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G&GUP WORK IN PROGRESS

G&G UPdate is a transnational Transfer of Innovation project (ToI) co-funded by the European Commission within the Lifelong Learning Programme (LLP) –Leonardo da Vinci sub-programme (2011-2013). The intervention works within the area of the active ageing, by fostering the elderly people digital citizenship and the intergenerational dialogue. During the last months of the first project year were realized training workshops to teachers, handbooks and advanced units available on the Web site.



Moiselle
Le Blanc



COMUNE DI MORGONGIORI



Task Force Training in Latvia

Task Force Training in Latvia training took place on 16/11/2012 in Microsoft Latvia office (Address: Zala iela 1, Riga). 14 teachers from 15 Latvian G&G schools (one teacher represented two schools) were present on this training session, which was led by Ralph Schneider (ZAWiW) and Aina Špaca (VISC). Two representatives from VISC In-Service Teacher Training and Projects Unit - Livija Zeiberte and Marta Spruge participated in this training as observers.



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The first part of training was devoted to informing about G&G idea, project and to raise awareness and sensitize the audience about intergenerational communication and learning, seniors' ICT needs and possibilities of using ICT skills in everyday life situations. The second part referred to G&G methodological and didactical tools - introduction of webpage and manuals and to planning of G&G trainings in schools.



Tutors training laboratory (Lazio and Sardegna)

Tutors training laboratory in Lazio (Bassano Romano)

On Monday, November 26 and Monday, December 3, the first laboratory for training of tutors was held in the region Lazio. The training workshop was held at the State School "Luigi Pellegrini" in Bassano Romano. The project staff was composed by Vincenzo Leone and Maurizio Semplice (CERIS) and 8 teachers were present on this training session. The participants showed interest in the event itself and in the project's idea as the small working groups session showed (the participants were asked what are in their opinion the very positive aspects of the initiative, the possible obstacles, target groups availability, etc).



Tutors training laboratory in Sardegna (Morgongiori - Oristano)

On 19th December, the second laboratory for training of tutors was held in Morgongiori (Monte Arci Park). Have been illustrated all project steps, the actors, the method of transfer and the structure of tutor's handbook. In particular, we analyzed the project website, in particular the sections concerning units and gym exercises. The participants held a on-line training session consulting the gym and related materials. Finally the filled on line evaluation questionnaire. The second laboratory was attended by 9 participants, including teachers and representatives of different local organizations. The project staff was composed by Vincenzo Leone and Maurizio Semplice (CERIS).



TRAINING HANDBOOKS

The core "teaching" of the project is represented by the manuals to support teaching, specially on three key figures of the training process planned (Tutors, Grandchildren and Grandparents).

TUTOR Handbook

The handbook is the reference manual that is used to train tutors: in particular, it explains the activities related to the preparation, carrying out and evaluation of the G&G seminars. It is articulated in 4 sections.

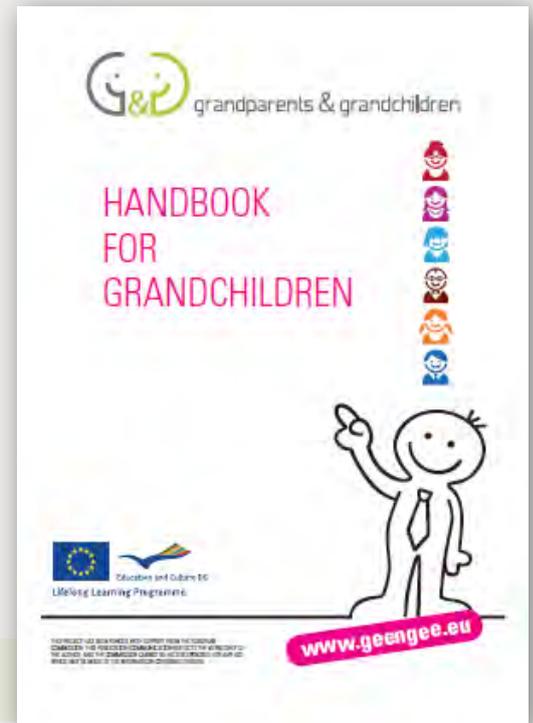
The first introduces the publication within the context of the G&G experience. The second is about the methodological approach and the role of the tutors. The third describes the operational stages carried out by G&G, from the sensitisation stage to the end (and beyond). The last part encompasses an example of training unit, the permission from attendants' relatives and the class register.



GRANDCHILDREN Handbook

The manual is dedicated to the grandchildren and it aims to support the grandparents training. It provides suggestions and some methodological notes that represent a tool to help grandchildren in their one to one training for grandparents.

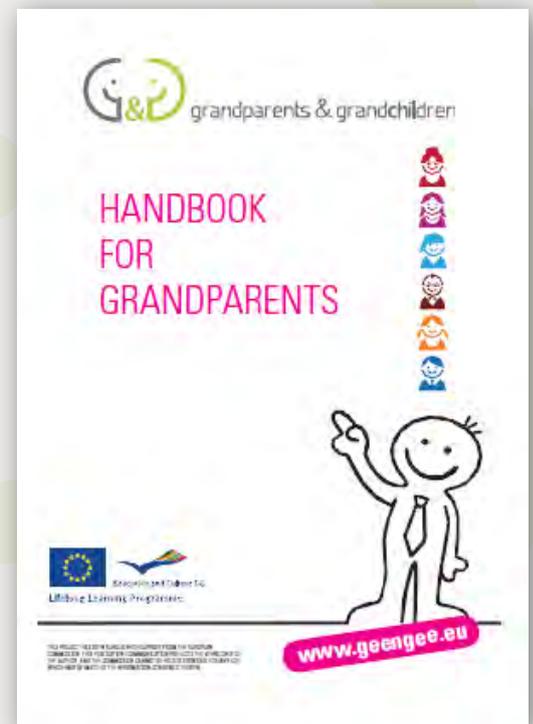
As a general rule, grandchildren have to take into account that the inevitable technical terms, often in English, will need to be explained in simple terms and repeated several times, to become part of a beginner's vocabulary. The program starts with the switching on/off of the computer and goes through the use of e-mail, using social networking (Facebook) and communication through internet (Skype) and writing program (Open Office writer).



GRANDPARENTS Handbook

The main issues of the manual are the use of computers and Internet. Addition there is also an historical approach to the issues within the manual, for example the birth and the main aims of internet. Following the Guide includes the topics discussed within grandchildren handbook, but, in this case, the Grandparents handbook represents a key support and guidance to learning for the elderly.

The topics covered include the switching on/off of the computer, using the browser and search through internet, e-mail, using social networking (Facebook) and communication through internet (Skype) and writing program (Open Office writer).



ADVANCED UNITS (SOCIAL NETWORK AND OPEN OFFICE WRITER)

Social Networking (Skype and facebook)

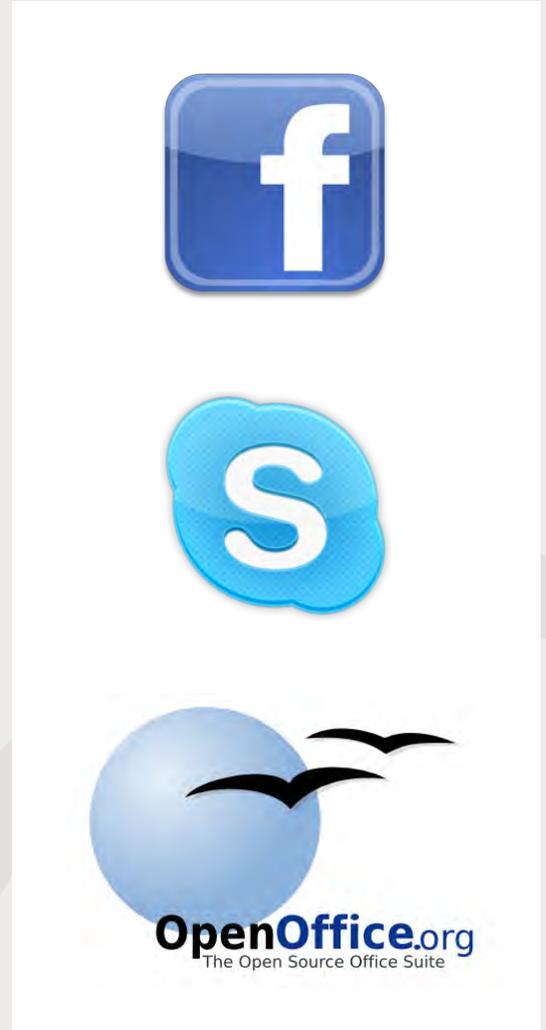
The target of the training unit "Social Networking" is to provide advanced "grandparents" the autonomous ability to succeed in the following tasks:

- To use "Skype" basically and easily as a tool of free of charge and worldwide telephone and video calls over the Internet
- To get basic knowledge about the social network "Facebook", about the registration and first steps of the network's use but as well a critical view on it

Writing programs (Open Office writer)

The purpose of the formative unit is to let the "grandparents" execute by themselves, with the help of the grandchildren, the following applications:

- Opening, saving and archiving an "Open office writer" text file
- Knowing and being able to operate in a writer window
- Writing, modifying, formatting a text file
- Correcting and printing a text file. Importing a text file from the web



Dissemination conference (Palermo – 5th October 2012)

The Monitoring Thematic Seminar "Tutoring, mentoring and coaching in transnational mobility experience of learning and exchange between generations" and the evaluation Conference "Life Stages and new learning environments: lifelong learning to support active aging and intergenerational solidarity" were organised on 5th October in Palermo.

The two events were an opportunity to present the G&G project as a good practice to address the issues discussed. The participants were interested in the G&G experience. During the conference was also organized an informative stand that has provided freebies and explained the whole set of G&G dissemination materials: sweaters, t-shirts, bookmarks, stickers, usb pen drive, box for objects, pens, lanyards, backpacks and folders.