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Strasbourg, 29.05.2009

Digital games in classroom teaching: how do teachers use them?

Date: 5 May 2009

Location: Council of Europe, Strasbourg

Organised by the Council of Europe, European Schoolnet and the Interactive Software Federation of Europe

Description: An international conference to present the results of a groundbreaking new European study, shedding light on how teachers use digital games in the classroom with their pupils for learning purposes. The study covers not just serious games, but also leisure and commercial games, and was carried out by European Schoolnet, a network of 31 Ministries of Education, commissioned by the Interactive Software Federation of Europe (ISFE).

The study draws on an initial literature review, the results of a survey of 600 teachers across Europe, six case studies, and interviews with policy-makers representing the education systems of eight focus countries – Austria, Denmark, France, Italy, Lithuania, the Netherlands, Spain and the UK.

The conference will be opened by the EU Commissioner for Education, Training, Culture and Youth, Jan Figel, the Director of the Council of Europe programme "Building a Europe for and with Children", Elda Moreno, and a member of the European Parliament, Toine Manders.

[Link to the Programme](#)

Practical information:

- The conference, which is open to the press, will start **at 09.45 am in Room G01** of the Council of Europe Agora building;
- **A short press opportunity** is scheduled at the end of the opening session **at 10.30 am**;
- The entire conferences will be broadcast live on the Council of Europe website at <http://tv.coe.int/webcast>

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