THE POWER OF LIFE LONG LEARNING

Past, Present and Future

JUNE 17-18, 2010

DE MEERVAART - AMSTERDAM, THE NETHERLANDS

An International Seminar on

the Role Short Cycle Higher Education in Life Long Learning and...

- Cooperation between Higher Education Institutions and Businesses
 - Recognition of Prior Learning
 - Combination of Formal and Non-Formal Learning
 - Quality Assurance and Accreditation
 - Flexible Learning Paths for Adult Learners
 - Regional Cooperation, focused on Life Long Learning
- Governmental Involvement in Life Long Learning Policy, and others

Seminar

This International Seminar will focus on Life Long Learning processes, through the eyes of higher education institutions, colleges, the world of work and other stakeholders. Emphasis will be placed on the growing importance of short cycle higher education programs and qualifications at level 5 in the European Qualifications Framework as well as beyond Europe, in the U.S. and Canada, on the involvement of 'the labor market' in short-cycle higher education programs, existing approaches to Recognition of Prior Learning, the role of Quality Assurance in formal and non-formal learning (internal and external procedures) and others.

Presentations and workshops

Seminar presentations will discuss present developments and studies on LLL, in combination with workshops.

Organization

The seminar will be organized by Leido Academy (Amsterdam, The Netherlands), as part of the international Atlantis project '*Short Cycle Higher Education in Europe and the US: Addressing Social and Economic Needs*'. Partners in this project are: Leido Academy, University of Toledo, Owens Community College (Toledo) and International University College (Dobrich, Bulgaria).

Interested?

Information about the ATLANTIS project can be found at <u>www.leido.nl</u> (click on 'Activiteiten') and at: <u>http://atlantis.utoledo.edu</u>. If you want to receive the monthly newsletters with current information about the seminar, in combination with documents, background reports etc., please send an e-mail to: <u>info@leido.nl</u> – and we will keep you updated.



AND ALREADY SOME EXTRA INFORMATION...

In the first newsletter, to be published in the second half of January of 2010, we will offer more information about the seminar, the venue, the hotels, the dinner, the social program and much more.

At this moment, we offer you some relevant news about the seminar, which can be important for you in making the decision to come to Amsterdam.

- The seminar will be held in Conference-centre/Theater De Meervaart, in Amsterdam (take a look at <u>www.meervaart.nl</u>). The venue can easily be reached by train and tram (from the airport and the centre of Amsterdam).
- We will provide a list with suitable hotels in the neighbourhood of the venue, at your choice.
- On Thursday evening, there will be a 'candlelight dinner' on boats through the canals of Amsterdam: sightseeing and dining at the same time...
- We will have an organized social program, with different themes, on Saturday June, 18.
- There will be a pre seminar on Wednesday, June 16, as part of the project. But we will also organize as part of this activity a number of workshops, to discuss actual developments in the EU. If you are interested in the subjects of those workshops, you are welcome to take part in one or two of them.
- One of the aims of this seminar is to investigate the possibility of founding a world-wide network of institutions, involved in 'short higher education programs'. At the end of Friday, there will be a special meeting on this initiative. So, if you want to engage with other experts in this field, come to Amsterdam!

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