



WHAT IS GRUNDTVIG?





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Grundtvig has been part of the European Union's Socrates programme since 2000.



Socrates is being replaced by the new
LIFELONG LEARNING PROGRAMME 2007-2013

This will include the following programmes:

Comenius
Grundtvig
Erasmus
Leonardo

Transversal Programme

ICT
Languages
Policy development
Dissemination and Valorisation
ARION





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The aims of Grundtvig are:



- Promoting European co-operation in lifelong learning
- Helping to provide adults with pathways to improving their knowledge and competences
- Improving the training of those involved in adult education
- Developing products with potential for use in different countries



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Benefits to adult learners

- Increase the capacity to play an active role in society
- Develop intercultural awareness
- Improve employability
- Enhance the capacity to enter or re-enter formal education



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PARTICIPATING COUNTRIES



A total of 31 countries currently take part:

- **The 25 EU countries:** Austria, Belgium, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Ireland, Italy, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, the Netherlands, Poland, Portugal, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden and the United Kingdom.
- **3 EEA/EFTA countries:** Iceland, Liechtenstein and Norway.
- **3 associated countries:** Bulgaria, Romania and Turkey
- **+ possibly Switzerland, Croatia and Macedonia in future**



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WHO CAN APPLY?

‘Every organisation working in the field of adult learning’

- Formal
- Non-formal
- Target group - adults over 25 and 16-24 year olds not in formal education
- Emphasis on ‘hard to reach groups’



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Priority Groups include:

- People without basic education and qualifications
- People living in disadvantaged areas (socio-economic disadvantage)
- Disabled people including those with special educational needs
- 'Hard to reach' groups



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Eligible Institutions include:

- Primary, secondary schools, further education colleges, community schools, universities etc
- Organisations training adult education staff
- Local and regional authorities
- Non-formal and informal education providers, such as non-profit foundations and associations, trade unions, libraries, museums and SMEs



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4 TYPES OF GRUNDTVIG PROJECTS



G1 - European Co-operation Projects

G2 - Learning Partnerships

G3 - Mobility for adult educators

G4 - Networks





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Grundtvig 1 Projects - Centralised



- At least 3 institutions across at least 3 countries, pooling knowledge and experience to achieve concrete, innovative results
- Average grant 100,000 Euros per annum
- Two distinct types of G1 project:
 - i. G1.1 - Development of Grundtvig Training Courses for adult education staff
 - maximum duration = 2 years
 - ii. G1 - General Projects
 - maximum duration = 3 years



G1.1 Training Courses



- Year 1: Developing
- Year 2: Testing and Delivery

Courses should:

- have a European dimension
- be open to all eligible countries
- cover any adult education theme or dissemination of project results
- Include 20 - 30 teaching hours + observation





G1 General Projects

Themes include improving:-

- Content and delivery of adult education
- Adult education systems
- Accessibility of learning opportunities for adults
- Management of adult education



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G4 Grundtvig Networks

(NB this information could change with new programme)

Two distinct types of grant are available

- 1. Grundtvig Networks** - a small number of networks supported for up to 3 years. Each has to involve at least 10 countries.
- 2. Grundtvig Thematic Seminars** - one-year grants of a maximum of €50,000 - aim to lead to Grundtvig 4 networks - should involve at least 3 countries.



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Application Procedure (G1 and G4)

NB No pre-proposal in November 2006 but this deadline may be re-introduced in 2007

Full proposal deadline 15th March 2007

Apply direct to Brussels

- Outcome known in Summer 2007
- Projects begin in Autumn 2007





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G2 LEARNING PARTNERSHIPS



These are small-scale co-operation activities:

- Aim to increase the participation of smaller organisations
- Encouraged to interconnect with initiatives in the local community
- Learners actively involved!
- At least 3 institutions across at least 3 countries
- 1-2 years duration, (maximum 2 years likely in future)



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G2 Project Themes



- Basic skills
- Active citizenship
- Intercultural issues
- Learning about European countries / the EU
- Arts, music and culture
- ICT
- Education for parents
- Environment / Sustainable development
- Consumer Education
- Health



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GENERAL SELECTION PRIORITIES



- 'Hard to reach' groups
- Combating racism and xenophobia
- Equality of opportunity
- Organisations with little or no previous experience of EU programmes
- Information and communication technologies
- Foreign language learning





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QUALITY CRITERIA

- Clear aims and objectives
- Concrete workplan
- Active learner involvement
- Balanced partnership
- Project management arrangements
- Dissemination strategy
- Impact and future sustainability
- Justified and eligible budget





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Examples of eligible G2 activities



- Seminars / workshops / conferences
- Bi- / multilateral exchanges of staff / learners
- Fieldwork, project research
- Performances (e.g. theatre plays, musicals, etc) or exhibitions resulting from the project activities
- Web site / internet based activities

Possible new activity types under the new programme:

- Learning seminars
- European Assistantships
- Volunteering scheme



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TEDDY BEAR project

This project aims to:

- encourage elderly people to share their life histories with primary school children
- encourage interaction between the two groups with the children helping the older people with their ICT studies
- capture through the children's work the creative effects of this exchange
- develop sustainable European links through intergenerational learning





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WHY PROJECT WAS RATED HIGHLY



- Innovative way of engaging priority target group
- Very active involvement of learners
- Clear description of project activities and anticipated outputs
- Excellent dissemination strategy – continuous throughout project
- Clear coordination and rôle allocation



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TEDDY BEAR
PROJECT



G2 Funding

- The funding of Grundtvig 2 projects is changing. It is likely that ‘lump sum’ funding will be introduced and that contracts will be issued to cover the whole lifetime of the project (2 years).
- Hence projects can expect to receive their lump sum at the beginning of the two years and will not need to renew their application the following year.



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Getting Started



Finding partners

- Contact seminars
- Courses (e.g. Grundtvig 3)
- Website (<http://partbase.eupro.se> or <http://siu.no/socpart>)
- Town twinning / College links
- Existing networks

Preparatory Visits

- Key to good planning and preparation
- Chance to build personal relationships
- Up to **€1000** per person (usually one person)
- Apply up to 2 weeks beforehand (more if possible)



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Contact Seminars in 2006 (G1 & G2)



September

- **21st to 24th September - Malta**

Performing Arts – A tool in adult education

Application Deadline 14th July 2006

- **28th Sept to 1st Oct - Lithuania**

Intercultural Communication for a Multilingual EU

Application Deadline 21st July 2006





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- **8th to 12th November – Flanders**

Enhancing Equal Opportunity for Youngsters/Adults

Application Deadline 29th September 2006

- **16th to 19th November – Denmark**

*Learning for Intercultural Awareness and Inclusion
in Suburban Areas*

Application Deadline 29th August 2006

**If you would like to apply or receive information for one of
the above seminars, please contact Dimple Makwana:
dimple.makwana@britishcouncil.org**







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Application Procedure



G2 Learning Partnerships

Application deadline = 15th March 2007

NB in future years this deadline may change.

Application forms can be obtained from the British Council or from our website (www.socrates-uk.net)

- Each partner must apply to its own National Agency
- Notification of outcome at the end of June
- Earliest starting date for activities - 1 August





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G3 Mobility of Adult Educators



- To improve practical teaching / coaching / counselling skills and to gain a broader understanding of lifelong learning in Europe
 - Training courses
 - Work-shadowing placements
- Between 2 days and 4 weeks in duration
- Participant profile - tutors, trainers, managers, counsellors, mentors, staff working with migrant workers and travellers





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G3 Mobility



- Currently a grant award of up to 1,500 Euros, but this amount may change in new programme
 - to help cover travel and subsistence costs, course fees and language preparation, where appropriate
- Courses on new online database:
<http://ec.europa.eu/education/trainingdatabase/>
- Applications should be submitted on behalf of institutions, not individuals
- Currently a rolling application deadline (4-6 weeks before start of activity), but this may change to three fixed deadlines per year



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WHERE AND HOW TO APPLY



Download the forms at www.socrates-uk.net

Please check the website regularly for the latest updates

Prep Visits

Send application to the British Council
in London or Edinburgh)

Rolling deadline: 4 - 6 weeks before visit

G2 & G3

Send application to the British Council

G2 – 15th March 2007

G3 – Currently a rolling deadline: 4 - 6 weeks
before

G1 & G4

Send application to Brussels

15th March for full proposal

**N.B. If you wish to discuss your project idea, e-mail us at
socrates@britishcouncil.org**





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Key documents



- **Application Forms 2006**

www2.britishcouncil.org/home/learning/socrates/socrates-how-to-apply.htm (for training grants and prep visits)

- **Compendia of projects**

http://ec.europa.eu/education/programmes/socrates/grundtvig/info_en.html

NB All documents can also be accessed via

www.socrates-uk.net





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Useful Websites



- www.socrates-uk.net - check for updates!
- www.niace.org.uk
- www.wea.org.uk
- http://ec.europa.eu/education/programmes/socrates/socrates_en.html (*The current programme*)
- <http://partbase.eupro.se> (*Partner finding database*)
- <http://siu.no/socpart> (*Partner finding database*)
- www.eaea.org
- www.sokrates.at/survivalkit (*Project management tips*)





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