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# VIA LIGHT

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Dear ladies and gentlemen,  
dear colleagues,  
dear reader,

We are glad to present the second issue of the VIA LIGHT newsletter, in which the following topics are covered:

- 1) VIA LIGHT in the second quarter of 2012: what have we achieved?
- 2) VIA LIGHT in the future: what is awaiting us?

## 1) VIA LIGHT in the second quarter: What have we achieved?

### 2nd International Meeting

The Second International Meeting of partner organisations in the VIA LIGHT project took place in Chisinau, Moldova, from 22-25 April 2012. During busy working days in Chisinau, specific steps were taken in order to reach the project's objectives. The meeting participants defined criteria for the evaluation of educational work in bilingual education institutions. Moreover, they also took decisions to carry out the active testing of teachers in the education institutions of project partners on the basis of specified criteria.

Moreover, the video conference with European Parliament MP Dr. Tatiana Zhdanyuk (Latvia) in Brussels took place in the Chisinau branch of the RIA Novosti news agency. During that conference, a variety of subjects were discussed, among which are: support of bilingualism in the EU in the context of cooperation with neighbouring countries; situation with the Russian language in the context of the European dialogue; problems of cooperation in the framework of multilingualism support for the new European generation as well as support for Russian-speaking migrants. The video record of the conference can be watched by clicking on the following link: <http://newsmoldova.ru/multimedia/20120426/191333675.html>

### Third International Meeting

In the second quarter, the Third International Meeting of partner organisations took place: this time it was in Plovdiv, sunny Bulgaria, from 10-13 June 2012. In the course of that conference, results of the analysis of the performed selective evaluation were discussed and certain deficiencies concerning the preparation of teaching staff working with bilingual children were discovered. Finally, participants of the conference agreed upon the content of the main themes that, after their elaboration in partner countries, would comprise the foundation for future training courses.

#### Reminder:

**It is worth mentioning that the main aim of the VIA LIGHT project is the bilingual and intercultural upbringing of children in the context of the modern European policy of tolerance towards a variety of cultures through bi- and multilingual education.**

### The educational Internet platform

The first version of the future educational Internet platform of the VIA LIGHT project has been developed. That platform will soon become an integral part of professional training courses. It will thus bring together both teachers and pupils of partner organisations from all over Europe, thanks to the implementation of modern technologies and educational teaching methods (on-line libraries, forums, topic chats, etc.). In this way it will be possible to provide for an instant exchange of information and experiences as well as discussions about various questions on the subject of bilingual upbringing and education. During the Plovdiv meeting, the list of teaching modules seminars was agreed upon. That list will serve as the foundation for shaping the programme of professional development for teachers working in bilingual education institutions.



## 2) VIA LIGHT in the future: What is awaiting us?

In the interim period between international meetings, partner organisations will maintain contact with the help of monthly online video conferences in order to coordinate working processes in a more effective way. The first video conference of such a kind will be organised on 19 September 2012. Its agenda will include the preparation of training courses, the engagement with new participants and the provision of professional development in selected partner countries.

Dear readers,

We are very glad that you are interested in the VIA LIGHT project! Please also visit our web-site at the following address: [www.vialight.eu](http://www.vialight.eu). There you will find a lot of interesting information about developments of our project as well as photos and videos.

*Your VIA LIGHT team*

The second meeting of VIA LIGHT participants in Chisinau (Moldova), April 2012

