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1. Records description

The 20 documents contained in this box relate to the work of Council of Europe’s Council for Cultural Co-Operation and the Division for Out-of-School Education, as well as several other external associations and universities.

This collection of papers is predominately related to Council of Europe’s Modern Languages Project, thus dealing with the following topics:

- The Threshold Level for modern language learning in schools;
- The Threshold Level in relation to the European Unit/Credit System;
- Preparation and elaboration of the Threshold Level for Danish, Dutch, French and German.
- “Kontaktschwelle” and “Grundbaustein” for German as a foreign language;
- “Grundbaustein” for Danish.

The documents also include a set of excerpts from the book “Threshold Level” by J.A. van Ek, as well as a partial draft of the publication “Kontaktschwelle Deutsch als Fremdsprache”, prepared by Markus Baldegger, Martin Müller, Günther Schneider and Anton Näf.

2. Keywords

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3. Topics

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4. Time periods
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5. Events

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<td>Staatsinstitut für Schulpädagogik, Abteilung Gymnasium, Referat Neuere Sprachen II. Universität Saarbrücken</td>
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6. Council of Europe committees involved
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7. Associations and institutions quoted
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