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Two important meetings in the ETAG office in Tbilisi



In mid-November two important meetings were held in ETAG Tbilisi office. On November 19, Mr Errold Frank, the Regional English Language Officer, visited ETAG and had a fruitful meeting with the head of ETAG Manana Rusieshvili and ETAG trainers. On November 23, ITAFEL new President Ms Carol Read visited ETAG and met the ETAG board members. At both

meetings ETAG representatives discussed possible initiatives regarding ETAG's further cooperation with the Regional English Language Office and with ITAFEL.

New brief courses for you!



As a continuation of the English through Civic Education (ELCE) project 10 of its participants, teachers from different towns of Georgia, designed 5 short and practical training courses. These courses are now available in ETAG offices countrywide and will be delivered by the writers themselves!

So, choose the topic of your interest and get enrolled in these 2-hour, free of charge courses! Hurry up! Professional development makes life more interesting! The workshop titles and the authors names are given below:

1. Assessment: Anna Giorganashvili, Ketevan Barkhudanashvili ,Telavi
2. Critical Thinking: Nino Kandelaki, Miranda Tskhadadze, Kutaisi
3. Student-centered teaching: Inga Gelashvili, Irma Giorgadze, Rustavi
4. Using website resources in the classroom: Lali Kurdadze, Marine Mgebrishvili, Gori
5. Observation: Nino Maisuradze, Nino Mikeladze, Batumi

Developing the next generation of Association leaders.



Giuli Mikeladze ETAG Batumi branch representative participated in the conference "Developing the Next Generation of Association Leaders" in Budapest in October 2013 among the other twelve young board members of professional English Language Teaching associations from eleven countries across Europe. A range of topics were covered during the workshop, including leadership styles and roles; communicating with members and beyond; recruiting and retaining members, budgeting and responsibility etc. As Giuli Mikeladze remarked: "The conference was really very interesting and effective. All the representatives from different countries agreed that after returning home they would share with their association members some of the best practices needed for their organizations to take the next step".

Intensive Course for Teachers of English (ICTE) program Final Conference



As part of a two-year project "English Language through Civic Education" implemented by PH International and ETAG, 30 experienced teachers of English from seven regions of Georgia, mostly where ETAG branches are located, received the qualification of teacher trainers in the U.S. In addition to this, 20 teachers, participants of the Training of Trainers Summer Institute (TOTSI) participated in a Teacher Training Summer Camp. As a final wrap up of these two long- run and important projects, a final conference was held at the Radisson Blue Iveria on November 30- December 1.

ETAG attended the conference as a PH International partner institution. The alumni teachers presented their summer institute and summer camp experiences as well as subsequent work undertaken throughout the follow-on period of the projects in the micro-teaching and poster session format.



A new online practice booklet for the University entrants has been published on the NAEC website www.naec.ge See the booklet and help your students get acquainted with new tasks and requirements for the English language test for entrants in 2014.



Season's Greetings and Best Wishes for the Coming Year!

Dear ETAG members!

One of the real joys of the holiday season is the opportunity to say thank you, wishing you and your family joyous and merry Christmas and New Year of Happiness and Success and hoping we continue our cooperation through many more wonderful years ahead.

With best regards,



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