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Motivating & Teaching Diverse Study Groups – Sharing Teaching Experience

Hands-on Experience: 1 July 11:50 - 13:00

Brussels-Brandenburg: Explore your Culture. An international Project with First-Year Students in Language Classes

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POSTER PRESENTATION

During the module “Business English/Intercultural Project” student teams from Odisee-Universiteit Brussel and Brandenburg University of Applied Sciences have been working together for years, using video conferencing, e-mail, SKYPE, Facebook or WhatsApp to organize their project work. Within 5 thematic teams, students reflect upon culture and discuss aspects of identity, often touching topics of business and politics. English is used as a lingua franca. After several months of virtual cooperation, students finally meet in Brussels (sometimes Brandenburg). For the first time working face-to-face, they finalize their projects by applying an intercultural concept and present the results – which is definitely one of the project highlights.