



## University Recognition of Prior Learning Centres: Making Lifelong Learning a Reality

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**Venue:** Jagiellonian University, Faculty of Management and Social Communication

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Before our very eyes, the knowledge society is evolving in the direction of the learning society. It is no longer enough to adapt curricula to the needs of the current economic and social environment – a mere adjustment of didactic forms simply will not prove sufficient. What has become unequivocally essential is an elaboration of tools for an effective support of the growth of the individual by means of paving flexible paths for their personal development.

Recognition of prior learning is gaining more importance in the tertiary education system. Thanks to RPL, the number of adults returning to formal higher education system may significantly increase. With the recognition and certification of learning outcomes acquired in informal and non-formal ways, they can feel motivated to start learning within the tertiary education framework. Thus, owing to recognition of prior learning, the concept of lifelong learning ceases to be a mere fair idea and becomes an effective tool for the development of a learning society.

The aim of the conference is to promote the idea of Lifelong Learning (LLL) and Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL) in higher education among Polish and European stakeholders. The conference is a part of the European project financed by the Leonardo da Vinci Transfer of Innovation program: „University Recognition of Prior Learning Centres - Bridging Higher Education with Vocational Education and Training” [www.u-rpl.eu](http://www.u-rpl.eu).

Day I		
Time	Topic	Speakers
11.00-17.00	ERPL Network meeting	TBC - Raul Ranne, ERPL Network members
Day II		
8.00-14.00	<b>Plenary session</b>	
RPL in the world	European programs - tools for building networks supporting LLL	<b>Mirosław Marczewski</b> , General Director, Polish Foundation for the Development of the Education System
	LLL and RPL. Experiences and challenges of building efficient systems which support Lifelong Learning	Professors <b>Pascal Lafont &amp; Marcel Pariat</b> , UPEC
	Managing RPL centre in higher education institution - examples of Cork Institute of Technology and Edinburgh Napier University	<b>Deirdre Goggin</b> , Cork Institute of Technology <b>Jamie Brogan</b> , Edinburgh Napier University
	Promotion of RPL in the Netherlands: how to get all stakeholders involved	<b>Patrick Leushuis</b> , Dutch Ministry of Education, Culture & Science
Challenges of Polish LLL and RPL systems	RPL in Polish Qualifications System	Dr <b>Agnieszka Chłoń-Domińczak</b> , Institute for Educational Research
	Legal conditions for Recognition of Prior Learning in Polish HEIs	Professor <b>Daria Nałęcz</b> , Deputy Minister, Polish Ministry of Science and Higher Education
	University RPL centre at the Jagiellonian University in Kraków	Professor <b>Grażyna Praweńska-Skrzypek</b> Dr <b>Beata Jałocha</b> URPL Project
<b>14.00-15.00</b>	<b>Lunch</b>	
<b>15.00-16.30</b>	<b>Workshops</b>	
<b>15.00-15.45</b>	<b>RPL development in higher education.</b> Chair: Ninoslav Šćukanec Nina Vranešević IDE, Marta Wiekiera Jagiellonian University	<b>RPL procedures and qualifications of RPL assessors</b> Chair: TBC
<b>15.45-16.30</b>	<b>Promotion of RPL solutions and cooperation with employers</b>  Chair: Anna Atłas, Director of the LLL program, Foundation for the Development of the Education System & Raul Ranne, Archimedes Foundation	<b>How to develop e-portfolio in RPL process. Presentation of the online tool which supports e-portfolio preparation. (computer workshop)</b>  Trainers: Aleksandra Mykowska & Elwira Waszkiewicz, Dom Szkoleń i Doradztwa (partner of the TRAILER project)
<b>16.30-17.00</b>	<b>Closing session</b>	