Smart city, smart work, smart life? Smart teaching! Tackling digital transformation in adult learning

- Training for Educators and educational organizations
- February 24-29, 2020
- In Brussels, Maison N.-D. du Chant-d’Oiseau, Avenue des Franciscains, 3A

Digitization is a key word in policy, in media and as well a topic for education. In particular, it becomes more relevant for Education for Democratic Citizenship/Human Rights Education. What does this actually mean? What kind of digitization in culture, state, education, work or civil society is already happening?

Educators and their organizations need to build expertise and exchange on how digitization relates to their work in order to enable learners to understand these processes and to find their position to the digital transformation. In particular, we want to explore what role democratic citizenship education might play and what topics and forms of training and learning might be developed.

**Digitization as a major social, cultural and economic process into education**
Understanding the transformation is crucial for citizens in Europe. Therefore, we will explore the impact of digitization on education, in particular on adult education. We are asking, how digital learning and learning about digitization as a social, political, and cultural topic might be supported by competency-centred approaches and become (more) integrated in lifelong-learning contexts.

**Perspectives on digitization explored in a cross-sectoral way**
In order to come into a dialogue and to increase the cross-sectoral understanding of the common challenge, our group will meet with experts from different social sectors working on digitization including the civil society, policy, parliament, labour and education. We invited European Digital Rights (EDRi), the European Commission, European Economic and Social Committee (EESC), European Parliament, the Lifelong Learning Platform and one of the digital platforms using and developing big data.

**Rights, law and democratic participation dimension**
Third, we will look into the rights dimension and ask how rights and law could align or develop in order to guarantee and support democratic development, autonomy, a life in dignity, and citizens’ participation.
The hosting organizations
The training is organized in the frame of the project DIGIT-AL – Digital Transformation in Adult Learning for Active Citizenship. The partners are: Arbeitskreis deutscher Bildungsstätten AdB (DE), Democracy and Human Rights Education in Europe (BE), Partners Bulgaria Foundation (BG), Centro per la Cooperazione Internazionale (IT), Rede Inducar, CRL (PT), Education Development Center (LV), and Jaan Tomissioni Insituut MTU (EE). More about the project: https://dare-network.eu/digit-al/

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Interested?
For DARE members and experts or educators with a formal connection to the members we might offer limited places. Thanks to the support we might reimburse travel costs as well as board/lodging during the program days. Please indicate your interest with the attached PDF not later than January 7th 2020. More information: Nils-Eyk Zimmermann | zimmermann@adb.de | Project Coordinator DIGIT-AL

The Agenda

24th February: Arrival Day

25th February: Digital Transformation and Adult Education

26th February: Sector Perspectives
Changes and challenges in culture, public infrastructure, state, economy, social life. Meeting experts from Brussels/BE.

27th February: Sector Perspectives
Conclusions regarding inputs and meetings. Transfer into educational context: Empowerment or threat to citizens, the democratic engagement perspective, Digital Competence frameworks and approaches. Afternoon: Meeting experts from Brussels/BE.

28th February: Education Perspective
Conclusions regarding inputs and meetings. Transfer into educational context. Meeting with experts from adult and lifelong learning.

29th February: Conclusions, Transfer
Conclusions. What material, training, content knowledge would help educators and educational organizations? What are innovative measures and good practices? Follow-up activities among us and to the DIGIT-AL project activities and research. End after lunch.