



# **National in-Service Training Seminar “Languages and the City, Labour, Citizens, Cultures”**

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**Report**



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On Saturday 26 October 2013, the National in-Service Training Seminar entitled “Languages and the City, Labour, Citizens, Cultures” organized by LEND – lingua e nuova didattica, took place. The training seminar was addressed to teachers and trainers coming from several schools of different Italian regions.

In the framework of this event, a NELLIP Workshop on quality in language learning and the European Language Label was organized. Elisabetta Delle Donne, the NELLIP transnational coordinator, gave a speech on the NELLIP network. Its aims, activities and in progress results were fully presented. In addition, several brochures and leaflets of the NELLIP project were distributed to all the participants.

The Workshop was organized into four thematic sessions:

- 1) Introduction
- 2) Practical Sessions
- 3) Workshop' Assessment

### **Introduction**

During the first part of the Workshop, Elisabetta Delle Donne presented the European Language Label and the NELLIP project. In particular, the results achieved in the framework of the project have been presented: Database of Projects that received the European Language Label selected by NELLIP, Case Studies, Best Practices, National Reports on the Implementation of the European Language Label, Transnational Report on the Implementation of the European Language Label, Guidelines on how to implement quality in language learning and teaching initiatives.

### **Practical Sessions**

After the common introduction, participants have been split up into 2-3 thematic groups, according to their personal interest. The groups' thematic areas were:

- Quality Issues
- Innovation
- Networking

Every group identified a moderator among the participants.

The group work has been organized in 3 main moments:

- the group members presented themselves and their current projects and initiatives
- each group chose a specific language initiative among the ones presented by the group members
- the group analyzed the proposed initiative and discussed the possible solutions to improve it

On the basis of the discussion, each group produced a proposal on how to improve the identified initiative. This took the form of an Operative Document, containing an effective proposal for improvement.

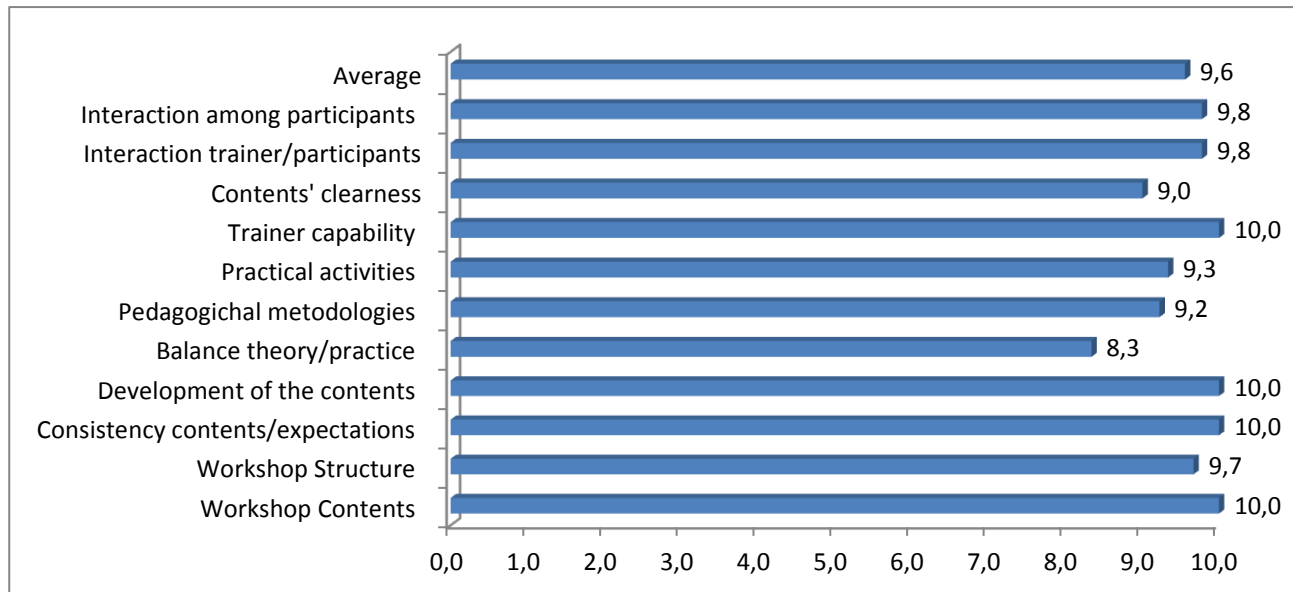
### **Workshop' Assessment**

Each group presented in 10 minutes its proposal to the other groups. This presentation has been followed by a final discussion focusing on the main outputs emerged during the practical session.



## Workshop Evaluation

All the participants in the workshop were asked to fill in an evaluation questionnaire, focusing on the main aspects of the workshop and a specific reference to the contents developed.



The average of the workshop is a more than positive 9.6 out of 10. Participants particularly appreciated the contents of the workshop, the consistency between the contents developed and the initial expectations, the development of the contents and the trainer capability to provide information about the European Language Label and the NELLIP project.

The aspect to be developed concerns the balance between theory and practice: the mark scored (8.3 / 10) highlights how much participants need to share information and to practically exercise the contents acquired. Another aspect which was particularly appreciated was the interaction among participants (9.8 / 10), which represented one of the main goal of the workshop.