Second project meeting
Pistoia, Italy
(May 23-28, 2011).

Taking advantage of the excellent conditions provided by our host, Centro Study “Cultura Sviluppo”, the partnership focused upon two main issues:

- Quality Management
- Video Production.

Main internal quality indicators were discussed, and partners agreed upon future actions to be taken in order to meet the project requirements.

External Evaluator, Boian Savtchev presented External Evaluation Plan. Impact Indicators were also analyzed, and priorities agreed upon. Boian Savtchev presented the 7 most important areas that are crucial for the project success, insisting upon dissemination and exploitation.

Gordon Wells made presentations of the work he had done regarding videos, providing examples from the Island Voices project. Under Gordon’s professional guidance partners learned about basic dos and don’ts of camera handling.

Video recording, basic editing issues, and how videos can be used in language learning were the main topics of discussion and practice during the workshop.

Each team then put into practice what they learned and produced sample videos. Pistoia and Luca were the main shooting locations, and the external evaluator had the opportunity to see teams at work.
Facebook group was created in order to disseminate the project outputs and provide a forum for discussion. Course Books and Course Descriptions in English, Greek, Italian and Turkish are already posted on the site.

Videos suitable for language learning produced by the partnership will be uploaded after partners' peer reviewing. For more details see: http://www.facebook.com/PoolsCX/

Peer reviewing and quality assessment were the main reasons for creating POOLS-CX group on Vimeo. Videos suitable for language learning, as well as DIY videos are uploaded on Vimeo. Partners peer review them, and make suggestions for quality improvement.

At the end of the process videos are uploaded on the project website. Facebook and UTube will also be sites used as dissemination tools.

Producer of this video, Gordon Wells, used the opportunity of a trip from Pistoia to Luca and scenes shot by partners in Luca to create a sample video based upon simple sentences in Danish, English, Greek, Greenlandic, Italian, Romanian and Turkish.

Other videos produced during the workshop:

Pistoia and the Italian Dub Community (UK)
Interview with the project coordinator (GR)
The Making of the Interview (RO)
First in the series of DIY videos produced by the Romanian team, CREATING SUBTITLES FOR VIDEOS reveals some of the “secrets” of video subtitling. Step by step presentation of the subtitling process accompanied by appropriate examples, give video creators access to a far bigger and potentially multilingual and global audience.

A TRIP TO LULEBURGAZ OVACIK VILLAGE is the first video produced by the Turkish team. Students from Marmara Private High School go on a trip and discover damages done to the environment. Interviews with villagers reveal the dramatic changes caused by pollution.

Course Descriptions in EN, IT, GR, and TR can now be downloaded from the project website. (see Project Materials). The eTandem and the CALL Methods with Italian, Turkish and Romanian subtitles are also available on the site.

For more details see: www.pools-cx.eu

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