

>>Apply now for European Training on Networking and Networks

Networking is a key competence for practitioners in education, and networks are considered to have considerable potential for solving structural problems.

ComNet is a project financed by the European Commission's Lifelong Learning Programme and builds on the results of the preceding project, **Euoweaving**, which developed the publication, **The Art of Networking** and other useful resources for actors in European networks.

ComNet offers training for professionals in education – teachers, trainers, programme developers, managers, researchers and evaluators – who are already involved in networks, or may wish to be so in the future.

To participate in the European training course **The Art of Networking** in Alden Biesen on **28 September-3 October 2009** and receive a Grundtvig grant covering the costs you need to do the following:

1. **Pre-register** with myriam.swinnen@cjsm.vlaanderen.be
2. **Apply for a Grundtvig mobility grant** at the National Agency for the Lifelong Learning Programme in your country.
Deadline: **15 July 2009**
List of National Agencies:
http://ec.europa.eu/education/programmes/llp/national_en.html.
3. **Confirm participation** with myriam.swinnen@cjsm.vlaanderen.be

>>ComNet Training Course: The Art of Networking

The **ComNet** project consortium will organise a European training course on effective networking and network management covering the following aspects:

- > Network theory and social networking skills
- > Networks in EU funding programmes
- > Setting-up a network
- > Network management
- > ICT tools for networks
- > Learning in a network
- > Network evaluation
- > Policy & advocacy
- > Making the network sustainable



Date: **28 September-3 October 2009**

Venue: the historical castle and cultural centre of **Landcommanderij Alden Biesen**, Belgium: www.alden-biesen.be.

Course fee, including accommodation and full board: **750 Euro**.

Course brochure and further information:

<http://www.networks-in-education.eu/index.php?id=24>



>>Grundtvig/Comenius Mobility Grant available

The **ComNet** course **The Art of Networking** is a course officially registered in the European Commission's Comenius/Grundtvig course database:

<https://webgate.ec.europa.eu/llp/istcoursedatabase>

Course number: AT-2009-202-001

Staff of institutions involved in formal and non-formal adult education or school education can apply for a Grundtvig (adult education) or Comenius (school education) mobility grant to cover travel costs and course fee.

Grant application forms: Please go to the website of your National Agency:

http://ec.europa.eu/education/programmes/llp/national_en.html

Deadline for Grundtvig/Comenius grant applications:

30 April 2009

Before applying for a Grundtvig/Comenius grant please contact the course organisers and pre-register: myriam.swinnen@cjsm.vlaanderen.be

Participants will be asked to confirm their participation by **15 July 2009**.

>>Successful Piloting of Course The Art of Networking

From 24-29 November 2008 the training course **The Art of Networking** was successfully piloted at Alden Biesen. 26 participants - coming from adult education centres, universities, teacher education institutions, NGOs and regional authorities in 17 countries had been selected from a large number of applicants.

The response to the course was overwhelmingly positive and gave the organisers valuable feedback how to further optimize the training concept and materials.



More photos
of the pilot course:
<http://www.i-probenet.net/ABcomnetshow/>

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