

# Achievements

## Introduction

- We ran a survey into the training needs of staff in Bulgaria, Hungary, Luxembourg and Hungary. In Hungary people with disabilities living in institutions described their lives &ndash; the good and the bad.
- There were similarities in what staff found difficult in all countries, but differences in the degree of these difficulties.
- We chose Communication and Values as the overarching theme of all the training courses
- We defined what we mean by &lsquo;values&rsquo; and &lsquo;values-based training&rsquo;
- We have an overview of existing training courses in this field
- We have defined Accelerated Learning for this project
  
- We have tested this new training approach in the Netherlands, Bulgaria, Luxembourg and Hungary.
- We are fine-tuning the courses so that they meet local needs and can be practically applied by the staff and their trainers
- We are working on the accreditation of these courses so that they can be officially recognised and run again
- Each training course is evaluated and modified accordingly
- We are collaborating with other European projects in the disability field to see how we can complement each others' work
- Our closing conference in Budapest (mid-September 2007) will show the results of the project.

**Survey in the Netherlands, Bulgaria, Luxembourg and Hungary**We ran a survey into the training needs of staff in Bulgaria, Luxembourg, Hungary and The Netherlands. You may download them from the menu Downloads.

**Testing the new training approach in the Netherlands, Bulgaria, Luxembourg and Hungary**We have tested the training modules in 4 countries, in September (Rotterdam, Netherlands) and December (Varna, Bulgaria) 2006 and in May 2007 (Budapest, Hungary and Luxembourg).

**Accreditation**The course will be accredited in Luxembourg (Ufocors) along with others run by the Unit  de Formation d&rsquo;Education Permanente (UFEP). Our Hungarian partner from Hand in Hand expects that the course will be accredited in Hungary at the next deadline, which is 15th November 2007.

Our Bulgarian partner has been in touch with the University of Sofia about the project. She hopes that the Contiempo course will be one among many to be run by Karin Dom and accredited.

We are also in contact with CEDEFOP (European Centre for the Development of Vocational Training) regarding the setting up of the ECVET system (European Credit for Vocational Education and Training). For further information on this, please refer to the menu Links.

**Dissemination Conference in Budapest (September 2007)**We will be holding our final Dissemination Conference in Budapest. Our Hungarian partner will be hosting the event on 14th and 15th September in the Hotel Stadion. There will

be simultaneous interpretation into English, Hungarian and Bulgarian.

The conference theme will be &ldquo;Values in Action: A new way of learning for frontline staff&rdquo;.

The Contiempo training modules are based on Accelerated Learning, which is an innovative approach to learning. Many people think of Accelerated Learning as any activity that speeds up the learning process. Accelerated Learning methodology is much more than that. Accelerated Learning is a systematic approach to teaching the whole person, containing specific elements that empower students to learn faster, more effectively and joyfully. You will experience this new learning method at our Conference in Budapest, through workshops and presentations.

We will also present you the project outcomes, as well as other Leonardo projects, European matters and new ways in vocational training.

You may download the Conference Programme and Registration Form from the menu Downloads.