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Happy
Teacher's
Day



EDITOR'S NOTE

Dear HUPE friends,

I hope you have all started the new school year with enthusiasm and love for the job, as you have always, despite the situation our country and the rest of the world find themselves in.

You're doing the best and the most beautiful job on the planet, and for that **THANK YOU!**

HAPPY WORLD TEACHER'S DAY just keep up the good work! As always.

Yours, Lidija

HUPE News

We are proud to invite you to 23rd Annual HUPE Conference in Solaris, Šibenik from 24 to 26 April 2015, with these two plenary speakers (so far) Evelina Miščin (Croatia) and Rosa Aronson (TESOL). The details will be available on www.hupe.hr.

Follow the link for submitting the workshop in our Workshop pool:
<http://www.hupe.hr/index.php/en/branches/workshop-pool-form>

HUPE Branches

HUPE OSIJEK

Sara Salatić, the president

The meetings are announced for October and December at the Faculty of Philosophy in Osijek, with these speakers: Ivan Zubac: 'Roman Britain' (October) and Ksenija Benčina/ Emily Drača/ Mirna Kurtović: 'Having a FOMO? Got Schwasted with Your Frenemies? Well, YOLO!' (December). All the details will be available at www.hupe.hr and in our next Newsletter. More info: hupe.osijek@gmail.com

HUPE VARAŽDIN

Vida Novak, the president

The meeting will be held on October 9, 2014 in 1. Osnovna škola in Varaždin. The HUPE meeting will be a part of the Education and Teacher Training Agency's meeting, so this is a good way to cooperate on other levels, as well. There will be given all the information about HUPE in general, about upcoming HUPE Conference and the invitation to become a member, of course. Dijana Mateša from Koprivnica will give workshop called 'Drama in the classroom'.

More info: hupe.varazdin@gmail.com

HUPE ZAGREB

Željka Jakušić Čejka, the president

The first HUPE Zagreb Branch meeting will be held in mid October with Dijana Mateša ('Let's drama' workshop) and Ana Galac ('English in Town' presentation). Our members will be notified in time. For more details: hupe.zagreb@gmail.com

HUPE SPLIT

Alenka Miljević, the president

All the details about the first HUPE Split Branch meeting will be available at hupe.split@gmail.com. There will be a topic on Erasmus+ programme and the meeting will be held at the end of October or beginning of November, depending on our speakers.



HUPE Slavonski Brod Branch Meeting Report

Mirta Kos Kolobarić, the president

The first HUPE Slavonski Brod Branch meeting in this school year was held on **September 26, 2014** at 5 p.m. in **Secondary School of Economics** in Slavonski Brod. Only 7 people were present at the meeting, but the working atmosphere and the enthusiasm of the teachers present at the meeting was great, as always.



Our guest was **Mr Eric Bergman**, who ran a workshop ***Diversity In and Out of the Classroom: Difference as a Learning Opportunity***. He emphasized the importance of encouraging diversity not only in the classroom, but also in students' everyday life. He presented the ways in which students social skills could be developed towards tolerance and acceptance of diversity. In this way we can successfully prepare our students for their future life in the globalized world.



Our colleagues **Suzana Mihelčić Jelinić** and **Irena Vragolović** ran a workshop entitled ***Osvrt na HUPE konferenciju***. They presented the most engaging workshops they had a chance to attend in Opatija in April this year, as well as numerous activities they did in these workshops.

Our next meeting will be held in November 2014.

HUPE Rijeka

The first HUPE Rijeka Branch meeting was held on 4 October 2014 at Dom Mladih Rijeka. The 19 teachers in attendance were presented with the annual plan of Branch activities, but the focus of the meeting was on the skill which covers 45% of our communication - listening. Evelina Miščin showed us how to develop our students'



listening skills in a predominantly audio-visual world of shortened attention span. The workshop was a success and the speaker received only the highest grades in feedback forms. Even though it was a sunny Saturday morning, none of the 19 teachers minded a little quality learning.

We're all looking forward to November and our second meeting!

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

8th ELTAM-IATEFL-TESOL International Biannual Conference

October 31 - November 2 2015
Skopje, Republic of Macedonia
www.eltam.org.mk

22nd International IATEFL Slovenia Conference 2015

"Adopt, adapt, improve"
5 - 8 March 2015
Terme Topolšica, Slovenia
www.iatefl.si

49th Annual International IATEFL Conference and Exhibition

11 - 14 April 2015
Manchester Central, Manchester, UK
www.iatefl.org



Have you done an online course yet?

Moderated or self-access, British Council online courses for teachers of English offer a wealth of opportunities for professional development from the comfort of your own home. This autumn we've got a **new self-access** online course called *Learning Technologies for Business English Teachers* available on our Teaching English website (<http://www.teachingenglish.org.uk/teacher-training>), where you can also find information about some other self-access training courses we offer, including *Special Educational Needs*, *Learning Technologies for the Classroom* and *Steps to Success*.

However, if you prefer moderated courses, with a group of like-minded colleagues and fixed start and end dates, we are offering them too, both globally and regionally. Find out more (<http://www.britishcouncil.hr/en/teach/online-courses>) or get in touch at English@britishcouncil.hr if you have any additional questions.

Exploring English - British Council online course for learners

It is not only online courses for teachers of English that we have – we also have a course for learners of English called **Exploring English: language and culture**. Although the course started on 1 September, you and your students can still join the world's biggest English class for **free**. Find out more (<https://www.futurelearn.com/courses/explore-english-language-culture>) and register now. The course finishes on 12 October.

Teaching English website

If committing to an online course is not really your thing, but you still welcome professional help and materials in your everyday teaching, please make sure you visit our Teaching English website for some fresh materials and ideas, be it new lesson plans (<http://www.teachingenglish.org.uk/teaching-kids>) for those teaching young learners aged 5–11 or teaching teens articles (<http://goo.gl/150uP8>) that will help you liven up your teenage classes. To make sure that you don't miss anything, sign up to our regular Teaching English newsletter (<http://www.teachingenglish.org.uk/newsletter>)

Missed HUPE conference this year?

If so, then you have also missed a free copy of Jamie Keddie's Videotelling DVD provided by the British Council. This DVD introduces teachers to the use of storytelling for the development of learners' language skills. You will find all you need to take videotelling into the classroom. If you would also like a copy, just send us a message at English@britishcouncil.hr with your details (name, surname and postal address) and we will send you one (while the stock lasts). We look forward to hearing from you!

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10 reasons why I loved HUPE 2014

(there are more but not enough space)

by Aleksandra Popovski Golubovikj, ELTAM General secretary

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1. I have always thought of Croatia as my second home country (the first one being Bosnia and Herzegovina where I was born and the third one Macedonia where I currently live) because my mom was born in a small village near Zadar and she grew up in Vinkovci. I used to spend all of my summers until I was 16 in Vinkovci drinking Jupi and Cockta and helping my grandfather in his vegetable garden. It felt good to be back after so many years.
2. HUPE was the only conference in the region that I hadn't attended before so my suitcase had been packed since January, if I remember correctly.
3. The organizing committee did such a great job in terms of communication with the participants and the public before the conference using HUPE's web site, FB page and email.
4. The conference venue was perfect and I even got a room with a view.
5. Excellent plenary speakers and presenters who talked about old and new things and offered a lot of food for thought.
6. People, people, people - some familiar faces in the crowd and many new ones. I met Dajana Vukadin on the bus to Opatija and it turned out we both came from Sarajevo and our dads used to work together. Small world, right?!
7. London Calling
8. Amazing Saturday night with the Big Fat Movie Quiz. Allow me to be a bit modest and say - I won a tablet and my team *Mixed Abilities* won the Quiz!!!
9. I delivered my *Visualizing Reading* workshop for the first time and it was great, if I may say so.
10. People, people, people!!!!

HUPE, keep up the great work! You have a strong team with highly committed people who are willing to spend hours and hours organizing a conference or an event just to show the English language teachers in Croatia that they matter.