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German EQUAL Development Partnership

"FAIRWAY - new ways into selfdetermined working life by accessibility"

Presentation of the German Deaf projects at the 2nd Transnational Meeting of "BEYOND SILENCE" on 2nd June 2006 in Riga





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Objective of FAIRWAY

The main objective of FAIRWAY is to test new methods for making possible the restart into working life for people, which are disriminated at the labour market (especially disabled people).

A central element in this action is to strengthen the principle of accessibility in the society.

In some of the FAIRWAY sub-projects are the problems of accessible tourism in the focus.

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Inhabitants

Germany

82 mill.

State Berlin State Brandenburg 2,6 mill.

5 Operative Partners

13 Strategic Partners



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Operative project partners

Technology Centre Neuruppin Tourism Association Brandenburg DEAFCOM Potsdam NEUMANNCONSULT Münster/Berlin Technology Centre Belzig

Evaluation:

University for Applied Sciences Wildau

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Transnational cooperation

FAIRWAY is involved in two different transnational development partnerships:

"BEYOND SILENCE"

(Czech Republic, Latvia, Slovakia)

and

"INTEGRATOUR"

(France, Italy, Poland)

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"BEYOND SILENCE"

- 1. "KARAVANA", Czech Republic
 - 2. "Silent Hands", Latvia
- 3. "Centre of social, remedial and information services for people with hearing disabilities", Slovakia

Kick off Meeting September 2005 in Germany 1. Transnational Meeting December 2005 in Czech Rep. 2. Transnational Meeting June 2006 in Latvia

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FAIRWAY has 9 different sub-projects for persons who are at the labour marked disadvantaged and discriminated, especially for people with disabilities.

3 of these sub-projects are projects for deaf people or people with hearing disabilities

These 3 projects are managed by DEAFCOM **Potsdam**

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Central slogan of DEAFCOM projects:

"Too few people are aware that real communication is a two-way connection"

(Lee Lacocca)

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First DEAFCOM project:

"New possibilities for working life by training as a deaf sign language instructor/teacher"

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Project targets

- Training as a lingustical and didactical qualified German sign language instructor
- New job perspectice especially for people with hearing disabilities from the newly-formed German states and from the old Federal States
 - Amplification of the acceptance of the German sign language

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Methods and instruments

- Two part-time courses / 704 hours (teaching units)
- Start course 1: October 2005 / 10 participants

7 men, 3 women

- Start course 2: January 2006 / 15 participants

3 men, 12 women

- Assignment of deaf teachers or hearing teachers with high competence in the deaf sign language

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Priorities oft training

Methodology and didactics / Linguistics Deaf peoples history, culture and sociology **Psychology**

German language / German sign language Rhetoric and communication / Law

Certificate

"State-approved deaf sign language instructor/teacher"

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Second DEAFCOM project:

"New working-perspectives by developing a digital museum-guide for people with hearing disabilities"

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Project targets

- New, innovative training as a digital media designer and as a video-journalist
- Development and arrangement of videoguides for museums, expositions and sight-seeing tours
- More barrier-freedom and attractiveness in the range of culture and tourism in the federal state of Brandenburg
- Barrier-free tourism for visitors all nationality with hearing disabilities

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Methods and instruments

- One part-time and one full-time course 712 hours (teaching units)

- Start course 1: October 2005 10 participants 3 men, 7 women planned for - Start course 2: January 2007 12 participants

- Assignment of deaf teachers or hearing teachers with high competences in the deaf sign language

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Priorities of training

European special-gestures Film production Radiographic technique Image-cut **Effects** Digital image and video editing

Moderation

Certificate:

"State-approved digital media designer"

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Third DEAFCOM project:

"New possibilities for working life by training as communication-assistent for people with hearing disabilities"

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Project targets

New, innovative training as communication-assistent, that means:

- as assistent for care and attendance for
 - . elder people with hearing disabilities
 - . children with hearing disabilities and
 - . people with multiple disabilities
- as assistent between hearing and deaf persons within concerned families
- special needs of very small children with hearing disabilities

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Methods and instruments

- Two full-time courses / 792 hours

- Start course 1: February 2006 in Heidelberg

(old Federal states)

planned for 12 participants

Mai 2006 in Potsdam - Start course 2:

planned for 12 participants

- Assigment of deaf teachers or hearing teachers with high competence in the sign language

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Agenda of training

- 1. Individual preparation (8 days)
- 2. Theoretical training (60 days)
- Advice and assistance within families
- German language / German sign language
- Sociology / Deaf peoples culture and history
- Rhetoric and communication
- Social-work / Psychology / Law
- 3. Practical training, supervision and placement (31 days)

Certificate: "Communication-assistent"

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Thank you for your attention! Gerlinde Helbing and Uwe Schönfeld

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