



# **Language teaching: methods, good practice, experience - Examples from the Lifelong Learning Programme**

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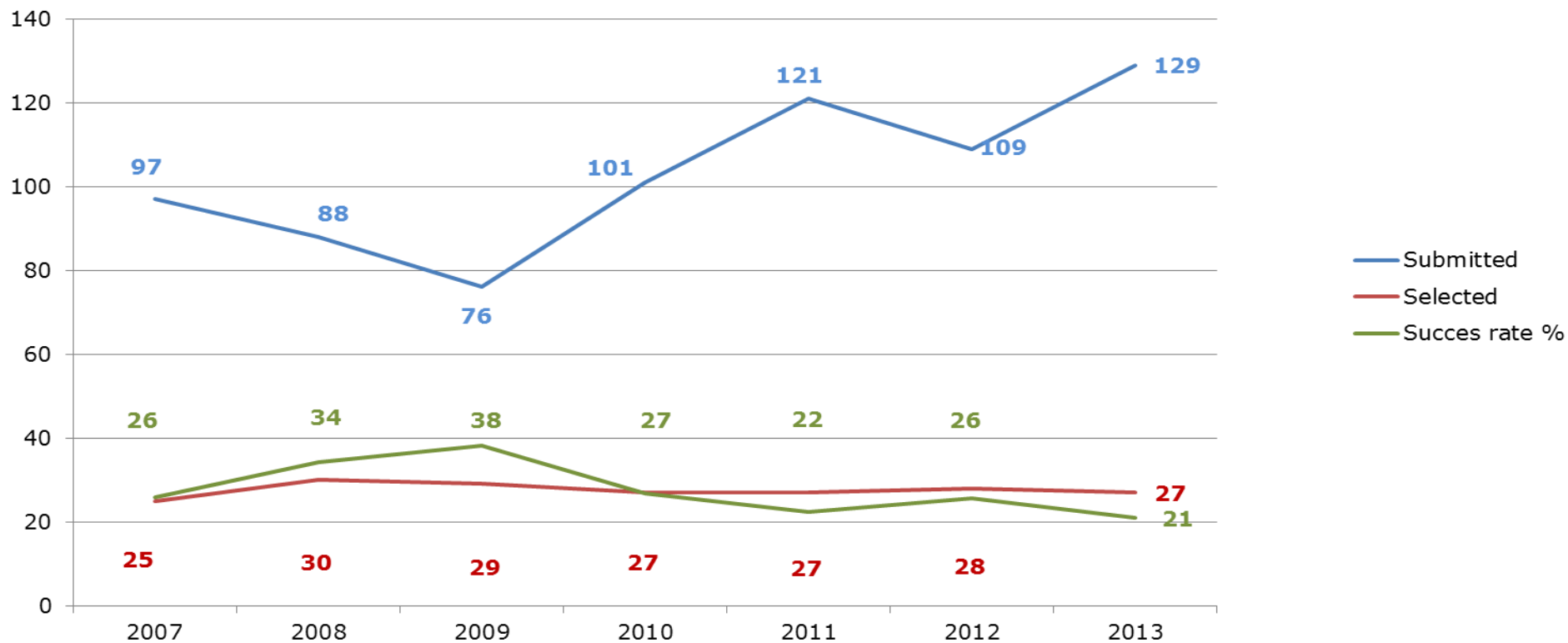
# Lifelong Learning Programme

Comenius	Erasmus	Leonardo da Vinci	Grundtvig
School education	Higher education & advanced training	Vocational education and training	Adult education
<i>opportunities for learning languages</i>			
<b>Transversal Programme</b>			
4 key activities	<b>KA1</b> Policy Cooperation; <b>KA2 Languages</b> ; <b>KA3</b> ICT <b>KA4</b> Dissemination and exploitation of results (valorisation)		
<b>Jean Monnet</b>			
3 key activities – Jean Monnet Action; European Institutions; European association			

# Key features of EU funding

	Multilateral projects	Network projects	Accompanying Measures
Min. Partnership	3 LLP countries (min.1 EU MS)	5 LLP countries (min.1 EU MS)	No minimum
Max. EU Funding	400.000 € max 200.000 €/y EU contribution: 75% max.	450.000 € max 150.000 €/y EU contribution: 75% max.	150.000 € max EU contribution: 75% max.
Max. Duration	3 years	3 years	1 year

## KA2 Languages demand and success rate



Over 70 M € grants distributed between 2007 and 2013

## **Some examples of innovative approaches**

- ICT-based for professional development
- Online courses for world languages
- Early language learning
- CLIL
- Communicative-based approach
- Informal learning

# Business and languages

## EUROCATOS - European Catering & Hospitality Language Training Course

- Training course for use in the professional hospitality sectors of reception, kitchen and restaurant service
- Online courses in 11 languages, EN, FR, ES, NL, NO, GL, DE, FI, IT, PL, GA.
- Levels A1-A2



European Language Label Awards and CALICO award in USA

[www.eurocatering.org](http://www.eurocatering.org)  
<http://www.eurocathos.eu>

# World languages

**CHINESE.COM** - Competences in Elementary Chinese as a mean to improve competitiveness of European Union companies



[www.chinesecom.eu](http://www.chinesecom.eu)



**Be My Guest** - created a self-study beginners online course Russian (level A1-A2).

**Webstar** - A web-based course of standard Arabic for schools, universities, tourism and business to foster intercultural understanding

[www.arabiconline.eu](http://www.arabiconline.eu)



Winner of 2013 Language label award

# Schools

## Kids to Talk

Target : Children (age: 3-5 and 5-7)  
with Multilingual backgrounds & educators

Outputs: Manual for Educators -  
Multilingualism in  
Early Childhood Education –  
e.g. Game-based education, puzzle, fairy  
tales...

Toolkit - treasure box

Languages: DE, AT, GR, RO



[www.kids2talk.de](http://www.kids2talk.de)



# Educators and educational administrators

## CLIL cascade Network

- CLIL Observatory
- Materials and resources
- Professional development
- Networking
- Conferences
- Academic Journal



[www.ccn-clil.eu](http://www.ccn-clil.eu)

# Adults and children: informal learning

## BILFAM: Bilingual family

- Narrative format
- Communicative-based approach
- early language learning
- information and training materials
- ICT Platform



<http://www.bilfam.eu>

# Youth and regional languages: informal learning

## Volangteer

- Methodology
- Resources and materials
- Guide
- Website



[www.volangteer.info](http://www.volangteer.info)

## **Additional information**

More information on the achievements of the Lifelong Learning Programme

**Funded projects**

[http://eacea.ec.europa.eu/llp/results\\_projects/project\\_compedia\\_en.php](http://eacea.ec.europa.eu/llp/results_projects/project_compedia_en.php)

**Reports and final results**

[http://eacea.ec.europa.eu/llp/project\\_reports/project\\_reports\\_en.php](http://eacea.ec.europa.eu/llp/project_reports/project_reports_en.php)

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