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Participant report on the ECML Summer Academy 2023

to the National Authorities

Event report

Please complete this form at the latest by 10.09.2023. It contains two sections:

 Reporting: this section focuses on feedback to your National Authorities on the event, on what you feel you learnt, on how the event will affect your work and on how you intend to share that learning with others. With your agreement, it will also be published by the ECML¹ in the "Experts involved in ECML activities" section of each ECML member state website (please see http://contactpoints.ecml.at).

This section should be written in either English or French.

2. **Public information**: this is a short, promotional text on the event (around 200 words) which should be of interest to a larger audience in your country. One way to do this is to make reference to key publications or developments that were discussed at the event, and which are of interest in your country.

This section should be written in (one of) your national language(s).

The completed file should be sent to:

 the ECML National Nominating Authority and Contact Point in your country and in copy to the ECML GB member and to katarina.vuksic@ecml.at. Contact details for your Nominating Authority, Contact Point and Governing Board member can be found here: ECML/CELV > About us > Member State Representation

¹ Please complete the authorization form to allow the ECML to publish your contact details.







1. Reporting

Your name	Valentina Gavranović
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Brief summary of the content of the event	The ECML Summer Academy for language educators was organized in Graz, 3-7 July 2023, with the arching topic Inspiring Innovation in European Language Teacher Education. The Academy program comprised 12 modules focusing on a wide range of topics relevant to language education and the promotion of linguistic and cultural diversity. The main aims of the Academy were to provide the participants with a deeper insight and understanding of European language policies and to promote dialogue, critical reflection, and discussions on various aspects of language teaching, learning, and assessment. The participants had the opportunity to learn about recent developments in language education and policies, and to share experiences with teacher educators from various European countries.
What did you find particularly useful?	The overall organization of the event was thoroughly and purposefully planned and realized. Each module provided valuable insight into different aspects of language education, and the topics discussed in each module expanded my knowledge and helped me reexamine various aspects of language teaching, learning, and assessment. The most valuable experience I gained from the ECML Summer Academy was the opportunity to learn about language education practices and policies across Europe, compare different teaching and learning contexts, and gain a better insight into how current language policies in Serbia correspond to European language policies.
How will you use what you learnt / developed in the event in your own professional context?	As regards my professional context, I will: 1. Share what I have learned with colleagues from my institution (teachers of English, French, Italian, Spanish, German, Russian, Greek, and Serbian) through: - a meeting, informing them about the European Centre for Modern Languages, its aims, mission, and activities. For this







purpose, I will prepare a short presentation on the main topics covered during the Summer Academy.

- a workshop with concrete activities (on how to use the CEFR in classes, and how to apply Artificial Intelligence in teaching).
- 2. Innovate my own teaching practices in the following ways:
- a. I will incorporate various topics in the existing course syllabi in undergraduate and master study programs (courses: Contemporary Approaches to Language Teaching, Integrating ICT in Language Teaching, Contemporary English Language courses, Humanistic Approaches to Language Teaching)
- b. At the institutional level, we will update and introduce new courses in master's degree Applied Anglistics that is being created at our university for a new accredited period 2024-2031 (these courses are: Syllabi and teaching material design, Language and Identity, Plurilingualism and mediation, Intercultural approaches, Evaluation and Assessment).

I plan to share what I have learned/discovered with others in my country in the following ways:

How do you plan to share what you have learned/discovered with others in your country?

- As an author of the accredited seminar "Using Digital Tools Creatively in Language Classroom", I will innovate the seminar with the topic of Artificial intelligence in FLT. The seminar is accredited by the Ministry of Education, and the plan is to organize several more sessions for language teachers in Serbia in the academic year 2023/2024.
- With my colleagues, we will organize a one-day conference at the University (we will apply for the accreditation as well), inviting language teachers from the country to attend. The conference will focus on the current issue in language education (trends in the European Union).
- I will share information on the ECML Summer Academy on the Singidunum University site and the Singidunum University social media.

2. Public information





Short text (about 200 words) in one of your national languages to help promote the ECML Summer Academy to a wider public.

Летња академија Европског центра за живе језике представља одличну прилику да се едукатори и наставници језика који су активно укључени у језичке образовне политике упознају са актуелним питањима из области образовања наставника и креирања језичких политика, да размене искуства са колегама широм Европе и да свеобухватније и сврсисходније сагледају улогу учења и подучавања језика из шире перспективе. Програм Академије обухвата широк спектар тема релевантних за језичко образовање и промоцију језичке и културне разноликости. Кроз различита предавања и радионице, учесници имају прилику да стекну дубљи увид и боље разумеју европске језичке политике, да сагледају улогу учења језика из различитих перспектива, и да са колегама из различитих европских земаља поделе искуства и сазнања. Летња академија промовише дијалог, критичко промишљање, сагледавање језичког оразовања из различитих перспектива, у различитим контекстима, чиме се учесницима пружа могућност једног свеобухватног и квалитетног приступа бављењу језичким образовањем. Језички догађаји попут овог инспиришу све едукаторе и наставнике, и подстичу на развијање иновација у настави и образовању.