

Future Classroom Lab workshop

Make learning accessible: Special Educational Needs in my classroom

16-17 June 2016, Future Classroom Lab, Brussels

INTRODUCTION

The workshop on Special Educational Needs (SEN) is designed to give a hands-on approach to help participants develop their own ideas about inclusive learning and the effective use of technology.

The workshop gives participants an opportunity to:

- Share experiences working with students with special educational needs
- Explore innovative approaches and technologies to support learners with SEN
- Work with other teachers from across Europe to develop new ideas for their own classroom and school.

The workshop is based on the results and toolkits from eTwinning (www.etwinning.net), SENnet (<http://sennet.eun.org>), and the iTEC project (<http://itec.eun.org>) which developed and tested Future Classroom Scenarios in over 2,500 classrooms across Europe.



TRAINERS

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PRE-COURSE ACTIVITIES

Prior to starting the course, participants are asked to:

- Prepare a short, informal, 3--5 minute visual presentation (e.g. video, pictures) of your school and classroom/learning spaces to share with the other participants at the start of workshop.
- Familiarise yourself with [eTwinning](#), [ICT4IAL](#), [SENnet](#) and the [Future Classroom Lab](#).

Bring:

- Examples of classroom activities with students with SEN
- One or two profiles of students with SEN in your classes



AGENDA

Day 1 – 16 June	
9.30	Introduction – objectives of the workshop (RB) <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Welcome, about European Schoolnet, aim of the workshop• Discovering the Future Classroom Lab• Sharing: school environments and student SEN profiles
10.15	Special Educational Needs – Setting the scene <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Overview, definitions, integration issues• Assistive technology and how it can support learners with SEN• Sharing
10.45	Coffee break
11.00	Case study: Ysgol Hendrefelin Special School, Wales <ul style="list-style-type: none">• eTwinning projects and how they work with students with special needs
13.00	Lunch
13.45	How can technology help students with SEN? <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Practical examples of activities using tools and apps that work with learners with SEN, e.g. Padlet, blogs, Whatsapp, wordsearches, jigsaw Planet, Animoto, Scratch, Pickaface, Wordle, Kidblog, Puzzlemaker, Scratch and Hour of Code ...
15.15	Coffee break
15:30	Designing inclusive activities <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Group work related to special needs in participants' schools• Problem-solving tasks using the apps demonstrated• Share results
17:30	End of Day 1
19.30	Course dinner at the city centre

	Day 2 – 17 June
9.30	Getting it right <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Making information accessible: ICT4IAL guidelines and Universal Design for Learning, FCL accessibility equipment • Coding and special needs
10.30	Coffee break
10.45	Designing Learning Activities <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Designing innovative scenarios and learning activities – using the Future Classroom Lab toolkit • Group work: design an eTwinning project as a part of a Pedagogical Scenario
12.15	Lunch
13.00	Designing Learning Activities continued <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Including one to one surgery on participants' specific issues • Prepare a short (video) presentation of planned projects and learning activities
14.00	Review and next steps <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentations of project plans by participants and peer review • Keeping in touch, follow up webinar (July 2016) • Evaluation
15.00	End of the workshop

Changes to the course programme are possible

PRACTICAL INFORMATION

How to arrive to Brussels

Brussels has two airports: Brussels National airport (Zaventem), about 30 min to the city centre, and Brussels South airport (Charleroi), about 60 min to the city centre. You can arrive to Brussels also by train from London (Eurostar), Paris, Amsterdam and Cologne (Thalys).

From the Brussels airport (Zaventem) to the centre:

- **BY TRAIN:** The train takes you to the main train stations in the Brussels city area: Gare du Nord, Gare Centrale, and Gare du Midi. The ticket costs 8.5€. The trains go every 15-20 min and leave from the Level -1 of the airport terminal:
www.brusselsairport.be/en/passngr/to_from_brussels_airport/train/
- **BY BUS:** The buses **Number 12** (Monday to Friday until 20h) and **Number 21** (weekends all day and weekdays after 20h) take you to Diamant, Schuman and Luxembourg. The ticket costs 4-6 Euros. You find the bus schedules here: <http://www.stib.be/horaires-dienstregeling.html?l=en>

From the Charleroi airport to the centre:

- Take the Brussels City Shuttle bus which takes you to the Brussels Gare du Midi (main train station). A return ticket costs 28 euros (and a one-way ticket normally 14 euros).
- For the bus schedule, see here: www.charleroi-airport.com/en/passengers/acces-and-parking/brussels-city-shuttle/index.html
- At Gare du Midi you can continue your journey by using different metro lines, buses or pre-metro.

Course venue and how to arrive

The courses will be organised in Brussels, at European Schoolnet's Future Classroom Lab.

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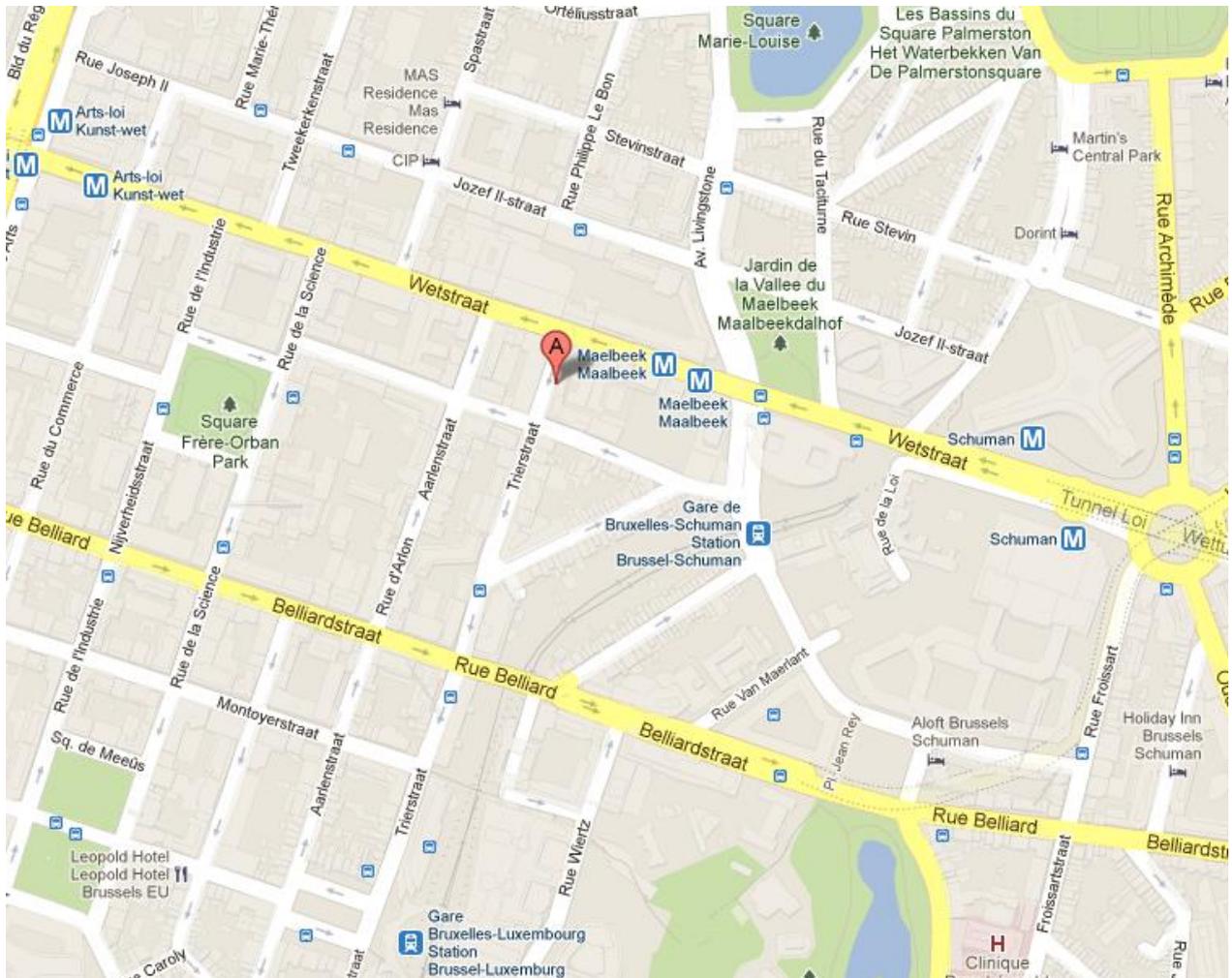
Future Classroom Lab - The Future Classroom Lab is a fully equipped, reconfigurable, teaching and learning space developed by European Schoolnet, its 30 supporting Ministries of Education and leading educational technology providers. Future Classroom Lab helps to visualise how conventional classrooms and other learning spaces can be reorganised to support changing styles of teaching and learning. Read more: <http://fcl.eun.org>

How to best reach the EUN office and Future Classroom Lab

The office is close to the following places:

- Schuman (buses, metro lines 5 & 1, train, airport bus): 10 min walk
- Luxembourg (buses, train, airport bus): 10 min walk

- Arts-Loi (metro lines 1, 2, 5, 6): 10 min walk
- Maelbeek (metro lines 5 & 1): 2 min walk – use the exit "Rue de la Loi/Wetstraat"
- Thon EU hotel: 1 min walk (across the street)



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especially when using public transports.*

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- **Past courses:** check out our [previous workshops/courses](#).
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