



**Bridging Europe - A Danish/Polish
Network For Teachers and Organisers
In Upper Secondary Education**

Background

IUC Europe - the Danish Europe House - has as its main goal to further international understanding and communication based upon the current European integration process in order to create a network within this region. IUC Europe has an extensive network of national and international partners in most European countries and is linked with The Danish Cultural Institute for the Danish/Polish Project.

The Danish Cultural Institute has established branch offices in several countries, especially in the countries by the Baltic Sea such as Poland, Lithuania, Latvia, Estonia and from January 2003 also in Skt. Petersburg in Russia. In cooperation with the head office in Copenhagen these offices facilitate exchange of arts, culture and society with Denmark.

Aims and Objectives

What kind of society do we want? And how do we get there?

How do we tailor our educational systems to comply with the demands/wishes of society in a globalised future?

To answer these questions the project aims at:

- Creating a network among teachers from the after wall generation responsible for education, human development and lifelong learning of the future
- Introducing an international as well as an IT dimension in pedagogy and methodology through the establishment of an interactive work forum and permanent links between Denmark and Poland
- Increasing an interest and public participation in the local community/society on educational and international matters

Target groups

Participating countries:

Denmark and Poland

20 participants from each country

Agegroup: 25-40 years (45)

The programme is aimed at Danish and Polish educators and administrators/organisers in upper secondary education.

All participants must speak English, since English will be the working language, and work within the fields of Social Studies, History, Polish/Danish and/or within the fields of administration/organisation.

Project period and description

Autumn 2003 - Autumn 2004

The project is developed in 4 preliminary stages:

Stage A:

Implementation phase /October 2003- January 2004

Selection of 20 participants from Københavns Amt, a Danish region in the metropolitan area.

Selection of 20 participants from the Lodz, Poznan and Krakow regions

Meeting in Poznan for Polish participants January 2004

Matching of participants and introduction to the programme

Stage B:

Study visits/job shadowing in Denmark March 2004
Arrival: Sunday 21 March
Departure: Saturday 27 March)
Transport: By train/bus and ferry
5 working days (week 12 or 13)
Homestay with Danish partners

Stage C:

Study visits/job shadowing Poland 2004
Arrival: Sunday 19 September (or Sunday 26 Sept)
Departure: Saturday 25 September (or Saturday 2 Oct)

Stage D:

Evaluation report. Dissemination of project results.
Establishment of permanent network. Autumn 2004.

Draft programme for study visit in Denmark

A general introduction to education in Denmark
Visit to host school
Visit to Naerum Gymnasium (High school with focus on ICT programmes)
Visit to VUC Vestegnen (adult education) and the County Centre
Visit to GL –trade union for Danish teachers at high school level
Visit to Sankt Annae Gymnasium (International programmes)
Visit to host school/Farewell dinner in town

Funding

IUC-Europe and The Danish Cultural Institute will be responsible for fundraising. The participating Danish schools pay DKK 1.200,-

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