Germany), Dr. Burkhard Issel (Goethe-Institute Bulgaria), Mr. Bogdan Mirtshev (Hanns Seidel-Stiftung Bulgarien). All participants were warmly welcomed by the chairman of the Bulgarian German teacher association, Mrs. Doz. Dr. Daniela Stoytcheva. In the words of welcome by Mrs. Helena Hanuljakova, president of the

IDV, and by Mr. Doz. Dr. Daniel Waltshev, Minister of Education and Science, the key role of the German language and of the German teachers in the process of the training and education of young people in Bulgaria were highlighted. The first plenary presentation was given by Professor Dr. Joachim Hofeefe (Zurich University of Applied Sciences), with the topic „Teaching – Learning – Evaluating in the European context.“ Professor Dr. Jürgen Quetz (Leuphana University Lüneburg) presented the second plenary presentation „How to relate tests and examinations to the common European frame of reference.“ The third plenary presentation took place on the second day. Mr. Detlev Hoffmann (State Seminar for Didactics and Teacher Training (high schools) Freiburg [Staatliches Seminar für Didaktik und Lehrerbildung (Gymnasien) Freiburg]) gave a talk on the subject „Acquiring competence in the topic of Europe in “German as a foreign language” teaching (Deutsch als Fremdsprache, DaF). Additionally, the second day was reserved for sessions of the working groups.



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