

## Recognition of Prior Learning

'Assessment & Accreditation, Quality Assurance and Implementation of Procedures'

**BOLOGNA-SEMINAR – AMSTERDAM - THE NETHERLANDS**

**11-12 December 2008**

### Newsletter 2 - September 2008

The Bologna Seminar on Recognition of Prior Learning, Quality Assurance and the Implementation of Procedures (in Higher Education) will be held in Amsterdam, the Netherlands, December 11 and 12, 2008. This seminar will be hosted by the Dutch Government and is organized in cooperation with the BFUG Coordination Group for LLL, EURASHE, EUA and ESU.

In this second Newsletter you will find information about:

- Registration
- Programme
- Conference Venue
- Hotels
- Website and documents
- Next Newsletter (October 10, 2008).

#### Registration Procedure

There are 100 places available for the seminar. We would like to enable representatives from as many countries and organisations involved in the Bologna Process as possible to participate. Therefore a specific procedure for registration is used.

Registration for this seminar is free of charge. However, participants are expected to meet their own travel and accommodation costs.

The following criteria will be applied in the selection of participants:

- Ensuring a balanced participation of all interested countries, organisations and other parties.
- Up to 2 delegates per country or organisation will have guarantee of acceptance, on the condition of registering by October 10, 2008, and based on first come . first served
- All registrations above this reference figure will be accepted conditionally, being included in a waiting list. Those persons on the waiting list will be informed of the final decision on acceptance (or not acceptance) by October 13, 2008
- After October 13, 2008 places available will be distributed, both on a first come . first served basis and in view of registrations that have been confirmed already.

If you want to participate in the Bologna Seminar, send an email **BEFORE OCTOBER 10** to: [info@leido.nl](mailto:info@leido.nl) to the attention of Hans Daale, including the following details:

- Name
- Organisation
- Function
- Email address
- Short description of the relation between your function/organisation and the subject of the seminar.

Upon receipt of your e-mail, you will receive an acknowledgement (the acceptance/confirmation of registration will follow later). Should you not have received the acknowledging e-mail within two days, please inform the Conference Secretariat: [info@leido.nl](mailto:info@leido.nl).

## **Programme**

In Newsletter 1 information has been given about the organisation of the presentations and the workshops. Below an overview is presented.

### *Thursday 11 December*

09.45 . 17.00 h.

In the morning:

- Opening session, with:
  - Mrs. Odile Quintin, DG - European Commission
  - Representative of the Dutch Government
  - Mr. Geert Dales, INHolland, President (Chairman of the Executive Board) of Hogeschool INHolland
- Presentations . Workshops
- Lunch

In the afternoon:

- Presentations . Workshops

19.30 . 22.00 h.

Candlelight dinner (on boats through the canals of Amsterdam)

### *Friday 12 December*

09.30 . 16.00 h.

In the morning:

- Presentations . Forum discussion
- Closing of the official part of this seminar incl. feedback on the outcomes of this seminar

In the afternoon:

- Visit to a Multinationalqin Amsterdam:
- Lunch
- Presentation about their RPL-strategy and procedures, looking at the cooperation with HEIs

## **Conference Venue**

Hogeschool INHolland (INHolland University of Applied Sciences)

Wildenborch 6

1112 XB Diemen (Amsterdam)

Tel: 0031 - 20 - 495 11 11

Information about how to reach this building can be found on this website:

[http://www.inholland.nl/Contact/Adressen+en+Telefoonnummers/adres\\_amsterdam.htm](http://www.inholland.nl/Contact/Adressen+en+Telefoonnummers/adres_amsterdam.htm)

And by clicking on:

[Onderwijslocatie Wildenborch Diemen \(pdf\)](#)

[Plan zelf je route met de auto en of het openbaar vervoer](#)

Or by using this web-document:

<http://www.inholland.nl/NR/rdonlyres/487346BB-21A6-4276-B5CE-DF77274BF555/0/KleurrkDiemen.pdf>

## **Hotels**

Arrangements are made with a number of hotels in Amsterdam.

We recommend making a reservation for one of the hotels (right in the centre of Amsterdam), part of the Eden Hotel Group, because we could make agreements about special prices till the 20<sup>th</sup> of October. The prices for the hotels in the Accor Group are regular.

The hotels are in or not far from the centre of Amsterdam. The Conference venue is easily accessible by public transport. In the next newsletter we will give you more information about how to get to the venue.

*Eden Rembrandt Square Hotel \*\*\*\**  
Amstelstraat 17, Amsterdam Centre

You can book a room, using the following website: [www.edenhotelgroup.com](http://www.edenhotelgroup.com).

Important: By Tarifcode/Ratecode you have to fill in as Code: ~~A~~PLq

*The prices are guaranteed till October 20. After this date there are still enough rooms available, but then you have to pay the 'best available rate'.*

The prices are including Breakfast, but excluding 5% Taxes

Standard Room:	one person	135 euro
	two persons	150 euro
DeLuxe Room	one person	155 euro
	two persons	170 euro
Junior Suite	one person	175 euro
	two persons	190 euro

*Eden Hotel Amsterdam\*\*\**  
Amstel 144, Amsterdam Centrum

You can book a room, using the following website: [www.edenhotelgroup.com](http://www.edenhotelgroup.com).

Important: By Tarifcode/Ratecode you have to fill in as Code: ~~A~~PLq

*These prices are guaranteed till October 20. After this date there are still rooms available, but then you have to pay the 'best available rate'.*

The prices are including Breakfast, but excluding 5% Taxes

Standard Room:	one person	110 euro
	two persons	125 euro
Superior Room	one person	130 euro
	two persons	145 euro

#### *Accor-Group*

We have asked the Accor Group to hold rooms for participants in the Bologna Seminar. There are four hotels available.

- Sofitel Amsterdam\*\*\*, centre 140 euro
- Novotel Amsterdam City\*\*, close to the centre 110 euro
- Ibis Amsterdam Centre\*\*, centre 85 euro.
- Ibis Westcorner\*\*, outside the centre 69 euro

These prices are regular.

All rooms can be booked for 1 or 2 persons. Breakfast and Taxes are not included (different prices per hotel, from 22.50 till 8.50 euro per person).

Look on their website for special offers!

Reservation is possible using: [www.accorhotels.com](http://www.accorhotels.com), and look for hotels in ~~A~~msterdamq

#### **Website and documents for the seminar**

From the 1<sup>st</sup> of October onwards, the latest information on the seminar can be found on the following website: [www.dashe.nl/events/bologna/rpl.html](http://www.dashe.nl/events/bologna/rpl.html). You will find on this website:

- Newsletters
- Documents from former seminars about LLL, Learning Outcomes et cetera and, important for this seminar:
- A document with input for the discussions during the seminar, concerning a possible common Quality Code for RPL, including principles for proceduresq The content of this document is based on Codes in several countries and the actual developments in ~~o~~common principles for Validation of Non-Formal and Informal Learning (in VET)q

**Next Newsletter**

The next newsletter will be published on the website on October 10, 2008 and will be sent by email to the persons in our database. In number 3 you will find information about: participation in workshops, filling in questionnaires before coming to Amsterdam, hotels, how to get to the venue, social event on Saturday, Documents about RPL as input for the discussions and other useful information.