



## Participant's report to National Nominating Authorities and National Contact Points on workshops

### 1. Reporting

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Title of ECML project	LACS
ECML project website	
Type of the event	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Central workshop in Graz <input type="checkbox"/> Regional workshop in _____
Date of the event	10-11 December 2009
Brief summary of the content of the workshop	Promotion of ECML and networking opportunity for EU language teacher associations
What did you find particularly useful?	Meeting other association representatives
How will you use what you learnt/ developed in the event in your professional context?	To extend relationships with other language teacher associations in the EU. To learn from the practice of other similar organisations.
How will you further contribute to the project?	To work with LACS to find synergies between the LACS project and the EU funded REAL (Reseau Europeen des Associations de Professeurs de Langues) network of which ALL is a founder member
How do you plan to disseminate the project? - To colleagues - To a professional association - In a professional journal/website - In a newspaper - Other	Through our own Association publications and through the REAL project e-newsletter

## 2. Informing the public

Text of about 200 words in your national language(s) to be used for dissemination (on websites, for journals etc.) with a focus on the benefits for target groups

A group of over 30 representatives from language teacher associations across Europe came together on 10 and 11 December 2009 at the ECML in Graz under the auspices of a current ECML project, LACS. LACS is a project promoted by FIPLV (the international association of teachers of modern languages) and is led by the President of FIPLV, Terry Lamb (himself a member of the UK Association for Language Learning) and a team of FIPLV colleagues. The meeting had two main objectives:

- to learn more about ECML and how language teacher associations could disseminate the work of ECML to the benefit of their members.
- to give association representatives present the opportunity to discuss how collaboration between teacher associations can enrich the policies, strategies and working practices of language teacher associations.

ECML is a Council of Europe agency and this meeting was open to all 47 countries of the wider Europe as defined by the Council of Europe. This meant that participants came from far afield, including the Russian Federation, Armenia and Bosnia-Herzegovina. This meant a rich cultural mix and a fascinating range of experience among participants. We found out more about one another's associations, shared some good ideas and came away having made new colleagues and friends. You can find out more about the LACS project at <http://lacs.ecml.at/>.