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Dear readers,
Dear colleagues,
Ladies and gentlemen,

We are glad to present you with the third issue of the VIA LIGHT newsletter. In this issue the following topics are covered:

- 1) VIA LIGHT in the third quarter: What have we achieved?
- 2) VIA LIGHT in the future: What is awaiting us?

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The first video conference

On 19 September 2012, the first virtual video conference took place with partners of the VIA LIGHT project. In spite of the fact that this virtual form of communication was unusual for all participants, the event itself proved to be a success. The conference participants discussed the stages of the project and how they are being implemented in their own countries. They also introduced their cooperation partners and analysed proposals aimed at the testing of education modules that will be organised with the assistance of these partners.

On the whole, the first video conference can be viewed as a successful start of the VIA LIGHT project's future virtual education platform. In the course of the video conference, it became clear that talks and discussions of a scientific nature can also be carried out online. Moreover, it should be noted that such talks and discussions are in no way inferior to those taking place in "real" life.

Virtual education platform

During the third quarter, a business meeting took place that was centred around the organisational-technical preparation of the virtual education platform in the framework of our project. Representatives of our media partners, SCHLEICHER-FARM.COM and RIA-Novosti, met in Moscow to discuss programme-technical principles of the future education platform and to find technical solutions that correspond to pedagogical and methodical demands of online learning and teaching. The meeting proved to be successful. As a result of the meeting, the implementation programme for the virtual platform has been selected. This programme will be implemented during the fourth quarter of the project.

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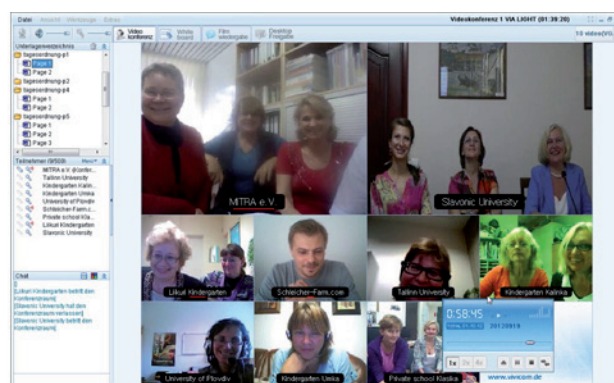
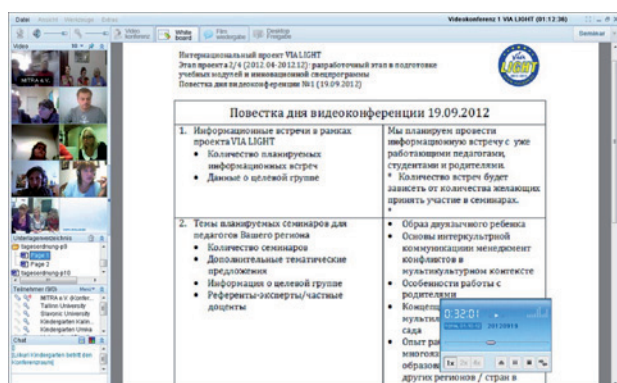
It is worth remembering that the “Learning platform” (“Lernplattform”) will become an indispensable part of advanced professional development courses. Owing to the use of modern technologies and teaching/learning methods (online libraries, forums, thematic chats, etc.), the Internet portal will connect both teachers and pupils from partner organisations from all over Europe. In this way, it will be possible to provide information instantaneously and to experience the exchange as well as discussions on questions around the subject of bilingual upbringing and education.

In the future monthly video conferences will be held in which the work with cooperation partners will be planned, coordinated and discussed.

Thus, the main task of the VIA LIGHT project is already being turned into reality, namely, the preparation and organisation of European special courses and education modules aimed at the professional development of teachers and tutors. These courses form the basis for the further development of European education and the preparation of specialists in the field of bilingual education. During future conferences, it is planned to specify certain topics and organisational moments in order to conduct the first professional development courses in 2013.

We are very glad that you have shown an interest in the VIA LIGHT project! Please also visit our web-site at the following address: 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



First video conferences of VIA LIGHT participants