

JOINT NETWORK MEETING

THE FUTURES OF ADULT EDUCATOR(S): AGENCY, IDENTITY AND ETHOS

2nd ESREA|ReNAAdET meeting &
4th TQF Seminar of the VET & CULTURE NETWORK
9-11 November 2011
University of Tallinn, Estonia

Invitation for opinion papers

Theme

The theme of this joint meeting reflects the scope of both networks. This year's meeting focuses on the future or the futures of adult educators in respect to issues of developing their identities and professional status, issues of networking and/or unionizing and collaborating among different "types" of adult educators and related staff in adult education in general, and issues of power and authority in the adult-educator interaction.

A limited number of papers will be presented. Interested contributors may choose –but are not limited to– from the following shortlist of sub-themes:

- Perceptions of adult educators: by adults-students, policy makers and in public.
- Theoretical, political and practical discourses on adult educators: the future of adult education as an academic field.
- Context and environment of adult education and different "types" of adult educators.
- Ownership of the adult educators' profession and professional borders: is there a professional future for adult educators?
- Learning, becoming, being and growing as professional adult educator, including issues of ageing and gender.

Submission of paper proposals

The **deadline** for submitting an **OPINION PAPER** (a draft) is **27 June 2011**. Opinion papers should be sent as an attached file [either in *.doc, *.docx, or *.pdf format]. They should not exceed one A4 or 1500 words, include a title and keywords, but not the author/s name/s, affiliation or institution/s. Full name, institutional affiliation, phone number/s and postal details should be included in the email accompanying the proposal.

Please submit opinion papers by the deadline to the following e-mail addresses: esrea.renadet@yahoo.com and anja.heikkinen@uta.fi.

All proposals will be blind reviewed by the scientific committee. Acceptance will be confirmed by **August 31st 2011**. Selected full papers will be asked for by the scientific committee after the meeting.

Accommodation

A booking arrangement for 35 guests has already been made by Larissa Jõgi at the **Nordic Hotel Forum** (€74 per night for a single room including breakfast). Paper presenters and participants need to make the reservation themselves through the Hotel's website: <http://www.nordichotels.eu/>

Venue

The meeting will open (9th November 2011) at the Tallinn University (<http://www.tlu.ee>) and the 10th & 11th November 2011 it will take place in the center of old town at the Tallinn Teachers House (<http://www.opetajatemaja.ee/?mod=gal3&gg=2&gal=11&h=88>). Information about Tallinn can be found at: <http://www.tallinn2011.ee/eng>

Participation fee will be announced very soon.

A limited number of ESREA bursaries will be available to PhD students.

**Details and updates can be found at:
the ESREA | ReNAAdET website <http://www.esrea-renadet.net/>
and the VET & CULTURE NETWORK website
<http://www.peda.net/veraja/uta/vetculture>**