

Next ENViL meeting

The next meeting of our network will take place in conjunction with the European Congress of InSEA at the Universidad Internacional de Andalucía, in Baeza (province of Jaén) Spain, from July 6 till 9, 2020. You are warmly invited to attend this congress and present your research as a contribution to the main programme of that congress. The ENViL meeting will concentrate on the activities of the ENViL working groups and on new projects.

ENViL meets IVLA

In October ENViL was formally invited to take part in the yearly congress of the International Visual Literacy Association (IVLA) in Louvain. This invitation was made possible thanks to our member Peter Carpreau, Head of the Old Masters Department of the Musuem M in Louvain. This year the conference concentrated on museum education, a domain that is relatively underexposed in both organisations. Diederik Schönau presented an overview of the recent discussion on the revision of the ENViL model, with a focus on the receptive part. Other ENViL members (Franz Billmayer, Marie Fulkova, Andrea Kárpáti, Marion Starzacher, Lode Vermeersch and Ernst Wagner) contributed to this congress and its preceding workshop.

Closer cooperation between ENViL and IVLA was discussed, bringing together two distinct research traditions with regard to 'visual literacy': a (mainly) American one, concentrating on a fuller understanding of how meaning is derived from what is seen and to how we interact with our visual environment, and a European one, concentrating on education in the domain of visual literacy.

Presentations of ENViL members

Next to the meetings in Malta and Louvain and M, ENViL members have been quite active at international congresses. Diederik Schönau was invited to give a keynote at the Third ELTE Workshop for Arts Education in Budapest. His contribution on the Possibilities and pitfalls on cooperation at European level is available in the congress proceedings (http://mpk.elte.hu/en/download/EWAE_2019_Proceedings.pdf), as well as on the ENViL website.

Many ENViL members were able to attend the InSEA World Congress in Vancouver in July. The Proceedings are still in progress.

The Proceedings of last year's InSEA Regional Congress in Finland to which many ENViL members contributed, have been published online at

<https://wiki.aalto.fi/pages/viewpage.action?pageId=148283892>

Working Group on Theory

The Working Group on Theory has produced a book on art education and ethics. Presentations related to the book were given at the InSEA European seminar in Malta, last October. This book is currently in the process of final editing and printing.

Working Group Revision of the Model

The Working Group is currently working on a more transparent and practical presentation of the sixteen sub-competencies of the model. Earlier this year it was decided to elaborate on two parallel sub-models, one for production and one for reception. This does not mean both domains are unrelated, on the contrary, but in educational (and daily) practice both sub-domains are in most cases addressed independently (e.g. studio work and museum education). In the sub-models the sub-competencies will also be presented in an order reflecting the dynamics of acting and learning in the domain of Visual Literacy.

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