

Wulkow XI

Languages in Higher Education in Europe: Re-Defining the Teacher

The 11th Wulkow Meeting of Directors of Language Centres in Higher Education in Europe

Dates: 17-20 January 2019

Venues: viadrina sprachen Frankfurt (Oder) (Germany)
Parkhotel Schloss Wulkow (Brandenburg/ Germany)

Aims of the meeting:

During the last years, language teachers in higher education have witnessed substantial changes in learner biographies, learner needs and learner expectations. No longer can we rely on the fact that the majority learners have grown up monolingually and have acquired their second and third languages in secondary education. Above all, the internationalization of European universities has brought new target groups, who sometimes present intercultural challenges when the definition of teacher roles and expectations regarding methodologies clash. With the integration of languages into the overall curriculum of universities, to survey and analyze those changes have become of utmost importance for teachers, curriculum designers, materials developers and not the least directors of language centres.

During our meeting we will try to stock-take learner characteristics across countries and will look at current learner needs. We will then look at the consequences for the role of the language teacher in higher education.

Themes:

- Constructing the teacher in learner biographies
- Learner needs and expectations and the role of the teacher
- The language teacher in HE as educator
- The integration of the language teacher in academic culture
- The language teachers as cultural ambassador
- The language teacher caught between art and science

Participants are welcome to add addition themes and/or to provide input on any of the themes above.

There will also be room for talks and discussions about any pertinent issue where participants would like collegial support.

The format:

- Plenary presentations
- Parallel presentation and discussion sessions
- Plenary discussions
- Panel discussions

Fee: Euro 535 (including accommodation with full board and social programme)

Deadline for registration: 16/11/2018

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