

The kickoff meeting of the R3L+ project took place in Munich, 10-12 December 2009. On the occasion of the event the partners presented their learning networks. Furthermore a set of core criteria for the analyis of learning regions and cities was discussed, and an agenda for field research has been set up accordingly.

During Saturday the partners analyzed the current debate on quality assurance in VET, with a view to valuing CQAF and EQARF in adult education and possible implementations in the course of local learning networks, such as learning regions and cities.

The results later on were discussed with experts from the *Eurolocal* project, which is promoted by the University of Glasgow and currently is developing a pan-European inventory of tools, materials and learning opportunities on learning regions under the transversal strand of the European Lifelong Learning Programme.

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