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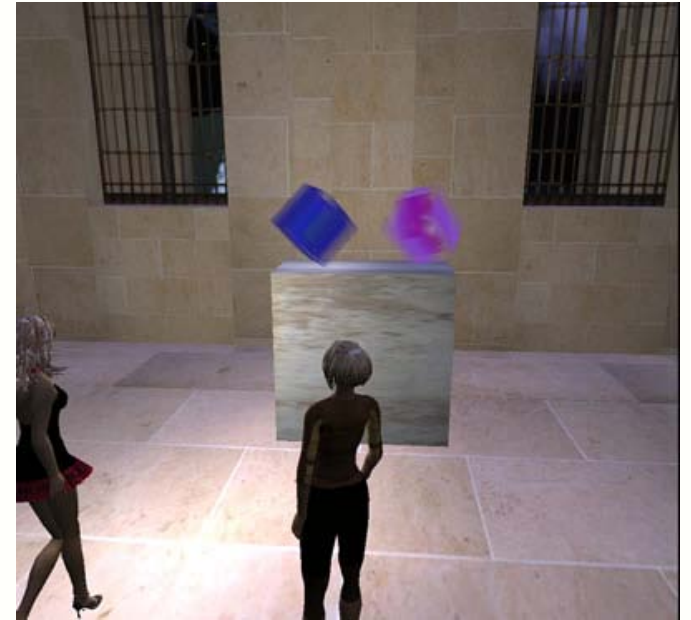
Access to Virtual and Action Learning Live **ON**line

2-year project in the
EC's Lifelong Learning Programme

January 2009 – December 2010

Overview

- The AVALON project
- Business English course



Consortium

- University of Manchester, UK
- University of Vienna, AT
- Talkademy, AT
- Verein Grenzenlos, AT
- ICC Europe International, DE
- LANCELOT School GmbH, DE
- The British Council, ES
- University of Pisa, IT
- Molde University College, NO
- Mid Sweden University, SE



The University
of Manchester



talkademy.org



Motivation

- Big potential of virtual worlds for education
- But not widely used
- To make it widely used:
 - train the trainers
 - gain experience with real students
 - deal with technical issues

Students' courses

- Debating Course, Speaking Skills Course
- Italian for beginners
- Business English (with project)
- Catering Tandem
- Business Talk
- North Sami



Output of students' courses

- Reuseable models
- Best practices
- Guidelines for trainers
- Input to the trainer's course



Trainers' courses

- Train all skills, which trainers need:
 - technical basics
 - classroom management
 - course design
 - practical experience
- assisted by Moodle



Technology

- 3D/2D integration → Sloodle
- repository for 3D-content
- plugin for supporting ,teasers‘ for interested people

SLOODLE
*Simulation Linked Object Oriented
Dynamic Learning Environment*

Coming next

- Community building / community events
- More student courses: Catering Tandem, North Sami, 2nd round of Business English
- Trainer course
- Evaluation



Thank you for your attention!

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Welcome to the community site of the AVALON project, www.avalonlearning.eu

Events

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Latest Activity

Graham Stanley added a discussion
[Looking for Mentors for the Business English course](#)
on Monday

HL updated their profile
on Sunday

Forum

Urgent – Looking for Mentors for the Bus course!
Started by Graham Stanley in [Admin](#) Nov 18.

Is Holodeck editing a future language te
13 Replies
Started by Ton Koenraad in [Uncategorized](#) Last reply 9

Please Help for Comparative Study
Started by Klaus in [Uncategorized](#) Oct 21.

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Home

The AVALON project (Access to Virtual and Action Learning live ONLINE) is a two-year project funded by the European Commission as a part of the Education and Culture DG Lifelong Learning Programme. This project aims to:

- create and test out exemplar tasks and activities designed to promote communication amongst the learning community. These materials will be based on work being carried out currently and these tasks and activities will be located in linked 2 & 3D environments and will be made available for future users. These will be accompanied by best practice guidelines for the users;
- create and pilot a training course for teachers who would like to extend their



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