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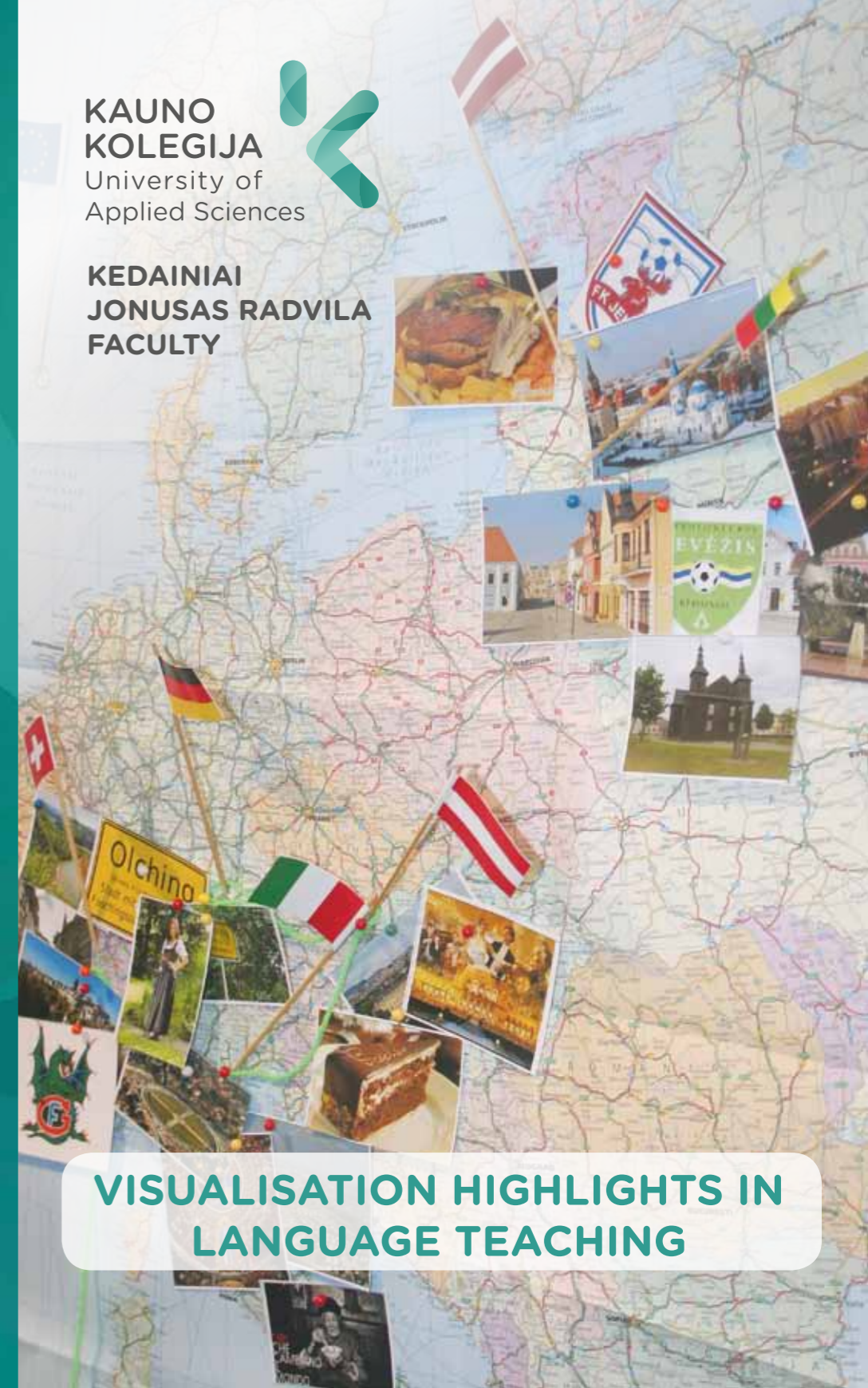Facebook profile: Visualisation-Grundtvig

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VISUALISATION HIGHLIGHTS IN LANGUAGE TEACHING

ABOUT OUR PROJECT
A two-year (2011-2013) Grundtvig Learning Partnership project
No. LLP-GRU-MP-2011-LT-00092

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Partner countries: Austria, Germany, Italy, Latvia, Lithuania, Spain, Switzerland

OBJECTIVES:

1. Establish close cooperation with partners on a large range of topics.
2. Improve each partner´s training provision through the exchange of teaching ideas and good practice.
3. Give colleagues with different cultural background the opportunity to share experiences, develop together innovative didactical approaches/alternative pedagogical concepts.
4. Propose strategies and tools to build up knowledge, improve language skills and sensitise learners for the different approaches.
5. Involve learners in the project processing.
6. Use visualisation and cooperative learning to discover cultural background and historical context of European countries – especially the countries involved in the project.
7. Activate the use of visual perception, offer learners new ways to enlarge competences, invite them to discover their own creativity.
8. Collect examples, study and place them as well as any result or exercise produced during the project time at anyone's disposal on a website.
9. Special consideration for 3rd age learners and also of migrants/people with poor education.
10. Raise awareness for common cultural background in Europe, enlarge intercultural competences.
11. Insist on the importance of the intercultural communication in Europe to understand the way of thinking and of dealing with unusual situations.

TARGET GROUPS: seniors (learners of the University of the 3rd Age) and future language teachers.

SOME WAYS TO VISUALIZE TOPICS:

- Cartoons strips
- Charades
- Clips and pictures
- Illustrations
- Pantomime
- Pictograms
- Sociometric exercises
- Spidergrams
- Gestures
- Drama techniques

MEETINGS

1st meeting (Olching, GERMANY), 19-23 October 2011
2nd meeting (Vienna, AUSTRIA), 9-12 February 2012
3rd meeting (Albignasego-PADOVA, Italy), 16-20 May 2012
4th meeting (Valladolid, SPAIN), 14-18 November 2012
5th meeting (Fribourg, SWITZERLAND), 06-10 March 2013
6th meeting (Jelgava, LATVIA), 05-09 June 2013

MAIN TOPICS OF OUR PARTNERSHIP:

- foreign language teaching and learning,
- generation cooperative learning,
- learning in senior age,
- citizenship of the seniors,
- intercultural cognition,
- new technologies

PROJECT ACTIVITIES IN KKKJR FACULTY:

1. The English language course (A1) for the senior citizens of Kėdainiai and its region.
2. The creation and usage of the methodological material with a special emphasis on visualization method and kinaesthetic elements.
3. The participation of the project team members and learners in the international partner meetings.
4. Taking part in the creation of the e-book containing the methodological material.
5. The dissemination of the activities of the project "Visualisation".