

THINK TANK CREATING CAPTIVATING TEACHING STRATEGIES FOR VULNERABLE LEARNERS



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WHY NOT TRY? / IT WOULD BE A GOOD IDEA TO ...

- o To activate the interest of the elderly citizens on modern technology by playing chess with the computer
- o Try to involve some chess clubs to organize some common games or competitions with senior players.
- o Install PC's and Internet in a community building and offer a free access to the Internet for the citizens of the community.
- o Offer regularly meetings in a public PC room of the community
- Offer 15 minutes Skype sessions for senior citizens in outlying villages to keep in contact with their family members. After 3 free sessions they maybe try to learn it by theirselfes.
- o Organize on a Weekend a <u>Lifelong Learning Festival</u> together with other Educational Associations, Schools, Clubs, with the citizens and Families from the region. You can offer free workshops, exercises, games, meals (not free), dancing, music, and so on
- o Concept: A Lifelong Learning Festival is a free manifestation that for visitors of all age and educational background should be interesting. The Lifelong Learning Festival should offer to the actors the possibility, to demonstrate learning and education in a public and positive way. By taking part and trying the different activities during this Festival, the visitors could come in contact with the educational institutions. The participating actors should promote with joy and engagement for Education and Lifelong Learning. All participating Institutions could share their knowledge with the visitors and animate them to try, to take part and to make experiences. Such a Festival is an excellent possibility, to demonstrate the resources of the institutions to the public. All Actors can show the regional potential and the diversity.
- o Show and work with the pictures from this Festival in the public PC room of the community together with the citizens (idea: poster, photo book, picture agenda,...)

NECESSARY CONDITIONS: MATERIAL / PLACE / TIME

- You need a local chess club and contacts to other clubs to give the senior citizens an initiation in playing chess and to organize competitions
- You need a community for the cooperation and material to install a public Computer- and Internet room in a community building. (1
 4 working Places and video demonstration, beamer).
- o Control and Care the technical material and to keep it up to date
- o To give senior citizens an easy access for the inscription, the ministry of education has to offer different forms of inscription for the courses (by phone or personal inscription at the community, etc....)
- o Individual courses for seniors 1:1 at the beginning, later small groups with maximum 4 participants
- o Less prices for the courses
- Instructors with a good knowledge and educational skills to teach seniors and employment seekers in outlying regions (easy and slow steps)
- Fix Date and Place and find Partners and Sponsors to organize a Lifelong Learning Festival. Partners of a Lifelong Learning Festival are
 a community, educational institutions, cultural associations, free time associations, social Institutions, Clubs and associations,
 establishments and representative of public institutions

POSSIBLE OBSTACLES

- o Instructors need more time and are not to motivate to travel into the outlying regions to share their knowledge
- The senior people fear the new technologies.
- o Finding Sponsors for the Lifelong Learning Festival

ILLUSTRATION





