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## Newsletter on Tools for Learning

*This Newsletter aims to inform and involve social workers, youth leaders and trainers in the Tools for Learning strategy.*

### Issue 4/2011

Dear readers,

In this fourth issue we would like to:

- Inform you about the **TOOL FAIR VI in Estonia;**
- Update you on the developments in the Tools for learning strategy
- Ask you to help us to map the journey of tools for learning
- Invite you to taste a Tool for Learning

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## TOOL FAIR in ESTONIA

The 6th edition of the Tool Fair, continuing with the consolidated format of this activity offers a combination of "laboratory" and "market" to discover and experience tools for learning developed under the European Union YOUTH IN ACTION programme. It will be a space to share, to experiment, to discuss and further develop tools for learning developed in youth field activities.

### This year the Tool Fair has a particular focus on CULTURE:

- Cultural awareness and intercultural learning are key elements of European youth programmes. What are the new approaches and educational challenges on intercultural learning? How are the tools for learning responding to these challenges?
- How are cultural activities being used as tools for learning in youth work and youth projects?
- Where are the potentials to use culture to foster cross-sectorial approach when addressing youth related issues?
- How can youth work and its tools for learning profit from and support the so called youth sub-cultures?

The Prep Meeting took place in April... The Tool Fair is getting ready... Get ready to participate in it!!! Read more:

<http://www.salto-youth.net/about/events/saltotoolfair/toolfair2011/>

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## Developments of the Tools for Learning Strategy

In this section we will inform you about the developments of the Tools for Learning Strategy.

The first meeting of the new working group took place in April. The basis for the work in the coming years was set.

The most relevant outcomes were:

- An ambitious proposal for improving the **ToolBox**; for a more precise and complete description of tools and a differentiated space for sharing on their use and transferability. This re-structuring of the ToolBox will take place gradually according to current technical and financial possibilities. We will keep you updated.
- The planning of a publication on "**What is a Tool for Learning?**". It will be based on the inputs from experts in the previous editions of the Tool Fair and will serve to consolidate the educational and conceptual achievements so far.
- Suggestions, ideas and new synergies to continue improving the Tool Fair

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## Help us to map the journey of tools for learning

Do you remember?

Last year we prepared a fairly consistent working definition of Tools for learning and we identified four areas of quality their objectives, their consistency, their contribution to change and their innovation. The identification of quality criteria in those areas is not finished but the evaluation of the tools explored in the last edition of the Tool Fair gave us quite a lot of elements.

Also the quality of Tools for learning is as well depends as well on how the tools are born (normally in an activity), how they are described (reports, tool box), used by others, adapted and transferred to other contexts.

You probably have some experience and stories of that... A tool that was thought up in a certain way and years later has a different face? Any successful adaptation of a tool of the Tool Box? The same tool used in two different ways? A "old tool" re-discovered by a new generation?

Please, share those with us. We want to collect them, to map the different journeys of the tools for learning, reflect on their quality development and on the factors for success.

Send them by e-mail to: [toolforlearning@gmail.com](mailto:toolforlearning@gmail.com)

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## Tasting a Tool for Learning

Are you interested in exploring more the concept of **Dialogue**?

"Dialogue Group" aims to explore, practice and reflect on one among many theories related to Dialogue as perceived and suggested by "Dialogue Group".

Here the link...

[http://www.salto-youth.net/tools/toolbox/find-a-tool/702.html?  
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31&search=&pagerCurrentOffset=8](http://www.salto-youth.net/tools/toolbox/find-a-tool/702.html?&type_id[1]=1&date_from=2003-05-01&date_to=2011-05-31&search=&pagerCurrentOffset=8)

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