

ECML-EC Think tank – Fostering motivation in language education: what role for decision-makers and educators?

Graz, Wednesday, 4 December 2024

Reimbursement: 8:00 – 8:45		Session 2: 11:00 – 12:45		Session 3: 14:15 – 15:30		Session 4: 16:00 – 17:45	
Session 1: Setting the Scene 9:00 – 10:30		Examples from policy, teacher education and research		Group work		Key points from group work	
<p><u>Welcome and opening remarks</u> Sarah Breslin Executive Director, ECML</p> <p><u>Eurydice key data/Eurobarometer – what do they tell us?</u> Anna Solé Mena, European Commission</p> <p><u>Engendering positive change – evidence-based examples from both a national and a European perspective</u> Jonas Erin, Ministry of National Education</p> <p><u>Rationales and motivation for language learning beyond global English</u> Ursula Lanvers, University of York</p> <p><u>Reflections on the morning’s presentations</u></p>	Coffee break 10:30 – 11:00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Teach to motivate in Romania's education system, Cristina Blaj, Ministry of Education • Motivation in language education in minoritised language contexts: Language attitudes and language policy, Ada Bier, University of the Basque Country • Stimulating modern language learning: analysis and actions in Denmark, Ana Kanareva-Dimitrovska, Danish Centre for Foreign languages • Creating space for additional foreign languages: opportunities and challenges, Marika Peekmann, Ministry of Education and Research • Using visualisation and self-concept to better understand the motivational process in the foreign language classroom, Céline Rocher Hahlin, Dalarna University <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Q and A session</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Instructions for group work</u></p>	Lunch break 12:45 – 14:15 (Buffet offered by the ECML)	Participants will share with one another both the notable achievements and the major challenges at the levels of policy, teacher education, classroom practice associated with languages and motivation in their different contexts, as well as the role of civil society.	Coffee break 15:30 – 16:00	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Panel discussion: what next for language education?</u></p> <p>Panel Chair: Arja Krauchenberg, European Parents Association</p> <p>Panel members:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Anna Solé Mena, European Commission • Karine Dekeukelaere, Ministry of the Wallonia-Brussels Federation • Diana Saccardo, Ministry of Education and Merit • Libor Štěpánek, CercleS • Elena Valenzuela, Official languages and bilingualism institute, University of Ottawa <p><u>Enhancing motivation for language learning: the promise of plurilingual and intercultural education</u> David Little, Council of Europe expert</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Concluding remarks</u> Sarah Breslin, ECML</p>	17:45 – 19:00 Networking with a Christmas flavour! (ECML courtyard)

