

Austria:

Edysgate won Multimedia Prix

We won the Austrian Prix of Multimedia & E-Business 2008 in the category Tourism, Health and Social Services.

The Prix is sponsored by the Ministry of Economy and Labour affairs.

280 products and projects were submitted in 6 categories.

Many thanks to each partner.

Petra Rietsch



Denmark:

Translation of an article in the local newspaper Wednesday the 27 th of august

Havredal old School is participating in an EU-project. It will be presented Saturday the 30th of August in a national meeting.

Students and employers at Havredal old School have together with European partners from England, Austria, Spain and Bulgaria developed and tested some interesting playing games for young adult dyslectic people.

Many people think that dyslexia only is about reading and writing problems. But the problems that causes dyslexia are also involved in many other life skills.

Internet based training methods can increase other life skills of dyslectic people.

The Leader of Havredal old School – Kirsten Fabian – says, that this project tries to create a situation of a strong and motivating training condition for dyslectic people.

There are 7 areas with special focus on development of the expression of the sound situation.

The project focuses on both directly and indirectly stimulation.

The principles are not equal in all participating countries.

Each game is developed in cooperation with user groups and training teachers.

After the presentation of the project it will be possible for interested users to try the learning games in a net café with instructors from Havredal old School.



What has happened in Havredal old School since the last newsletter

In June we got a call from the Danish Ministry of Education. They had a contact in London University. One of the professors wanted to study the danish way of educating young people with learning disabilities. They want to improve the English education system for this kind of people.

The Danish Ministry of Education pointed Havredal old School out as an interesting place to visit.

So in August we had a visit of the London professor.

A whole day he spent in Havredal watching the practical educating and asking about methods and ways of managing different problems. He was also very interested in the students and their opinions about their school life and the way of education.

Among other things he was told about our EU-projects. He was shown the E-Dysgate games, and he was very interested in that too.

The Danish National E-Dysgate Conference.

We have also prepared a National Conference and have therefore contacted the regional organisation of Dyslexia. They were very interested in the project, and the chairman chose to participate and opened our conference the 30th of august. Local journalists came and took part in the conference.

The same day we held our yearly festival with about 300 guests.

We built an internet café with 6 computers with internet access and all our guests could hear and try the E-Dysgate games .

The 9th of September we participated in Aarhus in a regional education fair for students with special needs and learning problems.

Small partners meeting

Our last meeting took place at the nice Neusiedl am See.

We discussed and agreed the completion of the last tasks and potential sustainability strategies.

We welcomed a guest: Eva Gyarmathy (MTAPI, Budapest). She and her colleagues participated in the pilots of EDysGate. The project results were presented at a Conference at her Institute in May 2008. MTAPI is interested in leading a potential transfer project.

Additionally the partnership was contacted by interested organisations in Slovenia, Portugal, Latvia and Finland.



Blog on Dyslexia and Technology

Ian Smythe (IBIS) is writing a blog on Dyslexia and Technology.

What is new and what is helpful?

Get information and share your experiences.

Find the link to this blog on "Home" of the EDysGate project website.

Visits on our Website

Visits in August 2008 - daily average 19, at all in the month 604.

Visits from 1 to 15. September 2008 - daily average 39, at all so far 624.

Nearly 300 users registered.

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