

- The general objective of the project is to promote the social inclusion of the immigrants in EU's societies.
- The specific objective with which the general objective will be achieved is to increase their skills in the language of their host country.

According to the opinion of the partnership, given the reluctance of the immigrants to attend formal and non formal courses, the most effective way to achieve this objective is the promotion of informal language learning methodologies and their adaptation to the specific needs of the immigrants.

Therefore, **the main aim of the project is to develop a methodology of informal language learning for immigrants by adapting existing informal language learning methodologies (language cafe, TANDEM (R), cyber language cafe) to the specific needs of the immigrants**

This process will be supported by the introduction of a curriculum for these informal language courses (fact which will make the whole process more structured and will facilitate the monitoring of the learners' results) as well as by the identification of existing and freely available suitable supportive materials and the development of additional supportive materials in the occasion that the existing materials are not qualitative enough.

Also, the project aims to create web tools that will support the immigrants in the learning process:

1. an Internet based "Cyber Language Cafe" for immigrants in which language learners and native speakers will be able to communicate through synergetic web 2.0 tools,
2. a bank of resources which will allow users to locate supportive material for learners of native country language categorized on the basis of metadata as to their language, topic and difficulty level,
3. an online language learning community for immigrants where the learners will be able to use communication tools for interacting with other learners as well as with the facilitators that will lead the Language Cafe groups or will participate with them in a Tandem (R) learning session.

Finally, the project aims to develop regionally informal language learning for immigrants' networks that will include all the stakeholders (including volunteers who will work as "buddies" that will support the language learning for immigrants outside the training sessions) in order to promote and facilitate the contacts between them and create a positive snowball effect that will make the whole process self sustainable.