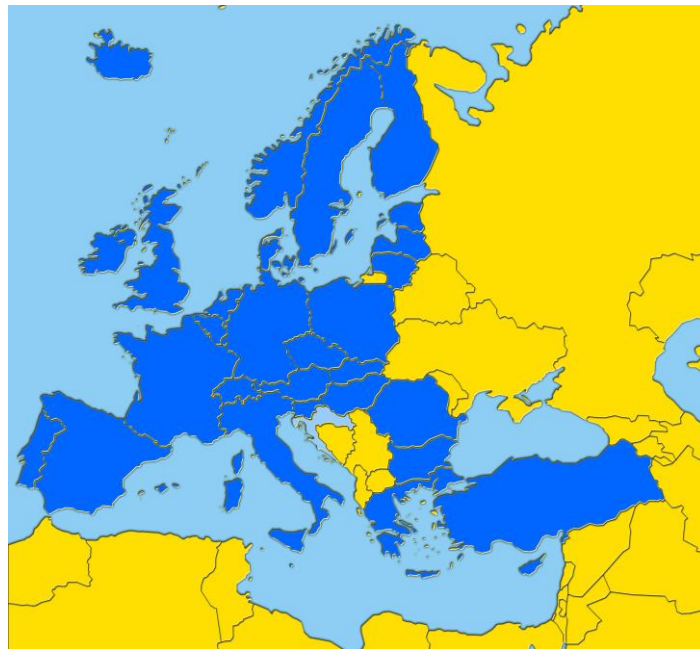




NetQues



*Network for Tuning Standards and Quality of Education programmes  
in Speech and Language Therapy / Logopaedics across Europe*



## Newsletter 4, June 2013

**Diary Reminder - Closing Congress of NetQues Project**

**“Communication Unites our Diversity”**

Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> and Friday 27<sup>th</sup> September 2013

Artevelde University College Ghent, Belgium

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### Take away action points from this Newsletter:

1. The closing Congress: **Communication Unites our Diversity** will take place on Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> and Friday 27<sup>th</sup> September 2013 in Artevelde University College Ghent, Belgium. This is the Final meeting of NetQues project partners. All partners should attend. *NB funding for one representative from every partner institution is included within the project budget.*
2. Encourage University senior management and other interested persons to attend the final session on the Friday morning of 27<sup>th</sup> September. (See invitation letter in Project Coordinator e-mail 21.6.2013).
3. Please inform the Coordinator ([netquesproject@gmail.com](mailto:netquesproject@gmail.com) or ([sec.gen@cplol.eu](mailto:sec.gen@cplol.eu)) with contact details of all other key stakeholders whom you would like to be invited.
4. Please bring examples of your own innovations and good practice in speech and language therapy education as posters and/or handouts for the session on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> September.
5. Please send links to information on examples of good practice in SLT-education to Evelijn Raven-Takken ([evelijn.raven@hu.nl](mailto:evelijn.raven@hu.nl)). You can find the template to do this on the intranet: <http://intranet.netques.eu/> under WP6.
6. Please send any materials you've used to explain, promote or other ways to disseminate the NetQues project in your country in to our DropBox or send them to Pirkko Rautakoski ([pirkko.rautakoski@abo.fi](mailto:pirkko.rautakoski@abo.fi)).
7. **Very important:** Please send your claims for all work done in the NetQues project by 31 July 2013 or earlier and the claim for the final meeting in Ghent within one month of it taking place.

Coordinator: CPLOL Comité Permanent de Liaison des Orthophonistes-Logopèdes de l'Union Européenne/ Standing Liaison Committee of E.U. Speech and Language Therapists and Logopedists

### News from the Project Coordinating Team

We trust you are all winding down a bit as another busy academic year comes towards a close – at least it does for some students!! We all know that academic staff don't usually have the same luxury of time out to forget about work when exams are over, but hopefully you will find time to relax and enjoy a less frenetic pace over at least a part of the summer.

Not only has it been a busy year for all those running SLT programmes but the NetQues project has had the benefit of partners working together and we are now finalising the presentation and publication of the results of the various surveys and data gathered. This has been a major task as we have so much good data but need to make sure it is presented in an easily interpreted and meaningful fashion for a range of people from different backgrounds.

We have also been busy planning the closing Congress: **Communication Unites our Diversity**. We hope every partner will have a representative who has been working on the project, at the closing meeting in Ghent on 26<sup>th</sup>/27<sup>th</sup> September, and will also encourage University senior management and other interested persons to attend the final session on the morning of 27<sup>th</sup> September. On the Friday the outcomes and future developments will be presented alongside an opportunity to see examples from partners of innovations and good practice in speech and language therapy education. To that end please do bring your examples. A Network is the forum for sharing ideas of what works – and even what doesn't – and we all in NetQues have a common goal – to provide the best and most relevant SLT education we can for our student professionals.

During the year we underwent a Monitoring Visit by EACEA in April. A small team consisting of the Project Coordinator, Finance Manager and a member of PMSG met in Brussels with the EACEA Project Officer and its Finance officer, who thoroughly examined all our progress to date, our management practices and financial accounting procedures. We are delighted to report that their feedback was very positive and they were very interested in what speech and language therapists do and how they are educated as well as monitoring if our project was realising its goals and aspirations. One administrative matter that is stressed is the need for all partners to make their claims accurately in a timely way so we need to ask you to make sure you get your claims into the system as soon as possible after working on the project. It is particularly important now that you get all claims for this final year's work in to us by 31 July or sooner and that you also submit the claim for the final meeting within a month of it taking place.

The EACEA teams were particularly keen to tell us that once a network such as this has been established and funded they will be keen to receive further applications which build on this work or spin off from it.



We were delighted to have a paper about the project accepted for presentation at the IALP congress in August in Turin. I do hope to see some of you there and hopefully also in the audience. If not then "See you in Ghent".

*Aileen Patterson*

Project Coordinator, (P01 CPLOL, France)

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SLT students (student orthophonistes) in France were eager to find out more about NetQues and invited Aileen Patterson, the Project Coordinator to give a key address at their National Congress in the Faculty of Medicine, Marseilles, on 8th December 2012.

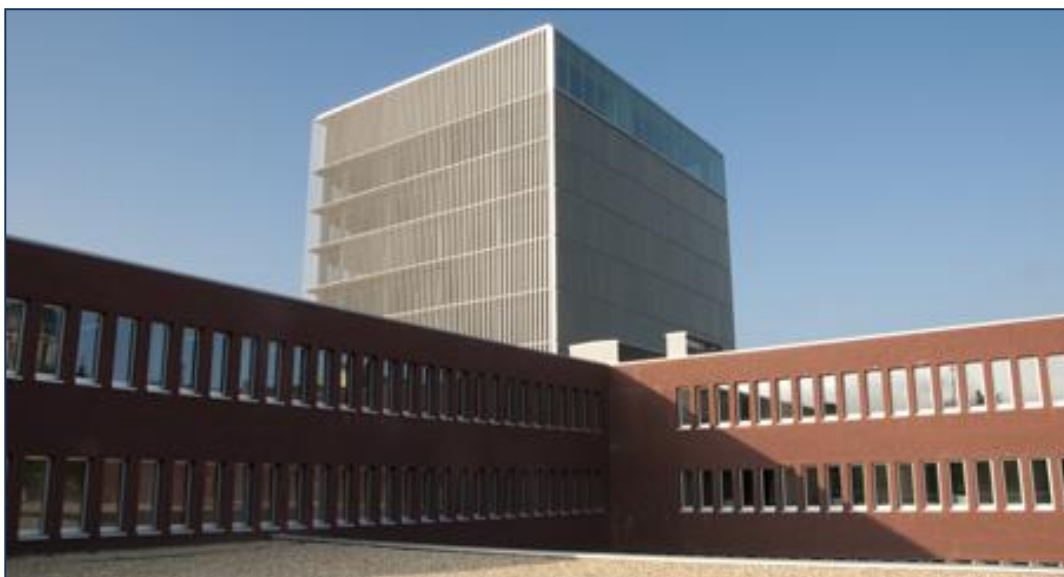


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Info on Artevelde University College Ghent: <http://www.arteveldehs.be/emc.asp?pagelid=1857>



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## Reports from Workpackages 5 and 6

### WP 5: Dissemination

It is important for the project to collect information about the dissemination work which takes place in different countries. So, please send us any materials you've used to explain or promote the NetQues project (powerpoint presentations, articles etc.) in to our DropBox filesharing folder or by emailing Pirkko ([pirkko.rautakoski@abo.fi](mailto:pirkko.rautakoski@abo.fi)). Thank you.



*Pirkko Rautakoski*

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WP5 lead partner (P24 Åbo Akademi University, Finland)

### WP 6: Tuning stage 3 Exploiting project outcomes

#### Examples of good practice

One of the main aims of NetQues is to enhance the education of speech and language therapists/logopaedists across Europe. Therefore WP6 is busy finding examples of good practice. The first examples are already available on the NetQues-website: <http://netques.eu/>. Click on "Project Outcomes" and you'll find really nice examples! Feel inspired by these examples, and if you like, use them in your own situation!

If you have yourself an example (and I am sure a lot of people have!), please fill in the template, or contact [Evelijn.raven@hu.nl](mailto:Evelijn.raven@hu.nl). As you can see in the examples, not all of them are in English. We live in a multi-cultural continent with many languages. If your example is in your own language, it can be captivating! ...and if you can provide a few words of text in English to assist – please feel free to!

You can find the template to inform about your example on the intranet: <http://intranet.netques.eu/> in the part of WP6.



We are looking forward to sharing more examples with you!

*Evelijn Raven-Takken*

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WP6 lead partner (P48 Hoge school Utrecht, Netherlands)

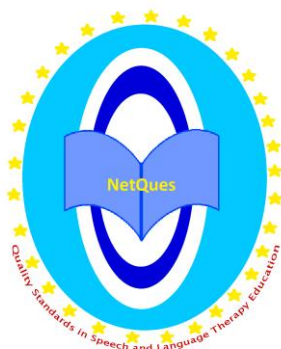
## Outline Programme:

### Closing Congress of NetQues Project 26/27 September 2013

Artevelde University College - Campus Kantienberg, Voetweg 66, 9000 Ghent, Belgium

Thurs 26 <sup>th</sup> September	
	<b>Final meeting of Partners</b>
9.30 - 10.00	<b>Registration</b>
10.00 - 11.30	<b>Review of Project</b> NetQues goals and contribution to SLT education in Europe What have we achieved – and how?
11.30 - 12.00	Coffee break
12.00 - 13.00	<b>Outline results:</b> headlines
13.00 - 14.00	Light buffet lunch
14.00 - 16.30	<b>Workshops</b> - Discussion Groups TOPICS: Benchmarks, applications and developments in own context and country; sustainability; implementation; educational development; future projects
16.30 - 17.30	<b>Plenary</b> session feedback summary of day. Key messages.

Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> September	
	Open meeting: <i>Communication Unites our Diversity</i>
9.30	<b>Registration</b>
10.00 – 10.10	<b>Welcome to Guests: President of CPLOL</b>
10.10 – 11.10	<b>Outcomes</b> <b>Coordinator of Project and Project Management team</b> Education across different backgrounds, cultures, language; evolution of the profession, systems and processes; graduate competences required to be “fit for practice”. Benchmarking standards. Benefits for people with communication impairments. <b>Key messages</b>
11.10- 12.00	<b>Posters and networking</b> Various posters presented during the project Country profiles Good practice examples Challenges for the future Next steps/ next project.
12.00-12.30	<b>Close of congress</b>



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August 25-29, 2013, Lingotto Congress Centre Torino, Italy

<http://ialp.info/29th-World-Congress-2013-pg16436.html>



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