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# **LANGUAGE TANDEMS**

**in the ENHANCE alliance**



# WHAT IS ENHANCE

ENHANCE is an alliance of seven leading European Universities with a focus on science and engineering.

The ENHANCE alliance have applied for the pilot call by the European Commission under Erasmus+ funding programme for European Universities, which aims to create a new type of close European networks, enabling student and staff mobility, innovative forms of learning and close engagement with society on all levels.

<https://enhanceuniversity.eu/>



# MEMBERS



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# LANGUAGE TANDEMS

IN THE ENHANCE PROPOSAL



## 3.3 DEVELOP CONTENT FOR THE ENHANCE HE INNOVATOR ON THE FIELD OF EDUCATION

The HE Innovator will provide a database and pedagogical guidelines for self-organized virtual language tandems for students and staff to foster multilingualism. This will contribute both to improved foreign language skills and closer contact between members of the ENHANCE.

# PROJECT GOALS



Prototype and build tools for language tandems



Build an international learning community



Enhance international cooperation by starting new projects



# WHAT IS A LANGUAGE TANDEM?

It is a method of language learning based on a mutual language exchange between two tandem partners.

Ideally each learner is a native speaker of a language the other person wants to learn.

Participants become immersed in the target language culture.

# PROJECT BENEFITS



Improving foreign language skills with native speakers



Learning a new language from A0 level



Building international cooperation among students and universities and an international learning community

# PROJECT BENEFITS



Developing intercultural competence through international collaboration



Understanding and learning about different cultures



Helping exchange students to settle in a new country

# LANGUAGE TANDEM ORGANIZATION



- min. 30 minutes per lesson/ 60 minutes per meeting
- min. once a week
- based around video, listening, vocabulary or grammar materials from the tandem library
- for users learning languages at levels A0-B1 - English as the language of instruction

# LEARNING SPACE

## A LANGUAGE TANDEM **WEBSITE** WILL INCLUDE:

- users profiles
- language tandem library
- language tandem guidelines & support
- blog
- about
- contact
- social media widgets
- GDPR privacy policy and cookie consent



# LANGUAGE TANDEM LIBRARY



## PLACEMENT TESTS

Online tests to assess users' current language abilities



## TEACHING RESOURCES

Starters - ready lesson plans for the first lesson

Organised by languages & levels (A0 to C2)  
links to video, listening, reading, grammar and vocabulary materials



## TEACHING GUIDELINES

Lesson templates

Tutorials (films, articles, posts) with teaching & learning tips and tricks

# START

## LANGUAGE TANDEM MEETINGS



- start - 01.10.2021
- project duration - 11.2020 - 11.2023

# PROJECT PARTNERS



**We are looking for partners who could help us:**

- build the language tandem library
- promote the project
- organise culture and language - oriented events for Language Tandem users

# BARTER COLLABORATION

## WHAT WE CAN OFFER

- 1 Placing a partner's logo on the Language Tandem Partners page
- 2 Leading language or culture - oriented events for Tandem users during which it will be possible to promote the institution
- 3 Publishing language or culture - oriented posts on our blog or social media as a way to promote the institution
- 4 Sharing the language tandems know-how, which later might be used in the partner's institution
- 5 Sharing the language tandems know-how and experience for research purposes ( Universities )
- 6 Promoting Language Tandem languages and cultures ( Italian, Spanish, German, Swedish and Norwegian ) in the university community in Poland
- 7 Promoting Polish language and culture in the member countries - Germany, Spain, Italy, Norway and Sweden

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