

Practical information on the international course 'Meta Learning and Thinking Skills' KA1 Erasmusplus Course



Sunday 13 May – Friday 18 May 2018 (residential seminar)
Malta

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Dear participant,

You are welcome to our course '**Meta Learning and Thinking Skills**' that will take place in **Malta**.

This course is organized by the Mikiel Anton Vassalli (MAV) College in cooperation with Eekhout Academy.



Venue

The course will take place in **Hotel Kennedy Nova**.

Address:

116, The Strand, Sliema Creek

Gzira, Malta

WWW.KENNEDYNOVA.COM





How to get there?

Hotel Kennedy Nova provides a shuttle service from Malta International Airport to the hotel (25 euros per person, one way). You can contact the reception desk of the hotel at reservations@kennedynova.com and ask them to book the airport transfer for you. Please consider that these costs are not included in the course fee.

Of course, you can also take a taxi at the airport.

When does the course start?

The introduction will start on **Sunday afternoon 13 May 2018 at 2.00 p.m.** We will meet at the reception desk of the hotel. The course will be announced on the announcement boards.

After the welcome session, we will enjoy the welcome dinner all together.

Day by day planning:

The programme can still change slightly.

Sunday 13 May 2018	
14.00 – 18.30	Welcome, meet and greet Urgency for thinking about thinking Glossary for thinking about thinking: cartoons to discuss Networks for learning (setting up co-creative teaching teams – aim: design of info-graphic poster)
20.00 – 20.00	Welcome dinner
Monday 14 May 2018	
9.00 – 12.30	Thinking about learning Frameworks for thinking and Blooms taxonomy refreshed Myths vs research about how the brain works
12.30 – 13.30	Lunch in hotel
14.00 – 17.30	Thinking skills and creative thinking
Tuesday 15 May 2018	
9.00 – 12.30	The Higher Order Thinking classroom: introduction The thinking classroom and self-steering for pupils
12.30 – 13.30	Lunch in hotel
14.00 – 15.30	HOT classroom: teaching for thinking: 4 frameworks for teaching (critical thinking, productive thinking, creative thinking, philosophical thinking) Lesson preparation for teaching activity
16.00 – 17.30	Preparation of info graphic
Wednesday 16 May 2018	
08.30 – 10.30	Formative assessment & feedback for self-regulating learning for students (Dilts) Questions and chunking
11.00 – 12.30	Creative thinking can be learned: introduction
12.30 – 13.30	Lunch in hotel
14.00 – 18.00	Free afternoon

Thursday 17 May 2018	
9.00 – 11.30	Building up practice in teaching Thinking Skills: participants teach for participants. And 7 recommendations for HOT classrooms.
12.00 – 14.00	Lunch and visit to university The creativity tool (presentation)
15.00 – 17.00	Creative thinking in classrooms Case study by local teacher Tools to use in classrooms
19.30	Farewell dinner
Friday 18 May 2018	
09.00 – 12.00	Presentation of info graphic posters: poster exhibition Action plan for implementation in classroom Change and engagement Red Monkey E twinning Wrapping up, evaluation

Europass document:

Please read the information about the Europass document carefully.

At the end of the course, your Europass document will be signed by the course director. The Europass document is very important because it is part of your end report. You need a valid Europass document in order to receive the remaining part of your funding.

1. What is Europass Mobility?

The Europass Mobility is a personal document, which is used to record an organised period of time (a mobility experience) that a person spends in another European country for the purpose of learning or training. [Click here](#) for some examples.

The Europass Mobility is intended for any person undergoing a mobility experience in a European country, whatever their age or level of education. Europass Mobility might be helpful to you if you are undertaking any of the following: a work placement in a company abroad, a student undertaking a term abroad as part of a higher education programme, a worker undertaking a voluntary placement in an NGO, someone taking an international course.

The Europass Mobility document contains information regarding the individual, the purpose and duration of the mobility experience, the training and skills acquired abroad etc.

2. Who?

The Europass Mobility is monitored by two partner organisations, one in the country of origin (your school or organisation) and the other in the host country (we, being the course provider).

In every participating country on Erasmusplus a National Europass Centre coordinates all activities related to the Europass documents. It is the first point of contact for any person or organisation interested in using or learning more about Europass. Click here for an [overview of all national Europass centres](#).

3. How?

It means that your school has to contact your national Europass Centre and activate a school account. Then the school creates the Europass document for each course participant.

We provide you with the needed information that you have to fill in.

You add this information into the corresponding fields, print the document and bring it to the course. At the end of the course this document will be signed by the course director.

List of participants

Nr.	First name	Last name	Country	Package
1	Joke	Bekaert	Belgium	Full package
2	Ineke	De Nauw	Belgium	Full package
3	Els	Dekocker	Belgium	Full package
4	Saartje	Deleu	Belgium	Full package
5	Marleen	Deprez	Belgium	Full package
6	Els	Desmet	Belgium	Full package
7	Darline	Dewaele	Belgium	Full package
8	Chris	Dhaene	Belgium	Full package
9	Katrien	D'Hoker	Belgium	Full package
10	Stijn	Eeckhout	Belgium	Full package
11	An	Eeman	Belgium	Full package
12	Daniel	Fonteyne	Belgium	Full package
13	Virginie	Lauwers	Belgium	Full package
14	Lieve	Mispelaere	Belgium	Full package
15	Piet	Pauwels	Belgium	Full package
16	Valerie	Provost	Belgium	Full package
17	Reili	Reintal	Estonia	Course package
18	Elke	Staelens	Belgium	Full package
19	Tine	Temmerman	Belgium	Full package
20	Dominique	Vancraeynest	Belgium	Full package
21	Liselot	Vandamme	Belgium	Full package
22	Nele	Vervaeke	Belgium	Full package
23	Liesbeth	Vervaele	Belgium	Full package
24	Veerle	Veys	Belgium	Full package
25	Olivier	Vlieghe	Belgium	Full package

Canvas Instructure:

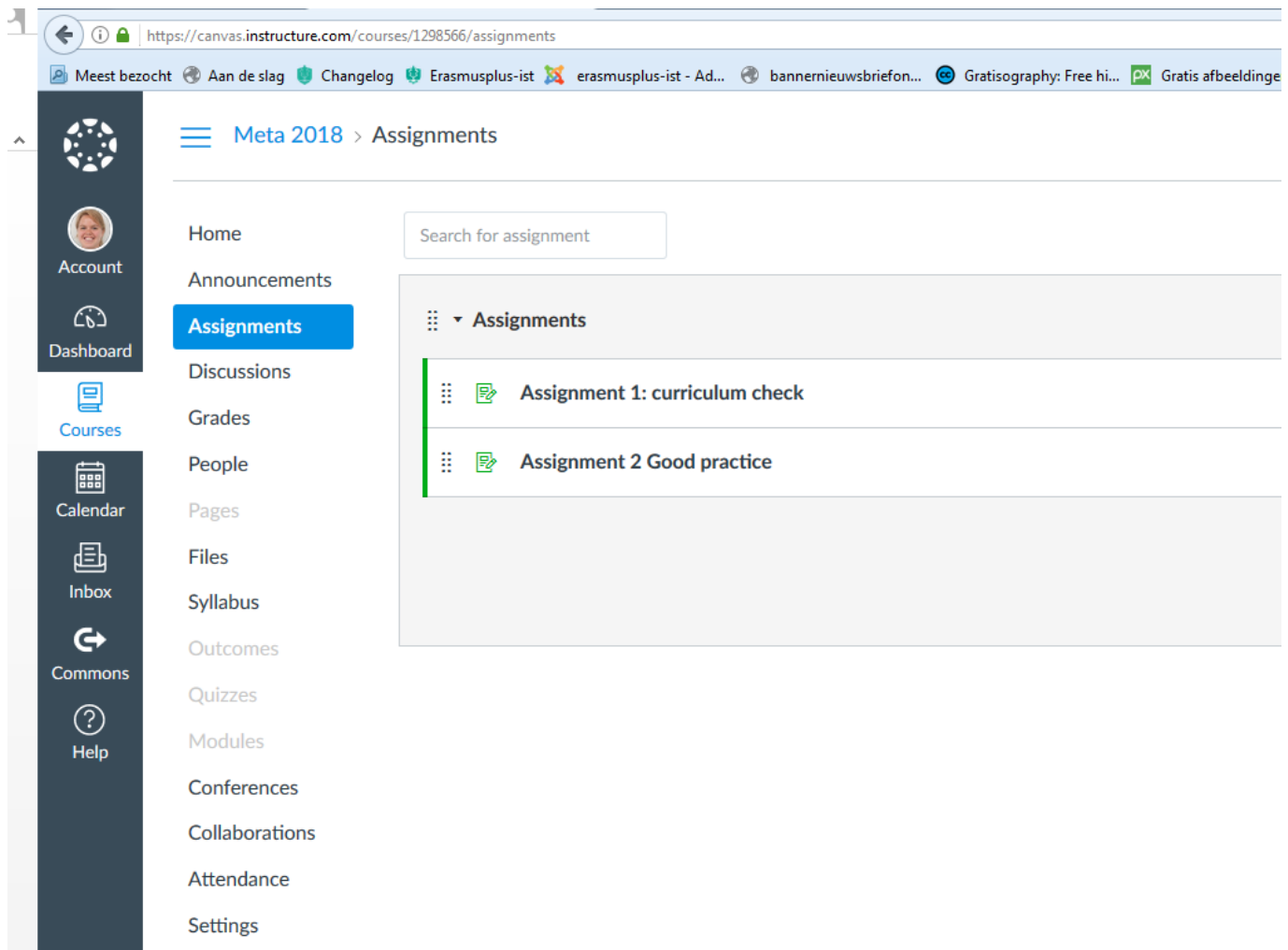
During the course, we will work with Canvas Instructure. This is a free digital learning environment. Canvas offers plenty of possibilities: you can make tasks, get personal feedback, make conference calls, chat with the other participants/course directors. We have sent you an e-mail/course invitation from Canvas. May we ask you to accept the invitation and make a Canvas account before the course starts?

Pre task:

In preparation of the course there are 2 small pre tasks.

You will find the pre tasks in Canvas Instructure under the section 'Assignments'.

Many thanks!



The screenshot shows a web browser window with the URL <https://canvas.instructure.com/courses/1298566/assignments>. The browser's address bar and tabs are visible at the top. The main content area displays the 'Assignments' page for the course 'Meta 2018'. On the left, there is a dark sidebar with navigation icons for Account, Dashboard, Courses, Calendar, Inbox, Commons, and Help. The main navigation menu includes Home, Announcements, Assignments (highlighted in blue), Discussions, Grades, People, Pages, Files, Syllabus, Outcomes, Quizzes, Modules, Conferences, Collaborations, Attendance, and Settings. A search bar labeled 'Search for assignment' is located at the top of the main content area. Below the search bar, a dropdown menu titled 'Assignments' is expanded, showing two items: 'Assignment 1: curriculum check' and 'Assignment 2 Good practice', each with a green document icon and a vertical green bar to its left.

Practicalities

- Laptop/tablet/smartphone is not needed, but can be useful for own interest.
- The atmosphere is as informal as the dress code is: no suits and ties needed.
- The course will take place in Hotel Kennedy Nova. On Thursday we organize a visit to the university.
- Do not forget to bring your Europass document to the course.
- For schools/persons who want to cooperate in the future, it is nice to bring along some information, leaflets, contact information of your school to distribute during the course.

What is included in the course fee?

Almost everyone has chosen the full package:

Full package (Participant uses all hotel accommodation offered by the course organizer)

- The tuition fee covers: course material, use of the conference room, use of ICT in the conference room and the costs of the trainers.
- The accommodation cost covers: the hotel rooms during the course period, the breakfasts during the course days, the coffee breaks, the refreshments during the course, the midday lunches during the course days (except last half course day), costs and fees of study visits and transport for course activities planned by the organizers.
- This also includes the welcome supper and the farewell supper.

One participant has chosen the course package:

Course package (Participant doesn't sleep or lunch in hotel and books another hotel on own behalf and takes care him/herself of the lunches)

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- The accommodation cost covers: the coffee breaks and the refreshments during the course, costs and fees of study visits and the transport for course activities planned by the organizers.
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We look forward to meeting you in Malta!

Don't hesitate to contact us if you have any further questions.

Kind regards

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