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### Bilingual Preschools: Research meets Practice

Research Findings and Best Practices in Preschools and Primary Schools

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### Venue

Magdeburg-Stendal University of Applied Sciences

Breitscheidstrasse 2

39114 Magdeburg, Germany

Main Lecture Hall and Building No. 14

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## Conference, June 19, 2010 in Magdeburg



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# Programme

## Bilingual Preschools: Research meets Practice

Languages: German and English (Simultaneous Interpretation)

08:00	Check-in	13:15 - 13:30	"Green Immersion": Bilingual Environmental Education at a Zoo Preschool Prof. Dr. Michael Ewig, University of Education Weingarten Shannon Thomas, Magdeburg Zoological Garden
09:00 - 09:15	Welcoming Remarks Prof. Dr. Holger Kersten, Academic Coordinator, University of Magdeburg	13:30 - 14:00	Discussion
09:15 - 09:25	Welcoming Remarks Patron Norbert Bischoff, Saxony-Anhalt Minister of Health and Social Affairs	14:00 - 14:30	Coffee break
09:25 - 09:45	Introductory Remarks Dr. Annette Lommel, FMKS e.V., Kiel Dr. Kristin Kersten, Project Coordinator ELIAS, University of Magdeburg	<b>14:30 - 16:00</b>	<b>Workshops</b>
09:45 - 10:30	Immersion in Early Second Language Acquisition Prof. Dr. Henning Wode, University of Kiel	1. Cultivating Native Language Skills Katharina Neils, Logopädische Praxis Magdeburg	
10:30 - 11:00	Coffee break	2. Intercultural Education in Bilingual Institutions Prof. Dr. Ute Massler, University of Education Weingarten Lydia Gerlich, University of Magdeburg	
<b>11:00 - 14:30</b>	<b>Research Findings and Best Practices</b>	3. Discovery and Experimentation: English Language Nature and Technology Activities Prof. Dr. Petra Burmeister, University of Education Weingarten Shannon Thomas, Zoological Garden Magdeburg	
11:00 - 11:15	The ELIAS Research Project Dr. Kristin Kersten, University of Magdeburg	4. Games, Songs & Co.: English Preschool Materials Dr. Christine Tiefenthal, Lena Gotthardt, Annelie Schober, Insa Wippermann, University of Hamburg	
11:15 - 11:30	The Acquisition of German by Native German Children and Children from Migrant Backgrounds Katharina Neils, Logopädische Praxis Magdeburg Prof. Dr. Thorsten Piske, University of Education Schwäbisch Gmünd	5. Establishing a Bilingual Preschool Dr. Anja Steinlen, University of Kiel Verly Kretschmar, Bilingual Preschool Melsdorf	
11:30 - 11:45	Second Language Acquisition Prof. Dr. Gisela Häkansson, University of Lund, Sweden Prof. Dr. Alex Housen, University of Brussels, Belgium	6. How Do Children Acquire a Second Language? – Background Information and Practical Tips Svenja Grzyb, Martina Weitz, Prof. Dr. Andreas Rohde, University of Cologne	
11:45 - 12:00	Second Language Input Dr. Anja Steinlen, University of Kiel Martina Weitz, University of Cologne	7. Prerequisites for Effective Second Language Acquisition in Majority Language Children and Children from Migrant Backgrounds Prof. Dr. Thorsten Piske, University of Education Schwäbisch Gmünd Dr. Christina Schellletter, University of Hertfordshire, England	
12:00 - 12:15	Intercultural Communication Prof. Dr. Ute Massler, University of Education Weingarten Lydia Gerlich, University of Magdeburg		
12:15 - 13:15	Lunch break		



ELIAS (Early Language and Intercultural Acquisition Studies) is an EU project with eighteen partners including academic and educational institutions, preschools and the Magdeburg Zoo from four European countries, Belgium, England, Sweden and Germany. Under the lead management of Otto-von-Guericke University Magdeburg, every bilingual preschool in the project has been monitored by academic experts over the last two years. The studies cover first and second language acquisition, intercultural education and bilingual environmental education ("green immersion" at the Zoo Preschool in Magdeburg).

### The conference is open to

professional educators from preschools, primary schools, non-academic institutions, universities, academics, university students, parents, consultants, government and business representatives and anyone with an interest

### The conference intends to

- raise the general public's awareness of early language acquisition
- facilitate an international exchange of experiences
- present the findings of the EU project ELIAS and best practices
- emphasise the basic requirements of early language acquisition
- elucidate language acquisition in preschools and primary schools
- present bilingual teaching materials for preschools and primary schools
- provide practical assistance for the establishment of a bilingual preschool

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