



Workshop on adults and digitalisation -

How can we manage the challenges of digitalisation by using change-oriented adult education?

Time: 11 December, 9.00-16.30

Location: G Livelab, Yrjönkatu 3, 00120 Helsinki, Finland

The workshop is built around the following questions:

1. What kind of challenges and problems digitalisation causes for adults, communities and society?
2. What is change-oriented adult education?
3. What examples there are of change-oriented adult education?
4. How can we use change-oriented adult education as a tool to solve these challenges?

The workshop will use interactive methods and digital tools to reflect upon how adult education can help to manage the challenges of digitalisation, and discuss how these practices can be transferred to participants' organisations and countries. At the end of the day, the participants will have an understanding, what is change-oriented adult education and how to use a change-oriented approach in teaching and learning provision, and how it could be taken into account at the policy level.

Registration by 2 December 2019.

Further info and registration on the project webpage: <https://eaea.org/project/future-lab/>

AGENDA

9.00 Morning coffee & tea – Gallery open

Gallery of change-oriented adult education projects, methods and cases will be open during the breaks. Gallery includes e.g. game(s), posters, videos, presenters.

9.30 Welcome words

9.35 Opening, *Anna Mäkipää, Special Adviser for the Finnish Minister of Education*

9.45 Challenges of digitalisation

What kind of challenges and problems digitalisation causes for adults, communities and society?

Group work and discussion. Output from this session will be a description of challenges we need to tackle in adult education.

10.30 Break – Gallery open

10.45 What is change-oriented adult education and why do we need it?

What is change-oriented adult education? How and by whom the need for change (peaceful or radical) is defined? What kind of learning is change-oriented? What other issues we need to think about?

Presentation of change-oriented adult education theories, models and methods. *Jyri Manninen, Professor of Adult and Continuing Education, University of Eastern Finland*

11.30 Light lunch & time to browse the gallery

12.45 Cases of change-oriented adult education

- Health media literacy project & Time Out method, *Anne Tastula, Project Coordinator, Finnish Lifelong Learning Foundation*
How can science fight beliefs in healthcare? We will hear about a project which tries to tackle the issue of false beliefs in medical or alternative treatments in social media. Project has trained future doctors in how to fight the false information in social media and organised discussion events for general public and medical students, using the TimeOut discussion method. Timeout method aims to create more constructive understanding between different perspectives. At best, it generates unpredictable insights and new thinking.
- Elements of Artificial Intelligence, *Megan Schaible, Reaktor*
"Artificial Intelligence is already part of our everyday life, and it is going to have an even bigger impact on every industry and individual in the future. This is why everyone should be given a chance to understand what AI really is and how we can use it. The democratisation of information is important so that everyone has equal opportunity to shape the future".

13.30 Coffee break

13.45 How can we meet the challenges of digitalisation as adult educators?

We'll take the challenges - how digitalisation impacts adults, communities and society - and look for solutions, how change-oriented adult education can be used as a tool to shape these challenges. Group work and discussion.

15.15 Playback – what did we learn today?

A group of theatre actors plays back some of the challenges, stories and conclusions shared during the workshop day. The audience participates by volunteering stories and ideas to enact.

16.15 Conclusions / reflections of the day

16.30 End of workshop

The agenda is subject to changes.

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