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Learning Together – Changing with Purpose

PLCs as Drivers of School- and Teaching Development

Outcomes of the Erasmus+ Project LeaFaP

Final Conference

University of Education Vorarlberg

Feldkirch, Austria

April 27th – 28th, 2026



Monday, April 27th 2026

02:50 – 03:25 PM **Opening/Welcome** **HS A**

03:30 – 04:30 PM **Keynote 1** **HS A**

Fred Huijboom and Pierre van Meeuwen (*Former Headteachers, Netherlands*)

Language:

Why Start a Professional Learning Community (PLC): The Why, What and How of a PLC!

English

(*Warum eine PLG gründen: das Warum, das Was und das Wie einer PLG!*)

04:30 – 05:00 **Break**

05:00 – 06:00 PM **Workshops/Presentations**

Session 1 **Sabine Welther** (*University of Education Weingarten*) **SR 172**

Language: German **PLGs als Mittel zur Zusammenarbeit zwischen Kitas und Grundschulen**
(*PLCs as Means for Collaboration of Pre-School and Primary School*)

Session 2 **Karl Peböck and Thomas Schroffenegger** (*University of Education Vorarlberg*) **HS A**

Language: German **KI am PLG-Tisch – vom digitalen Organisationshelfer zum denkenden Dialogpartner**
(*AI at the PLC Table – From Organizational Support to Dialogical Partner*)

Session 3 **Kim Herulf Unstad** (*Tenk Lofoten, Norway*) **SR 173**

Language: English **The Principal as Leader of Professional Learning Communities: An Activity-Theoretical Perspective**
(*Die Schulleitung als Führungskraft Professioneller Lerngemeinschaften: Eine aktivitätstheoretische Perspektive*)

Session 4 **Sofia Avgitidou** (*Aristotle University of Thessaloniki*) **SR 175**

Language: Greek **Με ποιους τρόπους η έρευνα και ο αναστοχασμός μπορεί να συντελέσει στην λειτουργία του σχολείου ως κοινότητας μάθησης;**
(*In What Ways can Inquiry and Reflection Contribute to the Function of the School as a Learning Community?*)

Session 5 **Marta Álvarez Pérez** (*CEIP San Luis de Sabinillas*) **Online**

Language: Spanish **Práctica de éxito en el colegio San Luis de Sabinillas**
(*Successful practice at San Luis de Sabinillas School*)

06:00 – 07:00 PM **Apéro** **Foyer HS A**

Tuesday, April 28th 2026: Morning

09:00 – 09:10 AM Opening/Welcome HS A

09:10 – 09:45 PM Presentation HS A

Katja Kansteiner (*Project Lead, Free University of Bozen-Bolzano*)

Language:
German

Professionalisierung und Qualitätsentwicklung durch den Aufbau Professioneller Lerngemeinschaften - Beiträge der PLG-Entwicklung von HeadsUp bis LeaFaP (*Professionalization and Quality Development by Establishing Professional Learning Communities – Contributions from the PLC development, from HeadsUp to LeaFaP*)

09:50 – 10:50 AM Keynote 2 HS A

Andrea Kehrer (*University of Education Freiburg*)

Language:
German

Lesson Studies im Rahmen Professioneller Lerngemeinschaften – Unterricht multiprofessionell weiterentwickeln
(*Lesson Studies within the Framework of PLCs – Developing Teaching in a Multi-Professional Way*)

10:50 – 11:05 PM Break

11:05 – 12:05 PM Workshops/Presentations

Session 1 **Eva Frick, Katharine Rümmele and Peter Theurl** (*University of Education Vorarlberg*) HS A

Language: German **Studierenden-PLGs in den pädagogisch-praktischen Studien: Professionalisierung durch Aktionspläne**
(*Student-PLCs in Teacher Training: Professionalization through Action Plans*)

Session 2 **Rosa M. Arcos and Maria del Mar Gallego** (*CEP Marbella Coín/Málaga*) SR 172

Language: English **Dynamics and Activities that can be Developed within a PLC to Promote the Development of Relational and Collaborative Dimensions**
(*Dynamiken und Aktivitäten innerhalb einer PLG zur Förderung von Beziehungsgestaltung und Kooperation*)

Session 3 **Alberto Corpas and José Luis Carmona** (*CEP Málaga/Marbella Coín*) SR 173

Language: English **In-Service Training in Andalusia/Spain – Theoretical and Practical Aspects**
(*Lehrer:innenfortbildung in Andalusien/Spainien – theoretische und praktische Aspekte*)

12:05 – 01:15 PM Lunch Break

Tuesday, April 28th 2026: Afternoon

01:15 – 01:45 PM Presentation

HS A

Elvira Barrios (*University of Málaga*)

Language:
German

Building the Foundations for the Development of PLC Facilitators from a reflective and inquiry-based perspective: The Conceptual Framework and Learning Outcomes of the LeaFaP Project (*Das Fundament für die Weiterentwicklung von PLG-Leitungen legen: Der konzeptionelle Rahmen und die Lernergebnisse des LeaFaP-Projekts*)

01:50 – 02:35 PM Presentation

HS A

Modular Online Training

Language:
English

Anne Berit Emstad (*Norwegian University of Science and Technology*)

Introduction to the Modular Online Training

Elvira Barrios (*University of Málaga*)

Module 1:

Building Relationships, Collaboration, and Communication

Sofia Avgitidou (*Aristotle University of Thessaloniki*)

Module 2:

Facilitating Learning and Knowledge Building – Enhancing Reflection and inquiry

Katja Kansteiner (*Free University of Bozen-Bolzano*)

Module 3:

Karl Peböck and Thomas Schroffenegger (*University of Education Vorarlberg*)

Organizing for Collaboration – Both Face-To-Face and Online

02:35 – 02:55 PM Break

02:55 – 04:00 PM Round Table

HS A

The Role of Facilitation, Reflection and Inquiry in School- and Teaching Development

Language:
English

Moderation: Loucas Louca (*European University Cyprus*)

Participants (International Stakeholders):

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Estela Villalba Valdayo, Spanien (*General Director of Innovation and Teacher Training Regional Ministry of Educational Development and Vocational Training, Andalucía*)

Pavlina Hadjitheodoulou Loizidou, Cyprus (*Chief Education Officer, Cyprus Pedagogical Institute, Ministry of Education, Sport and Youth*)

Ioanna Chalvatzi, Greece (*Principal of the 132 Primary School in Athens. PhD candidate at the National and Kapodistrian University of Athens*)

Julia Platz, Germany (*ZSL Regional Office Mannheim, Consultant for Instructional Development*)

Peter Wilhelm, Germany (*ZSL Regional Office Mannheim, Consultant for School Development*)

04:00 – 05:00 PM Farewell and Apéro

Foyer HS A