

## Acer-European Schoolnet educational netbook pilot

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### The netbook pre-pilot evaluation phase has started!

All the teachers involved in the implementation of the pre-pilot phase in the 59 schools from January to May 2010 are asked to send in their opinions and feedback regarding the use of netbooks in their class.

The evaluation aims to provide valuable information not just on the use of netbooks in educational settings but also on the organisation of the pre-pilot. By sending their feedback the teachers can help us to improve the implementation of the full pilot starting in September 2010.

The evaluation questionnaire is now available online in English, French, Italian and Turkish (Spanish and German versions will be made available briefly). The teachers are asked to submit their feedback latest by 3 June 2010.

→ Read more about evaluation: <http://www.netbooks.eun.org/web/acer/evaluation>

#### Questionnaires:

→ EN: <http://www.zoomerang.com/Survey/WEB22ANTR9R3QQ>

→ IT: <http://www.zoomerang.com/Survey/WEB22APYNQFM4D>

→ TR: <http://www.zoomerang.com/Survey/WEB22AQDFVPEWH>

→ FR: <http://www.zoomerang.com/Survey/WEB22AQDN9PJT3>

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### Two Spring Day scenarios for 1:1 computing available

We have prepared two different 1:1 pedagogical scenarios to be used in your class. 1:1 netbook scenarios highlight the fact that the learners have netbooks available at all times, taking advantage of blended learning approach alternating online and offline activities as well as individual and collaborative ones. More scenarios will be planned throughout the project.

→ More about 1:1 pedagogy: <http://www.netbooks.eun.org/web/acer/1to1pedagogy>



The two available scenarios are developed in the framework of the “Spring Day 2010” campaign. Spring Day for Europe is an annual campaign running from 22 March to 30 June 2010 and open to all primary and upper secondary schools across Europe. Each year Spring Day for Europe follows a special focus. This year the campaign is dedicated to “European Citizenship and Fundamental Rights”. The Spring Day initiative draws student attention to key economic, social and political issues.

The scenarios we have prepared for you are:

#### 1 - Becoming teacher for 1 day:

Students form small groups to work on “Spring Day 2010” material to introduce European themes into lessons in an innovative and creative way. The activity will allow a group of pupils to become teachers

who will prepare their own lesson material and deliver it to the other pupils in the same class or even in the same school. Optionally family members and friends can attend the presentation and/or the class can participate in the Spring Day 2010 competition.

→ <http://www.netbooks.eun.org/web/acer/spring-day-scenarios> (available in EN, FR, IT, ES, TR, DE)

## 2 - Big Quiz:

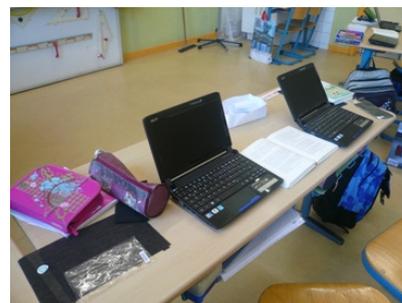
Older students will look for information on one of the selected topics, prepare a presentation for younger pupils and make a quiz where the younger pupils participate. The themes are according to the Spring Day 2010 topics: Citizenship & the Lisbon Treaty; Social exclusion and combating poverty; Climate change, and Biodiversity. It is also possible to submit the quiz and the results of the activity to the Spring Day website.

→ <http://www.netbooks.eun.org/web/acer/spring-day-scenario-2> (available in English)

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## Netbooks in action: German launch and school visits

The German launch of the netbook pre-pilot took place in the Friedrich Myconius school in Gotha on 27 April 2010. All the ten Acer netbook classes are within a close proximity of Gotha, in the region of Thuringen. This allowed for a face-to-face launch event, where about 20 teachers attended representing all the schools.



The launch event was opened by the school head Mme Barbel Bombach after which the EUN's netbook team, Anja Balanskat and Riina Vuorikari, presented the details of the pilot. After that, the German pedagogical coordinator Ringo Plöger guided the discussion into details about technical and pedagogical support.

The event was combined with two school visits on the following day. For the EUN netbook team it was exciting to visit the schools! A lot of preparation has taken place since January when the project started and the school visits offered an opportunity to see the netbooks "in action": used by pupils in a class. The visits took place in Friedrich Myconius and Burgenlandenschule schools.

→ For more pictures see the netbook picture gallery:

[http://www.flickr.com/photos/european\\_schoolnet/sets/72157623871718139/](http://www.flickr.com/photos/european_schoolnet/sets/72157623871718139/)

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## Interested in knowing more about 1:1 computing in education?

We have gathered links to different sources of information for you to read more about 1:1 computing. You find the links in the 1:1 pedagogy section on the netbooks website and at our Delicious account:

Website: <http://delicious.com/netbookpilot/1%3A1computing>

Delicious: <http://www.netbooks.eun.org/web/acer/1to1pedagogy>

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