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## Nordiskt nätverk för vuxnas lärande

### Language, Inclusion and Labour Markets

#### Programme

08.30 – 09.00	Registration and coffee
09.00 – 09.15	<b>Welcome</b> by NVL and a representative for the Government of the Faroe Islands <b>Moderator:</b> David Im, Integration Coordinator.
09.15 – 09.55	<b>“The New Speakers Network<sup>1</sup>, research overview, European perspectives and findings from minoritized language contexts”</b> , Professor Bernadette O’Rourke, Heriot-Watt University, Edinburgh.
09.55 – 10.25	<b>“Language learning and employment experiences: Insights from newcomers in the Faroe Islands”</b> , Elisabeth Holm, PhD student, Heriot-Watt University, Edinburgh.
10.25 – 10.45	Coffee break
10.45 – 11.30	<b>Three ‘new speakers’ of Faroese</b> will share their stories on experiences of learning Faroese and challenges regarding labour market access and inclusion. They are Alice Mortensen, Anthony Darracq and Andreea Lygia Popescu.
11.30 – 11.50	<b>“Non-Nordic immigrants without a voice in the Faroese educational system with special emphasis on upper-secondary education”</b> , Hans Jacob Kollslíð, MA student in Careers Guidance and Counselling (CGC), teacher and CGC staff at Kambsdal College.
11.50 – 12.30	<b>“Migration, enterprise policy and inclusive communities”</b> , Professor Mike Danson, Heriot-Watt University, Edinburgh.
12.30 – 13.15	Lunch

<sup>1</sup> <http://www.nspk.org.uk/> Focuses on the dynamics involved in becoming a “new speaker” of a language in the context of a multilingual Europe. Research involves regional minorities, immigrants and transnational workers.

13.15 – 14.00	<p><b>"From monocultural towards intercultural mindsets in relation to pedagogy, diversity, inclusion and integration"</b> (Från monokulturella till interkulturella tankemodeller gällande pedagogik, mångfald, integration och integrering), Professor emerita Pirjo Lahdenperä, Mälardalens högskola, Sweden.</p>
<p>14.00 – 16.00</p> <p>Coffee break is included</p>	<p><b>Thematic carousel workshops/Round-table discussions with facilitators:</b></p> <p><b>Three topics at three different stations where issues raised in all presentations at this event will feed into discussions:</b></p> <p><b>First round:</b> 14.10 – 14.40  <b>Second round:</b> 14.50 – 15.20  <b>Third round:</b> 15.30 – 16.00</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li> <p><b>1. Thematic focus 1: Faroese as a foreign language:</b>  This workshop focuses on access to Faroese, development of Faroese as a second or foreign language, foreign language pedagogy, teachers' competences and competence development, progressive language levels (CEFR), intercultural pedagogy and language awareness.  <b>Facilitators:</b> Karolina Matras, Phd student, University of the Faroe Islands &amp; NVL's Basic Skills Network and Hanna Jensen, Member of Parliament &amp; NVL's Adult Guidance Network.</p> </li> <li> <p><b>2. Thematic focus 2: Labour Market Flexibility &amp; Enterprise Policy:</b>  What legal and practical requirements are needed in order to create inclusive workplace policies? How can underemployment be avoided and how can barriers to skilled employment be tackled? Who is responsible for labour market and enterprise policies?  <b>Facilitators:</b> Erika Hayfield, PhD, University of the Faroe Islands and Tórheðin Jensen, PhD student &amp; administrative director at Varðin Pelagic.</p> </li> <li> <p><b>3. Thematic focus 3: Adult Education &amp; Lifelong Learning</b>  In what way can coordinated adult education, which e.g. includes lifelong learning, <b>lifelong guidance</b>, distance education and <b>recognition of prior learning</b>, contribute to language learning, inclusion, social justice and labour market integration?  <b>Facilitators:</b> Deirdre Hansen, adult guidance counsellor at Fjarnám, Klaksvík &amp; NVL's Distans Network, John Dalsgarð, Yrkisdepilin &amp; NVL's Validation Network and Hans Jacob Kollslíð, Career Guidance Counsellor, Kambsdal College.</p> </li> </ol>
15.00	Coffee/tea served for participants to bring to workshops
16.05 – 16.45	<p><b>Plenary discussion:</b> Facilitators present highlights, main points and proposals from roundtable discussions. Participants are invited to comment, raise questions and thus contribute to recommendations and resolutions that subsequently will be sent to participants, stakeholders and authorities.  <b>Moderators:</b> David Im, Integration Coordinator and Enna Garðshorn Mikkelsen, MA in European Ethnology and Organisational and Cultural Researcher at HR Consult.</p>
16.45 - 17.00	Wrapping up, reflections, conclusions and resolution proposals for policymaking.