



GLOBAL SKILLS FOR LOCAL NEEDS
Facing Challenges in 21st Century Classrooms
2-4 October, 2009 Budapest

PARTICIPANTS' FEEDBACK

1. Overall opinion

	Excellent	Good	Satisfactory	Poor
1. Publicity before the conference	48%	42%	10%	-
2. Information, welcome pack and programme booklet on the day	65%	35%	-	-
3. The overall level of the workshops/sessions/plenaries you have attended	39%	57%	4%	-
4. The venue of the conference	59%	41%	-	-
5. Meeting/Networking areas	30%	60%	10%	-
6. The publishers' exhibitions	39%	57%	-	4%
7. The social programmes	71%	29%	-	-
8. Getting help from local organisers on spot	57%	39%	4%	-
	51%	45%	3,5%	0,5%

2. Organisation and venue

Most people found that:

- ✓ the venue was great
- ✓ the rooms were pleasant, not crowded
- ✓ breaks allowed plenty of time between sessions
- ✓ people were flexible and helpful
- ✓ organisation was good

3. Atmosphere/Social programs

Several people highlighted

- ✓ the atmosphere
- ✓ the Pecha Kucha evening
- ✓ the social programs
- ✓ socializing and networking was useful
- ✓ the conference was small so it was easy to talk to many people, even 'serious' professionals
- ✓ participants from abroad made the conference more interesting

4. Professional Content

Most people praised:

- ✓ the variety of topics / areas / programs
- ✓ the exhibition area and the exhibition itself
- ✓ the overall quality of the lectures / well-prepared presenters
- ✓ the plenary sessions
- ✓ the open lesson
- ✓ the fruitful/instructive talks and workshops they attended

- ✓ the professionalism of people involved
- ✓ the efficiency of the AGM
- ✓ the SIG events on Friday
- ✓ the presentations from different countries – more points of views

The following presentations were mentioned by name:

7 votes	Christine Frank: Working with words
5 votes	Herbert Puchta: Creativity and Grammar Teaching, plenary
4 votes	Miriam Farkas Grunwald's demo lesson in the YL SIG afternoon
2 votes	ICT SIG event / E. Csibi: How to study for exams?
1 vote	Éva Illés's plenary / all the plenary sessions / G. Hardcastle: 'SLAP' workshop / T. Kiss: Singlish // G. Lewis: Activities to Promote Thinking Skills / L. Clandfield: Blogging... / J. Sazdovska: Hooks... / R. Senior: Principles of class group management / A. Antonaros: Living values in Education

5. What would participants change in the future?

PROFESSIONAL ASPECTS

One or more participants would like

- more talks on teaching children and open lessons with children
- to address issues on less privileged classes, large groups, minorities, poor children, roma students
- more content on equal rights
- more sessions on adult education
- poster presentations & students' work
- more open lessons
- more "research" books at the book exhibition
- to add electronic village so that people who are not present can also take part in the conference

SCHEDULING/VENUE/OTHER

One or more participants would like

- the conference to come back to Balassi Institute
- us to make a shuttle available to get there (first time in Budapest, difficult to travel)
- to make Friday shorter (finish with reception at around 8pm)

Finally, 5 participants suggested that we 'Keep up the good work'.

This is exactly what we are going to try to do as we

**THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR FILLING IN THE FEEDBACK SHEETS.
WE HOPE TO SEE ALL OF YOU NEXT OCTOBER!**