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CoDeS Mailing 14

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1. ERASMUS+ : Course on CoDeS methods and products!

New regulation in ERASMUS+!!

DEADLINE funding via your organisation and/or school: March 17th midday, at your national agency!

Sustainable schools and communities - learning through collaboration - the CoDeS approach

Course details:

The course is fully funded by ERASMUS+ (new EU-programme). Important: Registration deadline is March 17th midday at your national agency! All information for this is at the end of this leaflet!

Date: 13th -15th October 2014

Venue: The Course will take place in Leicester UK . <http://www.goleicestershire.com/> at De Montfort University <http://dmu.ac.uk/home.aspx>

Fee: The course fee is 200 Euros including course materials and refreshments (lunch).

Topics: We have a great **programme of activities** that fit around the CoDeS themes. These include

- Using e-learning and tablet technologies to aid collaboration
- Global learning - local projects for global impact.
- Visions and values for ESD
- Sustainable school buildings- designs that aid collaboration
- School Gardens - what works and how to sustain pupil engagement

- ESD - a curriculum for collaboration
- Extreme weather- on line resources to support school-community discussion.

Participants will take away the **full range of CoDeS products** completed over a 3 year period by more than 30 European ESD experts and will also

- have the opportunity to learn more about this successful model of school-community collaboration
- experience examples of best practice derived from the CoDeS tool kit
- be supported to create a school-community action plan

The course has been developed in the frame of CoDeS. This network was funded under the previous 'lifelong learning arrangements' and is a 'Comenius' project (our reference 517621-LLP-1-2011-1-CH-COMENIUS-CNW/2011-3853) its focus is set on collaboration of schools and communities in order to implement Sustainable Development

In this course we will take a practical, but research evidenced approach as to what 'works' in Learning for Sustainability. CoDeS adds extra value to this process by exploring how we can make this learning more meaningful to the whole school community, by creating effective community relationships.

It will take advantage of the knowledge and experience accumulated throughout the 3 year long CoDeS project . We will show how this works in practice by drawing on the experiences of a wide variety of ESD school-community practitioners. This will include NGOs, local businesses, politicians, and academics. Of course the practice of our local schools and how they have benefited will be a key part.

Course target group: Erasmus+ brings together previous programmes including Leonardo, Grundvig, Youth in Action and Comenius, we believe this is a great opportunity for trialling such a cross phase scheme. Environmental educators across the sectors are welcome. Our approach is that we can learn much from each other. These can include NGOs; Representatives from Educational and Environmental Departments of Municipalities; Educational policy makers; Junior and senior researchers in Education, EE and ESD; Private Sector representatives involved in school community collaboration; Students from higher education institutions; and of course school teachers and headmasters.

For detailed information about the course and also about ERASMUS+ see:
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