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Dear EPiC TLC Community,

as some of us are getting ready to enjoy summer vacation and others are busy with examination periods at our universities, we hope the Newsletter will support all of your endeavors. Enjoy the news below and the inspiring international community in teaching and learning that we have in EPiCUR. Depending on what you need (diversity is our strength!): May your summers be filled with times of calm or adventure, cities or solitudes, inspiration or structuring, and mountain or sea air ☺. All of these will bring us back together in the fall, to start enthusiastically into the “new (university) year”.

Dorthe Wuk-Nieshoff & Lisa Hütter-Pape

International education collaboration at the EPiCUR Forum 2025 in Odense

On June 2 & 3, colleagues from across the EPiCUR alliance came together in Odense, Denmark at the wonderfully organised annual EPiCUR Forum to collaborate on *Sustainable Transformation*. Through inspiring keynotes, exploratory sessions, workshops and – equally important – the “in-official” meeting opportunities for coffee, dinner and city exploration, ideas for new collaborative teaching and learning opportunities were co-created. We are looking forward to seeing these beautiful seeds coming to fruition! To “reload” the inspiration from the Forum, you can review and download workshop slides and look at photos of our joint event in the EPiC TLC. When logged in, you can access the Forum documentation space via this directlink: https://learn.epicur.education/goto_epicur_fold_35860.html (or find it in the area “Let’s Connect”).

Benefit from Teaching Development Support!

To develop your international learning offers, you can make use of EPiCUR resources! Access the **CoTeachConnector** to find educators at EPiCUR partner universities to collaborate with to create courses, summer schools, Whether you are looking for a colleague to co-develop or co-teach a new course with or want to find a guest lecturer for your class: Share your searches and find peers for teaching collaborations across the EPiCUR alliance. If you would like us to share your search for collaborators with the EPiC TLC community, please email us at tlc@epicur.edu.eu so we can announce your search in an upcoming Newsletter.





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Once you have found collaborators, we can provide you with a shared virtual space for co-designing your joint learning offer: **CoTeachLabs** in the EPiC TLC are closed group spaces designed to support you in your collaborative work, i.e., to help you plan and manage your co-teaching project efficiently. You can store and share materials, collaborate on documents (ppt, word etc.) in real-time, access a shared videoconferencing with only one click and communicate seamlessly all in one place. If you'd like us to set up a CoTeachLab, email us: tlc@epicur.edu.eu.

To receive expert support for your teaching development endeavours, you can also find contact information for teaching support units at your university on the right hand side of the EPiC TLC's "home" area.

Few spaces left: Join us for “Defying Gravity” Staff Week in September!

Last chance to register: Visit the University of Freiburg and collaborate with international colleagues, Sept. 15-19! Together, we want to explore ways to overcome barriers to create international teaching and learning opportunities for students and staff alike. Through collaboration, innovation, and the strategic use of administrative tools, we'll figure out how to set up impactful international learning and teaching opportunities. A few seats are reserved for EPICUR colleagues like you (beyond the official deadline June 30). Email marei.nagy@zv-freiburg.de if you'd like to join! More info: <https://www.international.uni-freiburg.de/en/international-staff-week>

Your thoughts on improving (your) teaching in English?

Are you interested in teaching in English? Together with two Educational Sciences graduate students at the University of Freiburg, we are currently developing an e-learning course on English Medium Instruction (EMI) – and we'd love to hear your thoughts! **English Medium Instruction (EMI)** refers to the teaching of academic subjects in English in contexts where English is not the first language. The focus is not on teaching the English language to students but rather on English being used as the language of instruction for any educational content. Please take ~3 minutes to complete the anonymous survey and help us tailor the e-learning course to meet the real needs of educators like you: https://learn.epicur.education/goto_epicur_svy_35899.html

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