



L2paths

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Learning the local language is crucial for people moving to a foreign country. However, in many cases an overwhelming amount of learning options, ill-adapted or overpriced courses, and poor ICT skills often stand in the way of migrants finding a course that is adapted to their needs. For this reason, migrants need constant guidance to find suitable learning options and to support their learning process.

For this reason, partners from Germany, Ireland, Italy, Latvia and Sweden work together on the EU-funded project „L2 Paths“- Pathways to Host Country Languages for Migrants” which aims to:

- create a standardized format for language advice
- create an online tool called Pathfinder for matching a person's needs with the learning options available
- train language advisors in all partner countries

The Pathfinder-System

The Pathfinder-System enables learners to look online for suitable learning options. At www.language-pathfinder.eu learners can register easily and free of charge. All they need is an e-mail address. Once they have registered, they can complete the assessment indicating their personal background, language level, learning goals and their requirements in terms of price, time and budget. The learner will then be presented with different learning options such as language courses, books, games, apps, radio and TV programs, magazines, blogs, CDs, DVDs, etc. to create his personal learning plan and to make learning efficient and motivating.

In addition, learners can also rate materials and language courses and keep a learning diary. Thus, learners can monitor and reflect on their learning progress at any time.

The Pathfinder Competition

If you are a learner or just passionate about languages, prove your language skills and win an iPad mini or one of 10 PONS German – English dictionaries.

All you have to do is answer three questions. We invite the winners to visit us at the Expolingua to meet the Pathfinder-team and pick up their prizes. We look forward to meeting you and wish all participants the best of luck!

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L2PATHS at the Expolingua in Berlin

It is time again for the annual Expolingua in Berlin. This year, the Expolingua will be held from 20/11/ – 21/11/ at Russisches Haus der Wissenschaft und Kultur (Friedrichstrasse 176 – 179 , 10117 Berlin)! If you are interested in improving your language skills or if you are thinking of becoming a language advisor, come visit us at our stand between 10a.m. and 6p.m and try the [Pathfinder-System](#).

Training courses for language advisors in all partner countries

Between April and Juli, all project partners organized workshops for future language advisors. In total more than 40 people from all kinds of professional backgrounds took part in the workshops. The workshops were tailored to the needs of the participants in each country and included topics such as the student-centered approach, assessing the language level and learning goals of the student, setting S.M.A.R.T goals and dealing with learning barriers and conflicts.



What's next for L2PATHS?

Setting up language advice centers: Those who prefer a more personal approach can meet their language advisor at one of the newly opened advice centers. If you are looking for the nearest advice centre in one of the partner countries, please consult the Pathfinder-System at www.language-pathfinder.eu.

Meetings: The fifth partner meeting took place from 22nd – 23rd September 2015 in Riga (Latvia). The partners discussed the work done in the last months, shared their experiences from the language advisor workshops and agreed on the guidelines for the creation of the language advice centres. The final meeting will take place on 8 March 2016 in Berlin (Germany).

Workshop und Presentation of the project results: On 9 March 2016 we will be presenting our project outcomes during a workshop. Make sure you do not miss your chance to try out the Pathfinder-System, take part in a trial workshop for language advisors and meet the project partners and some of our language advisors.

If you have questions about or if you are interested in taking part in the workshop, please contact us at: info@l2paths.eu.

For further information please visit www.l2paths.eu

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