



## 15th INEPS CONGRESS IN HAMEENLINNA

### Congress Program

(This is edited to fit into the Newsletter)

**Saturday 3.5.2003 Day of arrivals 19.00**

**Welcoming reception** at Hameenlinna art museum hosted by the city of Hameenlinna

**Sunday 4.5.2003 Day of icebreaking** —  
*Productive Learning* — what is it?

**19.00 Dinner** at Restaurant Yanha Norri

**Monday 5.5.2003 National Park Evo**

**10.00 Official Congress Opening**

**11.30 Adventure pedagogy**, method in practice. Discussion about how to use adventure pedagogy together with PL takes places during practicing the method on location.

Themes of the discussion groups/workshops:

**A.** Possibilities of using adventure pedagogy together with PL

**B.** PISA and the consequences: Can *Productive Learning* contribute to the reform of general education?

**C.** Disadvantaged students: Who are they, why are they disadvantaged and what do they need?

**D.** Equal opportunities of education and individual curricula in *Productive Learning* - a contradiction?

**E.** Teacher training: How to "train the trainers" in *Productive Learning*?

**F.** How to deal with drug problems (prevention) in a class through an interactive problem? Training of trainers in drug prevention.

**G.** *Productive Learning* for 13 to 15 years old students

**H.** Youth exchange projects with INEPS-partners

**Tuesday 6.5.2003 Kiipula College**

**Themes in groups**, all the groups have also a possibility to visit the Miinantorin - shop, an example of a learning environment.

**1. Project-based studying and learning in KYCAs Electrical Engineering Unit, 2. Learning to learn - skills, 3. Preparatory and rehabilitative education and guidance in KYC,**

**13.00 Seminar:** Learning in Finland.

**19.00 Discussion groups/workshops**

**Wednesday 7.5.2003** —

**09.00 School Visits; Or**

**Workshop:** Teachers training and PL

**13.00 National Workshop Association and Finnish workshop activity**

**13.30 Workshop schools in Finland**

**15.00-17.00 Group works**

— differences and similarities between productive learning theory and Finnish workshop learning method

**19.00 Non-formal lecture in Finnish sauna** hosted by N W Association

**Thursday 8.5.2003 Grande finale**

**9.00 Poster Market.**

**Short presentations** of the conclusions of discussions/workshops

**13.00 INEPS General assembly,**

**Congress final Press conference**

**19.00 Farewell dinner**

**Friday 9.5.2003 Departure day**

### Technological Centre Vilafranca Virtual

On October, 2002, the activities of the Technological Centre Vilafranca Virtual began. The Centre belongs to the Town Council of Vilafranca del Penedes (Catalonia, Spain) and it is as well the headquarters of the Productive Learning Institute (IDAP) of Vilafranca. This centre has at its disposal, a video and multimedia classroom with capacity for 10 people and an assisted self-directed learning classroom, with capacity for 16 people. It also has a reception, offices, an Internet Access Point and a meeting room for 25 people. In little more than a year, the Centre has already offered training to more than 900 people, always through the use of the Productive Learning methodology.

Every week, 130 to 150 people come to the Centre in order to get some training in relation to the new technologies. 40 more people come in order to connect themselves to Internet. Each week, the Technological Centre also receives the visit of around 40 students from the Open University of Catalonia (UOC) that may come to get some information, to bring in certain documents or to connect themselves to the Virtual Campus as well.

Now, with the ALCOA's Foundation support, the Technological Centre of Vilafranca Virtual has had the opportunity of furnishing itself with a multimedia room with the most advanced technologies in order to offer a dynamic and innovative training and with the possibility of doing interactive presentations and videoconferences. An interactive board with an electromagnetic pen, a projector and a videoconference equipment become the most remarkable part of the whole equipment. The room, with capacity for 25 people, also has at its disposal a meeting table, a portable computer, a retro-projector, a printer-photocopy machine, sound equipment with wireless microphones, amplifier, loudspeakers, mini-disc, VHS reproducer and DVD multi-zone. Everything is under the control of a multimedia computer that works with a wireless keyboard as well as a wireless mouse and a TFT screen.

Josep Alsina, Vilafranca

### A NEW ARRIVAL

We are pleased to announce a new INEPS member. On January 23rd a baby boy was born in Paris to Wolfgang Molitor. His name is Nathan Molitor. Congratulations to Wolfgang, Alex and Louis on their new family member.



**NEXT MONTH:** Highlights of the April 2003 INEPS Youth Conference in Stockholm.