

“TESTING AND ASSESSMENT”

Friday 21st and Saturday 22nd of February 2020
Georg-August-Universität Göttingen / ZESS / Goßlerstr. 10 / D-37073 Göttingen

- **Workshop 1: Criteria for good language tests**
- **Workshop 2: Assessment rubrics for speaking and writing**
- **Workshop 3: *CEFR Companion Volume* (CEFR/CV) sample tasks for language learning and testing**
- **followed by: Focus Group meeting**

On Friday, 21st, and Saturday, 22nd of February 2020, the CercleS Focus Group “Language Testing & Assessment” will offer three hands-on workshops on language testing. We invite language teachers, test developers and examiners at university language centres to take part in these workshops, share their experience with the participants and contribute to the development of useful tools for language testing and assessment at our individual centres.

Friday, February 21st, 9:00 to 13:00 hrs:

Workshop “Criteria for good language tests”

In this workshop we will develop a checklist of useful criteria for the development of high quality language tests for use in university language testing. The aim of this workshop is to provide a useful tool for language test developers and thus to increase the quality of language tests at university language centres in Europe.

Friday, February 21st, 15:00 to 19:00 hrs:

Workshop “Assessment rubrics for speaking and writing”

In this workshop we will analyse and compare existing rubrics for speaking and writing and then develop guidelines and model rubrics that participants can adapt to their individual institutional needs. The aim of this workshop is to provide useful tools for examiners in order to harmonise testing procedures and increase the comparability of language tests across Europe.

Saturday, February 22nd, 9:00 to 13:00 hrs:

Workshop “*CEFR Companion Volume* (CEFR/CV) sample tasks for language learning and testing”

In this workshop we will first present the outcomes of the UNICert / NULTE project within the framework of the Council of Europe’s initiative to implement the ideas of the *CEFR Companion Volume* in language teaching and testing. We will then develop meaningful tasks for teaching and testing in the area e.g. of mediation, online interaction, intercultural communication, transferable skills and plurilingualism to be added to the existing database. The outcomes of this project will contribute to a report for the Council of Europe.

Saturday, February 22nd, 14:00 to 17:00 hrs:

Meeting of CercleS Focus Group “Language Testing & Assessment”

After two days of workshop we will reflect on the outcomes, analyse the needs, develop ideas for future initiatives and plan further activities. This will include assigning tasks and responsibilities and drafting a workplan for the future of this focus group.

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