

*National Coordinators for the New European Agenda for Adult Learning*

Meeting and Peer Learning Activity  
Outline agenda

13-15 March 2023  
Brussels and Leuven, Belgium

**13 March 2023**

*Site visit*

Cantersteen 10, 1000 Brussels, Belgium

**13.30 – 14.30**

**Optional visit to [BeCentral Brussels](#)**

**14 March 2023**

*National Coordinators' Meeting*

Dirk Bouts building, Diestsepoort 6, 3000 Leuven, Belgium

**9.30 – 10.00**

**Registration**

**10.00 – 10.30**

**Welcome by the European Commission and the hosting country, the Flemish Community of Belgium  
Presentation of the agenda**

**10.30 – 10.50**

**Policy update by the European Commission**

**10.50 - 11.20**

**Implementing the European Agenda for Adult Learning  
The Flemish Lifelong Learning Partnership**

**11.20 – 11.40**

***Health and Coffee break***

**11.40 – 13.00**

**Round table on project activities at national level and discussion in small groups about success factors for the implementation of the priorities:**

- Increasing participation of adults in learning
- Widening flexibility and access
- Developing Skills for Life
- Upskilling Pathways
- Successful outreach and dissemination

<b>13.00 – 14.00</b>	<b>Lunch</b> in the restaurant of the Dirk Bouts building (on own costs)
<b>14.00 – 14.30</b>	<b>Updates on progress joint activities / peer learning activities</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Increasing participation</li> <li>• Skills for life</li> <li>• Improving the links between formal and non-formal education and different sectors</li> <li>• Upskilling digital skills</li> <li>• Green transition</li> </ul>
<b>14.30 – 15.30</b>	<b>Round tables for sharing of inspiring practices to feed into the European Year of Skills</b>
<b>15.30 – 17.00</b>	<b>Preparation of the next application round</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Practical information and planned schedule</li> <li>• Discussion in small groups on possible policy topics in focus for clusters/PLAs of national coordinators</li> </ul>
<b>19.00 – 21.00</b>	<b><u>Dinner options</u> in the city centre of Leuven</b> Dinner will not be organised centrally – we invite participants to organise themselves in small groups
<p><b>15 March 2023</b></p> <p><b>PLA “Learning communities and innovative learning spaces”</b></p> <p><b>Dirk Bouts building, Diestsepoort 6, 3000 Leuven, Belgium</b></p>	
<b>9.30 – 10.00</b>	<b>Registration and welcome coffee</b>
<b>10.00 – 10.40</b>	<b>Keynote speech by Pieter Sprangers, (PhD) educational designer and educational design researcher (TBC)</b>
<b>10.40 – 11.20</b>	<b>Supporting learning communities and exploring innovative learning spaces</b> <p><b>Slovenia: Ajdovščina Adult Education Centre – the driving force of a learning community</b> Presenters: <a href="#">Eva Mermolja</a>, director of Ajdovščina AEC, and <a href="#">Zvonka Pangerc Pahernik</a>, Slovenian Institute for Adult Education, EAAL national coordinator</p> <p><b>Ireland: Learners as Leaders– a learner-centred programme that brings adult learners together across Ireland.</b> Presenter: <a href="#">Dearbháil Lawless</a>, CEO, and <a href="#">Ecem Akarca</a>, EU Projects Coordinator - AONTAS, The National Adult Learning Organisation, NEAAL National Coordinator in Ireland</p>

<b>11.20 – 11.40</b>	<b>Coffee and health break</b>
<b>11.40 – 12.00</b>	<b>Inspiring examples from the Flemish Community of Belgium</b>
<b>12.00 – 12.45</b>	<p><b>Higher education and the “European Universities” alliances for lifelong learning – discussion on cooperation possibilities</b></p> <p><b><a href="#">UNA Europa</a> alliance</b> of 11 European universities and their role in lifelong learning – online contribution  <i>Prof. Begoña Garcia Greciano – Vice Rector for Economic Policy at Universidad Complutense de Madrid</i></p> <p><b>University of Applied Sciences Leuven - Limburg (UCLL) and the <a href="#">E3UDRESS2</a> alliance-</b> Engaged, Entrepreneurial, European University as driver for smart and sustainable regions  <i>Klaas Vansteenhuyse - Head of education and student services, UCLL</i></p>
<b>12.45 – 13.45</b>	<b>Lunch</b> in the restaurant of the Dirk Bouts building (on own costs)
<b>13.45 – 17.00</b>	<p><b>Site visit <a href="#">maakleerplek</a></b></p> <p><b>Experimenting with learning ecosystems</b> in 2 Flemish provinces presented by Eline Vermeersch (ESF)</p>
<b>17.00</b>	<b>Closing</b>