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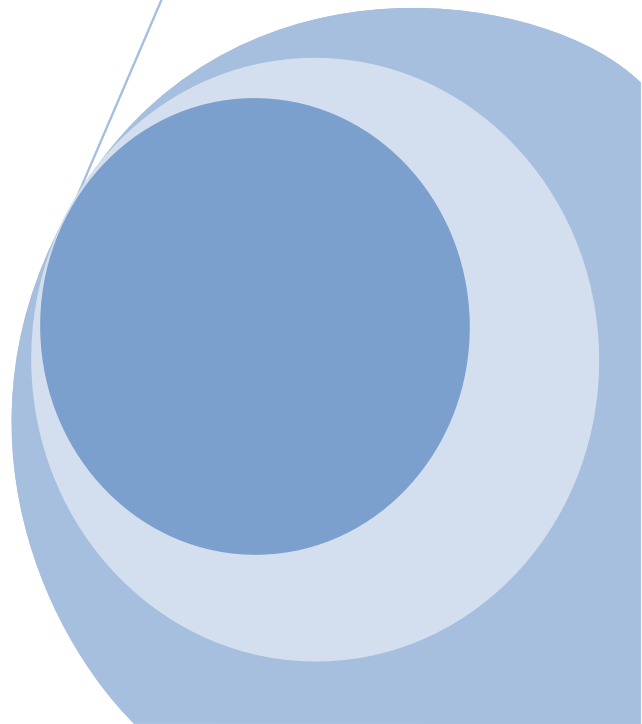## FROM CREATING JOYFUL LEARNING EXPERIENCE INTO ACTIVE CITIZENSHIP

Trainer's Toolkit –

Methods for Joyful Teaching

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1   Webinar

1.1 Description

Short for **Web**-*based* sem**inar**, it is a presentation, lecture, workshop or seminar that is transmitted over the Web using video conferencing software. A key feature of a Webinar is its interactive elements - the ability to give, receive and discuss information. Contrast with Webcase, in which the data transmission is one way and does not allow interaction between the presenter and the audience. [1]

1.2 Practical exercises / How did you use it for adult literacy project?

Webinars have been presented at the project meeting in Portugal in the Moodle workshop for demonstrating how to run Webinars with GoToMeeting® (participants can log into the webinar during the workshop). In the past we have been using Skype, but especially for larger groups we do not use it any longer. The webinar tools should offer functions for registration of learners and also reporting functions about the times when the learners joined the distance learning.

1.3 Lessons we learned / Recommendations

A trainer who uses Webinars must understand the needs of the learners for distance education. Some technical problems are still to overcome, such as muting microphones of participants or user interactions in groups of more learners. A good internet connection is required to have satisfactory quality for webinars.

The learner should not be overloaded with technology and information – we rather focus most of the time during the webinar on the voice of the trainer only – and use additional channels (screen transmission, other sources) only in selected cases for demonstration. It is also up to the tutor to decide whether he/she switches on the camera constantly. We rather focus on the content on the screen of the presenter, with video transmission of trainer or participants on a limited scale.

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[1] http://www.webopedia.com/TERM/W/Webinar.html as accessed on 29/07/2014

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