IN2IT
WP4 - DEVELOPMENT AND DELIVERY OF INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY OF PRACTICE FOR KNOWLEDGE-SHARING

Milan, 6-8 February 2017
Community of practice

Communities of practice are groups of people who share a concern or a passion for something they do and learn how to do it better as they interact regularly.

(Etienne and Beverly Wenger-Trayner, 2015)
Community of Practice

- The practice is important because it identifies knowledge with something people “do” as part of their culture, profession, or avocations.

- CoP balance between sharing a practice and staying in contact constantly.
CoP and technology

- If information is a strategic asset the potential of technology is crucial
  - Content
  - Connection
  - Information context
  - Supporting a COMMON PURPOSE
WP4 Objectives

1. To create international Communities of Practice (CoP) for knowledge-sharing and initiation of joint research projects and grants;

2. To develop international interactive online arena for academic CoP that will promote the establishment of research capacity in the partner institutions;

3. To promote opportunities of international CoP for collaboration.
Specific Objectives

1. To facilitate online discussion among WP3 International teams for developing online curriculum;

2. To stimulate sharing of experiences and needs in internationalization for supporting the creation of new synergies;

3. To foster international collaboration among Higher Education Institutions for developing Joint Research Project ideas.

1. WP4 is composed of 3 major tasks:
   2. T4.1 Establishment of communities of practice.
   3. T4.2 Organization of online and on-site meetings.
   4. T4.3 Development of international relations network for collaboration.
WP 4.1 Establishment of CoP

1. CoP will be established by academic and administrative staff

2. CoP is based on teamwork by people who share a profession or expertise

3. Each one of the Israeli partner colleges will assign a responsible person for scanning and mapping all expertise areas of staff members in the institution, who will be invited to join the CoP.
WP 4.1 Establishment of CoP

1. This process will result in homogeneous groups of interest

2. The WP leader will assign a **local CoP leader** from one of the partner colleges and Universities (Community Animator)

3. who will be responsible to create a contact list of members, define the topics of interest, and communicate all relevant information to IN2IT consortium members and external stakeholders.

Due date 15/02/2017
IN2IT Community structure

- Online environment for hosting the Cop launched on July 2016
  - https://in2it.vbulletin.net/
- The Community has been launched as private environment where just IN2IT partners will have access.
- This setting can be changed in the future
Some data about CoP

- **Posts**: 48
- **Members**: 68
  - *Source: Vbulletin*
- **627 Sessions**
- **300 Users**
- **1414 pageview**
  - *Source: Google Analytics*

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IN2IT Community structure

The CoP

IN2IT Researchers, teachers, professionals

Sharing experiences and/or needs

Developing new joint projects and initiatives

The International teams

IN2IT teachers

Groups for discussing and preparing online curriculum on chosen themes
IN2IT Community areas

The CoP

IN2IT Researchers, teachers, professionals

Sharing experiences and/or needs
Community Tellers section

Developing new joint projects and initiatives
Community Pathfinders section

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Community Tellers

Reflecting together on past experiences for improving or developing new initiatives

Sharing experiences in internationalization putting in evidence strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and difficulties

Community Tellers outcomes
Community Pathfinders

Developing ideas for possible future projects and initiatives with international partners

- Joint Research Proposals
- Joint Courses/Curriculum
- Proposals International Exchange
- Joint Papers
- Joint Workshops and Events

Community Pathfinders outcomes
# Community Pathfinders

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**Community Pathfinders**

- **Community Pathfinders**
  - Joint Research Proposals
    - Grants and funding opportunities and call for research collaboration
  - Joint Courses/Curriculum Proposals
    - Proposal for joint courses in Higher Education, call for partners, call for ideas
  - International Exchange
    - Study visits, international students or researchers exchange, travelling and researching without boundaries, tips and tricks
  - Joint Papers
    - Call for contributors and ideas to write hand in hand
  - Joint Workshops and Events
    - Ideas for building a thematic workshop/conference with international colleagues
  - Other ideas
    - List here all the ideas, proposals, tips and tricks not included in the other categories

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Community animation activities

**What is it?**
1. Actions that have to be carried out in the online environment

**Which are the objectives?**
2. Keep community members engaged
3. Attract new people
4. Stimulate productivity and network capabilities of the community

**Who is involved?**
6. At least 1 people responsible for each partner
Community animation activities

How?

1. **Start new discussions** by proposing contents/ideas/requests on the topic of interest
2. **Share** own experiences
3. **Propose** contents/articles/resources able to stimulate discussions
4. **Reply** and comment posts from other
5. **Monitor** the Community
6. **Invite** new people to join
How to enrol

1. Click **Sign Up**;
2. **Fill the form** with data required;
3. **Activate** your account following mail instructions;
4. You’ll receive a **welcome e-mail** confirming your account validation: now you can access the CoP!
How to enrol – Sign up

IN2IT - the Community of Practice

Project IN2IT aspires to offer an innovative technological platform for academic international relations.

The Community of Practice is the place where researchers, teachers, and administrative staff from Higher Education Institutions (Universities, Colleges, etc.) can share experiences, ideas and needs with the objective to create new relations and joint projects for potentiating internationalization capabilities.

The IN2IT project was awarded by the Education, Audiovisual and Culture Executive Agency – EACEA in the Erasmus Plus Programme for education, training, youth and sport. The IN2IT is a three-year project (2016-2019) that will be executed by 14 partners from Israel and the EU.

Since the community of practice is a working area among project partners, the access is at the moment restricted only to registered users coming from Universities and Colleges directly involved in IN2IT Project.

Please register if you are a new user or Login if you already have an account.

For any further question, you can Contact Us.
How to enrol – Fill the form

Username
Password
Name & Surname
How to enrol – After registration
Next steps:

- Register to the CoP and fill your personal profile
- Build confidence with the online space
- Start with the animation activities (community pathfinders and community tellers)
- Define the responsible for WP4 activities at your institution
- Use the CoP to publish your proposals
Community support

For methodological support in the Forum use or in conducting the animation activity contact us at in2it@polimi.it

For any technical support you can use FAQ