



**WORKING CONFERENCE, MAY 13-15, 2013**

**ROLDUC ABBEY, 6464 KERGRADE, THE NETHERLANDS**

Living sustainable  
community-school  
collaboration:  
Learning for the future



## AIMS OF THE CONFERENCE

- Include all stakeholders of school and community collaboration for learning from each other
- Reflect on key stones and experiences in collaboration
- Explore new learning environments and new partnerships (inclusively poster presentations)
- Explore CoDeS products for stakeholders:
  - Digital handbook for authorities
  - E-platform for collaboration
  - Toolbox
  - Travelling guide
  - Challenges in isolated communities.

### TARGET GROUPS

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Municipalities, local administrators

Politicians and political net workers

NGOs, local entrepreneurs

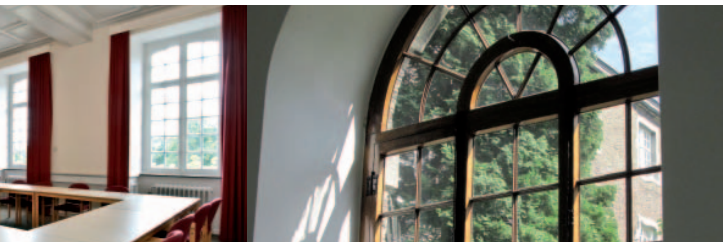
Pupils and teachers working in a school-community project

Partners planning a cooperation project

### MODALITIES OF PARTICIPATION

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Participants of the Conference are invited to present a poster of their school-community cooperation project. Posters will later be published in the CoDeS-blog. Guidelines for poster preparation will be published on CoDeS-website ([www.comenius-codes.eu](http://www.comenius-codes.eu))



## CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

### MONDAY MAY 13<sup>TH</sup>, 2013

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- 13:30 Registration
- 14:00 Welcome by the CoDeS Coordinator, Mayor of Kerkrade (to be confirmed), and the Director of RCE Rhine-Meuse Jos Eussen
- 15.00 Keynote by Prof. Dr. Mariona Espinet: 'Key stones of successful school and community collaboration – first findings from CoDeS case studies'
- 15.45 Introduction to school and community collaboration along the poster gallery  
Parallel Workshops on drafts of CoDeS products:
- Travelling guide (The way of school and community collaboration towards SD)
  - Toolbox (Methods, experiences and links supporting collaboration)
  - Digital handbook for authorities (Impulses and tools)
  - E-platform for collaboration
- Presentation and discussion of the elaborated drafts. Suggestions and proposals for the next steps by the stakeholders
- 17.45 Reporting from the workshops
- 19:00 Dinner and evening event

### TUESDAY MAY 14<sup>TH</sup>, 2013

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- 09:00 Opening of the day: 'Collaboration of school and community is Social Learning!' (to be confirmed)
- 09:20 Presentation of RCE Rhine-Meuse and its OPEDUCA approach
- 10:00 Keynote of a stakeholder from business: 'Benefits of school-community collaboration: A way to achieve Corporate Social Responsibility'

- 10:30 Keynote from a stakeholder from politics: 'The role of s/c collaboration in order to achieve sustainable development – opportunities and challenges'
- 11:15 Presentation of a school of the RCE Rhine-Meuse network: 'First hand experiences with s/c collaboration'. The voice of staff and pupils
- 12:00 Lunch
- 13:00 Debate with all stakeholders: 'Strengths and weaknesses of s/c collaboration. What we learned from each other, what we achieved, where we struggled' (In the light of presented posters)
- 14:30 Presentation of CoDeS 'Digital handbook for authorities' and the 'E-platform for collaboration of school and community': Discussion and first feedback
- 16:15 Conclusion of the day by CoDeS representatives and guests
- 17:30 Closure of the day and preparation for the evening program

### **WEDNESDAY MAY 15<sup>TH</sup>, 2013**

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- 09:00 Flashback on Tuesday
- 09:30 Open discussion with a politician, a representative of a NGO and a school: 'The role and the potential of stakeholders on the way towards SD'
- 11:00 First report from research project on isolated communities: 'Profiles of isolated communities and ways into integration'
- 11:45 Second set of parallel workshops on CoDeS products:
  - Travelling guide (The way of school and community collaboration towards SD)
  - Toolbox (Methods, experiences and links supporting collaboration)
  - Digital handbook for authorities (Impulses and tools)
  - E-platform for collaboration
- 13:00 Reporting from the workshops: Compilation of the feedbacks and discussion of proposals for further work on CoDeS products
- 13:45 Reflections on the Conference from the evaluators
- 14:00 Closing ceremony and lunch



## THE COMENIUS NETWORK CoDES

**CoDeS is a large Comenius network funded by the EU. The focus of CoDeS lies on experiences, key elements, methods and conditions of school-community cooperation. CoDeS network aims to include a European perspective on effective models, learning methods and tools as well as aspects of inclusion for a wide range of actors. CoDeS conferences open a forum for collaboration and debate of all stakeholders and the network partners.**

For more information see: <http://www.comenius-codes.eu>

### THE VENUE

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Abbey of Rolduc, Conference Hotel, 6464 Kerkrade/NL ([www.rolduc.com](http://www.rolduc.com)). Kerkrade is situated 20 km from Aachen/Germany, closest airports are Düsseldorf, Köln, Brussels and Amsterdam.

### CONFERENCE FEE

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3 days Conference inclusively full board on Rolduc Conference Hotel	€ 450,-
Student fee (age under 25)	€ 400,-
One single day	€ 185,-

### REGISTRATION

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Registration on CoDeS website ([www.comenius-codes.eu](http://www.comenius-codes.eu)) will be opened at the end of January

Registration closing: March 31<sup>st</sup> 2013

Book your room at <http://www.rolduc.com/index.php?lang=en>

or by phone +31 45 54 66 888



## TRAVEL INFORMATION

### FROM AIRPORT AMSTERDAM (NETHERLANDS) BY TRAIN:

Intercity NS Amsterdam – Heerlen

Travel time: appr. 2.30 hours

From Heerlen taxi to the Abbey of Rolduc, appr. 15 minutes.

### FROM AIRPORT BRUSSELS (BELGIUM):

Airport train to Brussels midi, here train to Maastricht (The Netherlands) via Liege/Luik in Belgium.

Travel time: appr. 1.30 hours

From Maastricht taxi to Kerkrade (Abbey of Rolduc) - appr. 25 min.

### KÖLN OR DÜSSELDORF (GERMANY)

Train from Köln or Düsseldorf to Aachen (Germany).

Travel time: appr. 1.00 hour

From Aachen taxi to Abbey of Rolduc, appr. 20 min.

More information at <http://www.raileurope.com/index.html>

