PROFILES co-operative networking

PROFILES offers interested members of the education community the opportunity to take part in the **PROFILES project network**. Examples to be promoted through the network include discussing teaching ideas, exchanging teaching materials, promoting best practice, offering **needs-driven seminars**, workshops and exhibitions at a local, regional, national and international level.



You can contact the PROFILES project network via:

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Contact:

PROFILES is a project network set up across Europe and beyond European borders. The network consists of 21 partner institutions from 19 countries, among them institutions in ...



The **PROFILES project group** can be reached via: www.profiles-project.eu



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PROFILES professional training

Interested teachers will be given the opportunity to enhance their professionalism in a collaborative, needs-driven setting through becoming familiar with the PROFILES approach by:

- adapting and using PROFILES teaching materials in their teaching,
- taking part in locally and regionally organised PROFILES teacher training workshops/seminars,
- participating in PROFILES long-term teacher professional development courses which concentrate on promoting teacher self-
- efficacy of IBSE teaching, leading to teacher ownership of motivational strategies to enhance students' scientific literacy,
- being actively involved in the PROFILES project network and in guiding other science teachers to be aware of the PROFILES concept.
- visiting one of the (international) PROFILES conferences in Berlin ...

The PROFILES team is looking forward to you and your active participation!

For more information about the PROFILES Team visit:

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PROFILES reflection oriented focus

The focus of the PROFILES project lies on reflection oriented teaching. Emphasis is put on the promotion of the teachers' scientific as well as pedagogical and educational competencies, as identified by the teacher, especially in IBSE and approaches that promote this.



First, the preferred training interests of the participating teachers will be ascertained by use of the so-called Gateway method. These interests and needs of the teachers will be the basis for repeatedly organised training sessions in which IBSE related, student motivational teaching alternatives are developed and tried out in the classroom setting through co-operative sessions, supported by a PROFILES leader.



PROFILES inquiry-based learning

A central focus of the PROFILES project is the philosophy of "Education through Science" which can be interpreted to mean:

"Education as the learning focus, approached through Science as the vehicle"

PROFILES lessons ...

- reflect the affinities and needs of the students,
- include subjects of students' everyday life,
- age-appropriately deepen understanding of central concepts of science,
- cross interdisciplinary borders,
- incorporate "Inquiry-Based Science Education" (IBSE) approaches, ensuring development of students' scientific problem solving abilities,
- reinforce learning in competency domains and cross-curriculum topics, as determined by National Education Standards in many European countries,
- quide students to reflect and make justified decisions in a socio-scientific setting,
- aim to promote intrinsically motivated learning beyond the classroom ...



