



“CEFR Companion Volume Implementation Toolbox – VITbox”

– an ECML Project

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Project idea



- provide tools that help to manage the change needed in language teaching, learning and assessment in university and vocational language education
- to cater for the needs of new generations of learners



Project aims



- implement the ideas of the Council of Europe's CEFR Companion Volume (2020) in language teaching, learning and assessment in university and vocational language education
- implement a task-based and action-oriented approach in teaching and assessment
- contribute to innovation in university and vocational language teaching and assessment



Project objectives



- boosting professional development
- enhancing innovation in needs analysis, curriculum planning, course design and (teaching and assessment) methodology
- creating community of practice
- empowering language teaching and testing professionals
- managing change



Target groups



- teacher educators (initial teacher training)
- professional development course leaders
- teachers: self-study



Expected outputs



- an openly accessible digital toolbox, offering
- comprehensive modules on specific topics and/or individual documents,
- including:
 - video clips
 - text material and links
 - checklists
 - sample scenarios, tasks and activities as well as sample exam scenarios
- freely available online
- customisable: adaptable to individual contexts and needs



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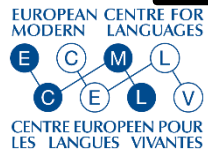
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The screenshot shows a Moodle course page for 'CompanionVolumeToolbox'. The browser address bar shows the URL: <https://moodle.companionvolumetoolbox.ecml.at/mod/resource/view.php?id=38>. The page title is 'CompanionVolumeToolbox'. The main content area displays 'VITbox project team' and 'Online communication video 3 _Goal oriented transactions and collaboration'. Below the title is a video player with a play button and a 'VITbox' logo. The video title is 'Online interaction in the Companion Volume to the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages'. The left sidebar contains a navigation menu with items like 'VITbox project team', 'Participants', 'Badges', 'Competencies', 'Grades', 'General', 'team meetings', 'team files / templates', 'Module 1: Aims and objectives of our project', and 'Module 2: What is new in the Companion'. The Windows taskbar at the bottom shows the search bar and various application icons.



This is a partial screenshot of a Moodle course page, showing a vertical list of items on the right side of the page, each with a small square icon next to it. The items are partially obscured by the VITbox logo and the main screenshot.



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List of modules (examples)



- Aims and objectives of our project
- What is new in the Companion Volume
- Action-oriented approach & social agent
- Course planning / constructive alignment (Teaching, Learning & Assessment)
- Four modes of communication and four skills
- Mediation
- Online communication
- Plurilingual approaches / Pluricultural aspects
- How to use the CEFR Companion Volume



Further information



- Website:

www.ecml.at/companionvolumetoolbox

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