

FORTHEM Collective Short-Term Mobility

Multilingualism in schools: methods and strategies for teaching languages

ORGANISING UNIVERSITY: Università degli Studi di Palermo (UNIPA)

LOCATION OF THE EVENT: Palermo and Polizzi Generosa (Sicily, Italy)

ORGANISERS: Università degli Studi di Palermo (UNIPA); Uniwersytet Opolski (UO); University of Jyväskylä (JYU); School of Italian as Second Language (ITASTRA_UNIPA); Study Group in the Field of Linguistic Education (GISCEL Sicilia); Democratic Teachers Initiative Center (CIDI Palermo)

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: the Summer School “Multilingualism in schools: methods and strategies for teaching languages” offers the opportunity to attend laboratorial activities in the field of teaching languages and literatures in multilingual contexts, to observe cases of good practice in schools, and to study multilingualism in Palermo by taking advantage of a unique opportunity, which is the promotion of a comparative, cross-national investigation of the main topic (i.e. multilingualism, its perceptions and realizations). Participants from seven partner universities would be invited to share their expertise and good practice on how to deal with problems arising from multicultural and multilingual environments.

DAY BY DAY PROGRAMME:

Day and date	Morning	Afternoon
Monday 12.04.2021	Observation of activities at School of Italian as Second Language	Workshops and small group discussions
Tuesday 13.04.2021	Workshop “Multilingualism in Italian Literature: a focus on Sicily”	Workshop “Promoting inclusive education in multilingual classrooms”
Wednesday 14.04.2021	Daily visit to the library of Polizzi Generosa (a town in the Madonie mountains nearby Palermo) that as main core has materials devoted to multilingualism and to the history of teaching foreigner languages.	
Thursday 15.04.2021	Workshop “Issue of national identity, citizenship and multilingualism in contemporary literature” (with a presentation of English case studies)	Workshop “Dealing with Multilingualism in Audio-visual Translation Teaching”
Friday 16.04.2021	Observation of multilingual classrooms and practises at school	

UNIPA will guarantee accommodation and meals to all foreign students that will attend this school. The Municipality of Polizzi Generosa will cover the costs related to the daily visit to the Library.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA AND SELECTION CRITERIA SPECIFIC TO THIS PROJECT: Basic requirement English level to attend the lessons. Preference for students with basic knowledge of Italian language. Pre-service teacher students and students in languages and human & social sciences are prioritized. Attachments needed for selection procedure: one-page CV; one-page Motivational letter.