

Supporting Multilingual Classrooms

ECML Training and Consultancy – online workshop
31st of August - 1st of September 2020



What is *The Supporting Multilingual Classrooms* workshop?

Supporting Multilingual Classrooms is a workshop that provides training for language teachers in building on the linguistic and cultural diversity of their students by drawing on their experience and skills. As such, the workshop aims to improve the quality of language teaching and support the development of plurilingual competences for all learners in multilingual classrooms.

The initiative draws on a wide range of successful ECML projects and resources focusing on inclusive, plurilingual and intercultural approaches.

This initiative is carried out within the framework of a cooperation agreement between the European Centre for Modern Languages and the European Commission, entitled *Innovative methodologies and assessment in language learning*.



The online workshop aims to:

- Raise teachers' awareness of the value of multilingualism for all and help them integrate this into their practice;
- Promote a positive attitude to linguistic and cultural diversity by developing an understanding of the principles and values underlying pluralistic and intercultural approaches, and by developing the teachers ability to use such approaches in the classroom;
- Develop language awareness in schools and vocational education thus creating an inclusive school environment in which all languages, including all home languages, are valued as part of the student's education and as a resource for further learning;
- Ensure that all members of the school's community have opportunities to develop awareness of the value of multilingualism for all and integrate these opportunities into their various practices and disciplines;
- Increase teachers' knowledge of formal, non-formal and informal learning, including digital and online tools and resources as well as virtual collaboration in relation to plurilingualism/multilingualism

Target groups:

- primary and lower secondary school language teachers
- teacher educators
- upper-secondary school language teachers
- university teachers and researchers
- policy makers
- school advisors

ECML experts



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Terry Lamb is Professor of Languages and Interdisciplinary Pedagogy. His research involves engagement with linguistic diversity in urban contexts and related policy, with the aim of challenging deficit views of plurilingualism, particularly in education. He works on Council of Europe projects and engages with language teachers worldwide to develop appropriate policies and practice in relation to innovative approaches to plurilingual education. Research interests include learner and teacher autonomy in language learning, multilingualism, plurilingualism, urban education, language policy, plurilingual education.



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Chantal Muller is a lecturer in English methodology, teaching English to young learners and the culture of English-speaking countries in initial and in-service teacher training. Also she is a member of: the EPLC (Teaching a foreign language at primary school through content) team, the PluriMobil team for the ECML and a member of the SMC (Supporting Multilingual Classrooms) for the ECML.

She has coordinated and is involved in different European projects, e.g. meeting multilingual and multicultural Europe through national stories; inclusion; retain (young teachers in the job); discovering, learning and creating with all the senses for pre-school children. Muller coordinates many international weeks for future teachers and she is also vice-president of a European network of teacher training institutions: Come-nius Association. Chantal Muller is in charge of the International Office for initial teacher training at HENALLUX (Namur).

Invitation: Supporting Multilingual Classrooms 2020

Registration

The online workshop is **free** of charge. For this two days training, all participants will receive a certificate of attendance. Follow this link for registration:

<https://events.au.dk/ecml-multilingualclassrooms>

Deadline 25th August 2020.

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