



Thematic Network Project
in the Area of Languages III

Multilingualism in the knowledge-based society

Building bridges for innovation in higher education, policies, and research

Closing Conference
Université Rennes 2 (FR),
22-23 September 2006

Provisional Programme

Friday, 22 September 2006

08:45 Registration

Opening Session

09:30 Words of welcome

09:40 Introductory remarks by Wolfgang Mackiewicz, TNP3 Co-ordinator

Theme 1: Languages for language-related industries and professions

- 10:00 Key note speech 1
The need for dialogue: A never-ending story
Brian Fox, European Commission, Director, Directorate A Interpreters, DG Interpretation
followed by questions and answers
- 10:35 Evaluation of the outcomes of the Europe-wide consultation among employers and graduates
Patrick Zabalbeascoa, Universitat Pompeu Fabra, ES
followed by questions and answers
- 11:00 *Coffee Break*

Theme 2: Languages for enhanced opportunities on the European labour market

- 11:15 Key note speech 2
L'entreprise face à l'enjeu du multilinguisme dans un environnement concurrentiel
Daniel Binet, Managing Director Zhendre, FR
followed by questions and answers
- 11:50 Evaluation of the outcomes of the Europe-wide consultation among employers and graduates
Thomas Fraser, Université de Lille III, FR
followed by questions and answers
- 12:10 Panel discussion: Higher education language studies – students' expectations and graduates' experiences
Students and graduates specially invited to the Conference
Chair: Karen M. Lauridsen, ASB/Handelshøjskolen i Århus, DK
- 13:15 *Lunch Break*

From Copenhagen to Rennes – outcomes of year three activities

- 14:30 Key note speech 3
The EU Multilingualism Policy and the new Life Long Programme (2007-2013)
Pedro Chaves, European Commission, DG for Education and Culture, Principal Administrator of Multilingualism Policy Unit
followed by questions and questions
- 15:00 Workshops
a) Languages for language-related industries and professions
b) Languages for enhanced opportunities on the European labour market
c) Languages as an interface between the different sectors of education
d) Arabic language and culture
- 16:00 *Coffee Break*
- 16:30 Continuation of workshops
- 18:00 End of Day 1
- 19:00 Reception – Ville de Rennes
- 20:30 *Conference dinner*

Saturday, 23 September 2006

Theme 3: Languages as an interface between the different sectors of education

- 9:30 Key note speech 4
The French language policy and the Common European Framework
Anne-Marie Lhéreté, Ministère de l'éducation nationale, de l'enseignement supérieur et de la recherche,
Inspectrice générale de langues vivantes – Anglais
followed by questions and answers

10:05 Evaluation of the outcomes of the Europe-wide consultation among the different sectors of education
Neva Slibar, Univerza v Ljubljani, SI
Followed by questions and answers

Towards an action plan

10:30 Workshops: next steps for action
a) Languages for language-related industries and professions
b) Languages for enhanced opportunities on the European labour market
c) Languages as an interface between the different sectors of education
d) Education and research
e) Arabic language and culture

11:00 *Coffee Break*

11:30 Continuation of workshops

12:45 *Lunch Break*

14:00 Reports of the Friday workshops

14:30 Reports on the outcomes of the Saturday workshops

15:00 Concluding remarks by Wolfgang Mackiewicz. TNP3 Co-ordinator

15:10 End of Day 2

15:30 Excursion to the Mont Saint Michel or city tour