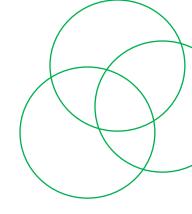


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### **TDAR - PROJECT AIM**

To transfer a new conceptual framework in training based on an integrated methodology that involves not only the target group for vocational training, but also operational managers and key personnel in the organization.

### WHAT'S UP IN TDAR?

The project team is now working together closely on the project's planned activities. Evaluation tools have been produced and all partners have started using them. Before starting to test ArbetSam products, partners have compared the circumstances prevailing in adult social care and education in their own countries to those in Sweden that gave rise to the ArbetSam approach. When the analysis is completed it will be published on the TDAR website.

#### **STOCKHOLM SWEDEN**

The recruitment of suitably qualified care staff is an on-going challenge in the Stockholm region. In May, Stig Nyman, Chairman of

the Stockholm Gerontology Research Center (SGRC), invited politicians and senior officials to a dialogue on how to sustain the achievements of ArbetSam and SpråkSam (Arbetsam's predecessor project). This event was attended by 65 people. SGRC together with Stockholm County Administrative Board are already planning a further two seminars this autumn with a view to establishing a workplace learning centre for elderly care.

"What should we seek to sustain from previous projects? It is important to create good role models that rub off. This marks a new beginning to improving the skills of the care workforce"



Stig Nyman, TDAR's dialogue in Stockholm

### **ROUND TABLE IN LONDON**

Project Manager Kerstin Sjösvärd and Alexander Braddell, director of UK partner OSEC, were invited to the Nexus Round table discussion on issues and approaches to integration by British Council, London, UK. Other participants included representatives of UK government (Home Office, Dept for Business, Innovation & Skills, Dept for Communities & Local Govt, Welsh Govt, Northern Ireland Govt), the British Council, Migration Policy Group (Brussels), Vox Agency Norway, Bayt al Thaqafa Foundation Catalonia and ACIDI Portugal. This activity brought TDAR and the ArbetSam approach to the attention of government represents in the UK, Norway and Portugal, as well as to an EU organisation concerned with migration policy, see attached documentation. <u>Follow the link</u>



## **CONFERENCE IN JENA**

In March the partners held a project meeting in Jena. In addition to this meeting, a one-day conference took place, hosted by TDAR's German partner, Interculture. Follow the link

# **COMING CONFERENCE IN SAN SEBASTIAN**

TDAR's Spanish partner, Nazaret Zentroa, based in San Sebastian, is planning an autumn conference to coincide with the partner's next project meeting, scheduled for October 7. The title of the conference is "Improving Quality of Service and Innovating Workplace Training in the Elderly Care Sector". The complete program will be published at TDAR website later this summer.

### WORKSHOP AT NATIONAL CONFERENCE IN UK

NATECLA, the leading professional association for ESOL teaching in the UK has accepted a workshop proposal from the project's UK partner, OSEC, at NATECLA's national conference in June, Language Reflections: Follow the link

The workshop will offer an opportunity to disseminate the ArbetSam approach to UK ESOL teachers and also to consult on its applicability in the UK.

### SOME NEWS FROM BELGIUM

TDAR's Belgian partner is currently analysing the different courses in 'linguistic skills' in relation to workplace learning in the care sector through interviews with employers and employees. <u>Follow the link</u>









**The TDAR project** aims to contribute to the development of vocational training for staff in the care sector by transfer and further development of the innovative results from the Swedish projects ArbetSam and

SpråkSam to partners in Germany, Great Britain, Spain and Belgium. Results to be transferred include a conceptual framework and methodology for training that involves not only the target group for vocational training, but also their managers and other key personnel in the employer-organization.

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