The LeTS GO Project: Language eTeachers Services

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Abstract

The Lets Go project intends to promote the practical experimentation of the LeTS Portal (http://www.leonardo-lets.net) developed during the Lets project, funded by the European Commission in the framework of the LifeLong Learning Programme Leonardo Da Vinci SubProgramme (N° I/05/B/F/LA-154099). The LetS Go project is addressed to school teachers and professional trainers. The aim is to enable them to:

- choose quality language teaching products identifying those that best meet specific educational needs,
- use the products available either as an alternative or as integration of traditional methodologies,
- create educational and training products that exploit the potential of new technologies.

The products available on the LeTS Portal are:

1) An on-line training courses on the following themes:
   - Introduction to e-Learning
   - Research and Evaluation of e-Learning Material for Language Teaching and Learning.
   - Effective use of e-Learning products for Language Learning.

2) On-line database of products for the teaching and learning of 20 European languages in a professional context, selected and evaluated by language training experts.

3) On-line database of e-learning experiences carried out by language trainers and teachers.

4) On-line availability of an Interactive form for the evaluation of e-learning products and technologies for language learning and of a “ready to use kit” which contains a selection and review of technical tools and software for the production of e-learning material for language learning in a professional context.

In the framework of the LeTS GO project the following activities are carried out:

- Creation of a virtual community of 300 language teachers and trainers
- Upgrade and expansion of products and services available on the LeTS portal
- Delivery of training course to the teachers and trainers involved on the following topic:
- Experimentation with the students of the educational packages developed by the teachers and trainers

The European Label 2010 was assigned to the ELS Portal. The European Label is assigned by the European Commission in cooperation with the National Ministries of Education and of Labour. The European Label is assigned to the best initiatives promoting Language teaching and Learning.