

**C O N F E R E N C E**

**A N N O U N C E M E N T**

The **Pro-Sign** project[[1]](#footnote-1), funded by the European Centre for Modern Languages (ECML), is a first and highly significant step toward the establishment of European standards for specifying proficiency levels for use in Deaf Studies and Interpreting programmes offered at tertiary level.

Part of this Pro-Sign project is the organisation of a workshop “Signed Languages for Professional Purposes” for **invited** representatives of ECML member states on 15-17th April 2013, in Graz, Austria.

In order to prepare for this workshop, the **Pro-Sign** Expert Team is organising a **conference** open to all professionals and researchers interested in developing and establishing common sign language levels.

**The CEFR for Signed Languages**

**in Higher Education**

Dates Saturday 13th and Sunday 14th April 2013

Venue To be announced, in **Graz, Austria**

Organisers Lorraine Leeson, Ireland; Tobias Haug, Switzerland;

Christian Rathmann, Germany; Beppie van den Bogaerde, The Netherlands

Working languages English and International Sign

Conference Fee € 200.-

Registration <http://prosign-estw.eventbrite.ie/>#

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**Preliminary program**

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| **Pre-Workshop Conference** | | | | | |
| **CEFR for Signed Languages in Higher Education in Europe** | | | | | |
| **Time** | **Saturday, 13.04.2013** | | | **Time** | **Sunday, 14.04.2013** |
| 09.30-10.00 | Welcome/general information | | | 09.00-9.15 | General information |
| 10.00-10.30 | key note/general presentation re CEFR4SL | | | 9.15-10.30 | Reports from WS 1-4 & Discussion |
| 10.30-11.00 | Coffee break | | | 10.30-11.00 | Coffee break |
| 11.00-12.30 | Workshop 1: CEFR-aligned curriculum &  implementation of CEFR  Language(s): IS & E | Workshop 2: Assessment issues  Language(s): IS & E | Workshop 3:  "Ambassador workshop”  Language(s): IS | 11.00-12.00 | Continuation of Reports from WS 1-4 & Discussion |
| 12.30-14.00 | Lunch | | | 12.00-13.30 | Lunch |
| 14.00-15.30 | Repetition WS 1  Language(s): IS & E | Repetition WS 2  Language(s): IS & E | Workshop 4: how teams work together to change the curriculum | 13.30-15.30 | Decisions and next steps |
| 15.30-16.00 | Coffee break | | | 15.30-16.00 | Coffee break |
| 16.00-16.30 | Summary of the day, short reports from workshops | | | 16.00-17.00 | Closing |
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| 19.00-20.00 | Reception in the City Hall | | |

IS International Sign E English

1. http://www.ecml.at/F5/tabid/867/language/en-GB/Default.aspx [↑](#footnote-ref-1)