NECE Focus Group CLEAR Workshop

13-14 June 2014
Berlin

CLEAR activities since The Hague

- **Tandem Lux/ NTNU (Oliver Kohns and Claudia Lenz)**
  The tandem consisted of only online work this year, and there was observed less engagement than last year (when there was both online and face to face work). However, since all Norwegian and most of the Luxembourgian students also took part in the History Campus, they could make a face-to-face experience with the CLEAR methodology.

- **History Campus (Lise Kvande)**
  Lise Kvande organized a 3-day workshop using the CLEAR methodology in the History Campus Europe 14/14 held in Berlin in May, in which 30 participants aged 19-26 from 16 countries participated (among them students from the NTNU-Uni Lux tandem). Very positive feedback from participants.

- **Colombia University (Felisa Tibbitts)**
  Three students from Felisa Tibbitt's course had chosen to work with CLEAR and focused on the concept of slavery. The work had been organized face-to-face and via e-mail exchange. They also had built on the previous work of Felisa's students at Harvard. Amazing feedback from the students.

- **Project with schools in Hamburg and Darassalam (Hildegard Wacker)**
  The exchange between students in Hamburg and Dasassalam is under planning.

- **Uni Darmstadt (Bernt Gebauer)**
  Presentation about social justice: How to diagnose conceptions of social issues by visualization and issue-centered discussion?

- **Euroclio (Steven Stegers)**
  The Historiana project was presented including the projects’ comparison tool, translate tool and Historiana learning section on the webpage. It was suggested to refer to the CLEAR methodology/project in the Historiana webpage.

- **University project in Infrane/ Fez, Morocco (Sandy Kebir)**
  A short update on the project and what has happened since November 2013 was given. Students from both universities have started to cooperate concept-learning activities, including face-to-face meetings.
CLEAR Website

As the aim of the public part of the website is to become more informative for everyone interested in the project, the starting page needs to be re-organized so users and visitors find their way in the webpage.

Main decisions made about the website:

First page:

The first page will be divided into two parts; one for new comers (new at CLEAR) and for advanced users (using CLEAR). In each of the two sections, the text and links will be adapted to the users. The content of the brochure will be put on the section for newcomers. Tools, examples and information about latest contributions will be put on the section for advanced users.

In the top of the page, there will be:

- A site map
- Three main headings (CLEAR, point of departure, methodology), with sub-headings
- A heading with contact info
- Partner presentations
- A twitter box

Webpage content:

- A template for the presentation of CLEAR activities will be developed in order to systematize and organize the experiences with the CLEAR methodology and make it accessible for others.
- A template for the different methods/tools that can be used in CLEAR learning activities will be developed. Different types of tools will comprise tools for analysis, tools for exchange and tools for reflection.

Brochure

A brochure about the CLEAR project and methodology is under development and will be published at the project website in autumn.

Planning ahead

Some future visions were discussed:

- Integrating the CLEAR methodology in research projects (empirical studies about CLEAR learning activities by Ph.D. students)
- The possibility of promoting the CLEAR methodology in teacher training activities in European connections as well as in international master programmes.
- The EUROCLIO seminar/conference (April 2015)
- Publication based on CLEAR practice examples in theoretical perspectives
CLEAR @ NECE Conference Vienna

There will be held a workshop open for conference participants to introduce the CLEAR methodology (based on the Europe 14/14 workshop).

The group will present its work at the project marked.

The next working meeting of the project group will be held in the end of the conference.