

TEMPUS IRIS PROJECT

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HAPPY HANUKKA

Hanukkah (/ˈhɑːnəkə/ hah-nə-kə; Hebrew: חַנּוּכָּה, Tiberian: Ḥănukkāh, usually spelled חנוכה, pronounced /χanuˈka/ in Modern Hebrew; a transliteration also romanized as Chanukah, Chanukkah or [Chanuˈkah]), also known as the Festival of Lights and Feast of Dedication, is an eight-day Jewish holiday commemorating the rededication of the Holy Temple (the Second Temple) in Jerusalem at the time of the Maccabean Revolt against the Seleucid Empire of the 2nd century BCE [from Wikipedia].



INTRODUCTION

Dear Tempus IRIS partners,

The IRIS Project is in the process of transferring the coordination from HIT to ORT Braude College. The Tempus IRIS project Officer at the European Commission Education, Audiovisual and Culture Executive Agency (EACEA) had received all the letters of acceptance from the partners, as well as the letter from HIT informing them of their will to withdraw from the project and the letter from ORT Braude confirming that they are willing to take the coordination of the IRIS project and confirmed that we can go ahead with the process. We are waiting to receive the updated documents from all the partners to complete the process. On the operative channel, we started WP3 and we are planning to start WP4 soon. The details of what had been performed and the expected workshops are presented in the next pages of this newsletter.

I wish all of us successful and fruitful workshops.

Dr. Vered Holzmänn, veredhz@post.tau.ac.il

Presidents Meeting: Internationalization Strategic Planning

The Colleges' Presidents are invited to participate in a special meeting scheduled for December 5th, 2013 at 10:00 am, in ORT Hermelin College.

The meeting will include a review of the first year of the project, presentation of the plan for the second year, and a discussion about internationalization strategies. Every President can come to this meeting with the leader of the IRIS project in the college who is familiar with the project's activities.

“However beautiful the strategy, you should occasionally look at the results”, Winston Churchill.

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ORT Hermelin Academic College of Engineering and Technology, Netanya, Israel.

ORT Hermelin College was established for the purpose of developing a unique academic center for engineering and technology that focuses on training engineers with original thinking who will contribute to Israeli industry and society in the future.

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Next Event: Internationalization Strategic Planning – Feedback Sessions, 04-05 December 2013, ORT Hermelin College

By Ms. Gudrun Paulsdottir & Ms. Dora Longoni, EAIE.

PREPARATION

The feedback sessions are intended to help the colleges to move forward in the drafting of a strategic plan for internationalization. In order to optimize the process the colleges should prepare questions that have risen through their work so far and also questions for the remaining process if relevant.

Please send your questions and a second draft of the strategic plan to Ms. Dora Longoni and Ms. Gudrun Paulsdottir (dora.longoni@polimi.it; gudrun.paulsdottir@mdh.se; veredhz@post.tau.ac.il) no later than November 30th.

The draft does not have to be in any specific format, the important thing is that it shows the thoughts and intent of the college.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 04, 2013

09:30 am to 10:45 am	Shenkar College of Engineering and Design Session
10:45 am to 11:00 am	Break
11:00 am to 12:15 pm	ORT Braude College of Engineering Session
12:15 pm to 13:15 pm	Lunch Break
13:15 pm to 14:30 pm	Beit Berl College Session
14:30 pm to 14:45 pm	Break
14:45 pm to 16:00 pm	Al-Qasemi Academic College of Education Session
16:00 pm to 16:15 pm	Break
16:15 pm to 17:30 pm	ORT Hermelin College Session

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 05, 2013

10:00 am to 12:00 pm	Presidents Meeting
12:00 pm to 13:00 pm	Lunch Break
13:00 pm to 14:15 pm	The Max Stern Academic College of Emek Yezreel Session
14:15 pm to 14:30 pm	Break
14:30 pm to 15:45 pm	Kaye Academic College of Education Session
15:45 pm to 16:30 pm	Break
16:30 pm to 17:45 pm	Sapir Academic Collage Session

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Summary: Workshop on Internationalization of the Curriculum:

By Dr. Sheila Trahar, University of Bristol, UK.

The workshop on internationalization of the curriculum took place at Kaye Academic College of Education in Beer-Sheeva on November 18-20. Prof. Lea Kozminsky, the President of Kaye Academic College of Education welcomed the participants with a review of the history of the college and its development through the years.



Dr. Sheila Trahar at Kaye Academic College of Education, Israel

Dr. Sheila Trahar started the workshop by asking the participants to share their expectations and experiences in internationalization in the campus. Then, theoretical and policies of internationalization of the curriculum were introduced and explained.

The workshop attendees participated in several activities of interactions, including group discussions and case studies analyses. The complexities involved in intercultural communication were debated while concerning multi-cultural attitudes by foreign students but also by Israeli students from different backgrounds. The workshop participants described personal experiences related to this subject. Various aspects and practices of teaching in international environment were presented.



Internationalization of the Curriculum Workshop, Kaye Academic College of Education, Israel



Dr. Sheila Trahar, the leader of WP3 -

Development and delivery of campus internationalization programs for faculty, administrators and students has written a publication to complement the series of WP3 workshops. Every participant received a copy of the publication. In addition, each college will receive additional copies of the publication, which will be later translated into Hebrew and Arabic as well. A representative from each other participating institution will receive a copy of the publication (in English) by mail.

The workshop was concluded with a discussion concerning the plan for next workshop, which will take place in Beit-Berl College on January 28-30. Every college was asked to prepare a case study or several case studies related to internationalization of the curriculum. In addition, expected possible deliverables of WP3 for each college were presented: (1) revised course or program that includes elements of internationalization of the curriculum; (2) new course or program that is designed with these concepts in mind; (3) a plan (scheduled for May 2014) to be implemented next year or by the end of the project, in each college.

The presentations and the additional materials from the 1st workshop on internationalization of the curriculum are available on the Tempus IRIS website:

http://www.hit.ac.il/sites/en/iris/assets/WP3_%E2%80%93_Internationalization_of_the_Curriculum

We would like to thank Dr. Sheila Trahar for the valuable workshop, Prof. Lea Kozminsky, the President of Kaye Academic College of Education, Dr. Riva Levenchuk, the project manager, Dr. Olzan Goldstein and Dr. Bobbie Turniansky, the Tempus IRIS team leaders, and all the team in Kaye College for the warm hospitality and the excellent organization which made this workshop enjoyable and successful.

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PROJECT CALENDAR: NEXT EVENTS

28-30 January 2014: Beit Berl College, Kfar Saba, Israel.

By Dr. Sheila Trahar, University of Bristol, UK.

2nd Internationalization of the curriculum workshop.

The workshop schedule is not finalized, yet. However, the first day, 28/01/2014, will be dedicated to consultation with the colleges' leaders. The meetings will take place in Beit-Berl College. Please contact Dr. Sheila Trahar (S.Trahar@bristol.ac.uk), Dr. Amira Meir (amirameir@gmail.com) and Dr. Vered Holzmann (veredhz@post.tau.ac.il) to schedule a meeting.

The framework schedule for next two days, 29-30/01/2014, of the workshop is between 10:00 and 16:30.

In order to host the workshop effectively, a representative from each college is requested to notify Dr. Amira Meir (amirameir@gmail.com) and Dr. Vered Holzmann (veredhz@post.tau.ac.il) how many participants from the college are expected to attend the workshop. Please **update us no later than December 10th, 2014.**

NEWS

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The partners received their previous Partnership Agreement and Mandate for re-signing. This act was performed without changing the original status of every individual institution partner, and without altering the agreed relationship set by the original agreement.

SHARE WITH US . . .

I would like to ask (again) all the project's partners to use this stage as an open platform to share knowledge.

Please send your short articles, summaries, photos, or other materials related to the Tempus IRIS project for the benefit of all of us.

Israeli colleges are encouraged to share their thoughts, doubts, questions and other open issues related to internationalization in colleges to consult our partners. Internationalization experts are encouraged to share knowledge, experiences, and insights.

Please send your materials:

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