

Timetable RELANG Workshop Nicosia, 26-28 June

26 June 2013

09.00 to 9.45

Presentation of the new RELANG project & workshop programme Validity and reliability issues: a reminder

09.45 to 10.00

The proposed new exam format (See "Training and consultancy on constructing and validating language tests linked to the CEFL, 2nd round 2013").

10.00 to 10.30

Presentation on testing writing

Tasks :

- Analyse the writing section in the May 2013 exam: can you propose changes for Improvement?
- Propose a marking scheme

Support materials: draft exams developed by Cyprian colleagues.

10.30 to 11.00: Break

11.00 to 12:00

Continuation of group work on the writing tasks.

12.00 to 13.00: Lunch

13.00 to 13.45

Decisions on sample tasks and rating scales

13.45 to 14.30 (group work)

Construction of sample performances on selected tasks: one performance below pass level, one on pass-level and one well above pass-level

14.30 to 15.00: Break

15.00 to 16:00

Benchmarking writing samples

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09.00 to 09.30

Presentation on testing reading

Task:

Analyse the reading section in the May 2013 exam: can you propose changes for improvement?

Support materials: SurveyLang guidelines & draft exams developed by Cyprian colleagues.

10.30 to 11.00: Break

11.00 to 12:00

Continuation of group work on the reading tasks.

12.00 to 13.00: Lunch

13.00 to 13.30 (group work)

Task I: Produce a document about the reading section tasks (outlining number of tasks, length of texts, type of items etc.)

13.30 to 14.00

Feedback from the groups on Task I

14.00 to 14.30 (group work)

Task II: Produce a document about the section "Language in Use"

14.30 to 15.00: Break

15.00 to 15.30 Feedback on Tasks II.

15.30 to 16.00

Task III: Outline a document on listening

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09.00 to 09.15

Presentation of the aim: Develop a matrix which can be used and useful by the different stakeholders of the exam.

09.15 to 10.00 (group work)

Task: Produce a document presenting the exam: general information and language specifications (level, domain, topics, unsuitable topics, texts)

10.00 to 10.30

Completing Forms A1 – A9

10.30 to 11.00: Break

11.00 to 11.30 (group work)

Complete forms A10 – A14

11.30 to 12.00

Feedback from the groups on the work

12.00 to 13.00: Lunch

13.00 to 13.45

Task: Complete the forms A15-A24

13.45 to 14.30:

Feedback from the groups on the work.

14.30 to 15.00: Break

15.00 to 16.00

Conclusion on the work that has been done: matrix document that can be used by all the stakeholders.