

Invitation to the PL4SD Conference on Peer Learning for the Social Dimension of the EHEA

in Vienna on April 2-3, 2014

ABOUT THE CONFERENCE

The conference aims on exchanging experiences, stimulating peer learning and learning from other countries on how to improve the social dimension of students in the EHEA.

A selection of measures from different countries collected by the PL4SD project will be presented and discussed around the following four thematic areas:

1. Examples of national action plans for the social dimension
2. Examples of special access criteria for underrepresented groups of students
3. Different ways to improve the situation of students with disabilities
4. Various forms of counselling & guidance for prospective students

Representatives from Austria, France, Georgia, Germany, Greece, Ireland, Lithuania, Norway, Poland, Romania, Serbia and the United Kingdom have been invited to present some of their measures in these areas delivered to the PL4SD database. The database itself will be launched at the conference.

The programme addresses representatives of ministries and stakeholder organisations (e.g. rectors' conferences, student unions) and researchers/practitioners from all member states of the EHEA. The language of the conference is English.

The full programme will be available in February 2014 at our web page www.pl4sd.eu.

Practical info

DATE

2nd of April 2014: 9:00a.m. – 6:00p.m.

3rd of April 2014: 9:00a.m. – 1:00p.m.

VENUE

Federal Ministry of Science, Research and Economy (BMWFV)

Freyung 3, 1010 Vienna, Austria

REGISTRATION AND COSTS

There is no registration fee; however, participants have to pay for transport and accommodation themselves.

To register, please send us the attached form **until 14th of March 2014**. If you need an invitation for visa application, please refer to: info@pl4sd.eu.

ACCOMMODATION

We have secured competitive rates for conference participants at hotels nearby. You will receive further booking information after registration.

However, rooms at reduced prizes have to be booked until the end of February 2014.

CONTACT

If you need any further information, please go to our website www.pl4sd.eu or contact us via info@pl4sd.eu.

About PL4SD

PL4SD – Peer Learning Initiative for the Social Dimension

- Ministries responsible for HE and stakeholders in HE of 47 member states of the EHEA are called upon to participate in the project
- Providing resources to enable international exchange of experiences and practices in order to develop efficient measures to improve the social dimension
- The **BFUG Working Group on Social Dimension and Lifelong Learning** (2012-2015) has initiated the project and acts as an advisory body to the project.
- PL4SD is supported by the LL-Programme of the EU

Database with over 220 policies & practices

- Over 220 measures aiming at improving the social dimension, collated in the first out of 3 rounds of data collection
- Filled in by representatives of ministries & stakeholders (e.g. national rector's conferences, student unions) from more than 25 countries
- Going public of the database at the conference: www.pl4sd.eu

Exchange of experiences

- Country reviews assisting in developing a national SD strategy
- PL4SD Conference April 2014: Presentation & discussion of various measures in the SD
- Final conference February 2015

The Project Consortium



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REGISTRATION FORM

Contact details	
Title (Ms./Mrs./Mr.)	
First Name	
Last Name	
Organisation	
Department	
Position	
Email Address	
Country	
Preferred Session	National action plans for the social dimension Special access criteria for underrepresented groups of students Improving the situation of students with disabilities Counselling & guidance for prospective students
Do you need a formal invitation?	Yes No

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