TANDEM

TASK-BASED LANGUAGE TEACHING AND COLLABORATIVE LEARNING FOR UPSILLING LOW-QUALIFIED MIGRANTS

Low skills and qualifications are closely related to social and economic exclusion. OECD's Survey of Adult Skills (PIAAC) has shed light on 20% of adults in Europe who lack key competences. Moreover, part of the population of migrants, which has been increasing since 2015 keeps growing, are low-skilled or their qualifications are not being recognized in the new country.

The situation is more difficult considering unemployment have higher rates in migrants than locals and this gap only increases when being low-skilled.

This is how TANDEM - Task-based language teaching and collaborative learning for upskilling low-qualified migrants - was born out of the need to provide them and also native population with opportunities to improve their key competences through non-formal learning methodologies, in order to boost their employability and participation in society.

TANDEM allows migrants to capitalize on their linguistic abilities through an innovative learning opportunity based on non-formal methodologies, and promoting cultural exchange and peer-learning between low-skilled migrant and local adults.

Activities

Interactive Map on Language Communities and Skills

Linguistic diversity and key competences of 150 low-skilled migrants and 150 low-skilled locals will be analyzed and mapped combined in an interactive map.

Open Textbook on Task-Based Language Teaching

After focus groups with teachers and stakeholders from the field of language teaching on Task-Based Language teaching (TBLT), will be collected insights on TBLT for the preparation of the open textbook from language experts, based on real teaching scenarios and experience.

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MOOC on Task-Based Language Teaching

Design and development of 5 learning modules of a MOOC on TBLT for migrants who want to teach their own language. It will be piloted in blended learning with 15 migrants, and will finished with a MOOC class delivered by those migrants to 15 locals as final pilot session.

Hand out on TANDEM language exchanges

Hand-out for cultural and languages exchanges arrangement of 4 cafés workshops will be a fundamental step in order to build not only language exchange, also an intercultural dialogue building bridges between the two target groups and ensure the sustainability of the project. In this step, participants will be supported by facilitators and by the hand-out which will contain information and materials to ensure a successful experience for the participants to the language exchanges.

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