

Kristina Gillijns- Biography

Born in 1958 Kristina Gillijns took a master's degree in German and English at the University in Leuven (KUL) in 1980.

She then worked as a secondary school teacher till 1984 when she became a teacher trainer at the vocational university Provinciale Hogeschool Limburg. The target group are teachers in so-called middle schools with pupils aged 12 to 14.

Kristina Gillijns has not only been actively involved in European programmes as a liaison officer for her own department, but also as a staff member of the PHL . She has been a member of the Flemish jury for the Lingua- label now and was also a work leader in seminars organised by the Department of Education within the framework of the Flemish- German Cultural Agreement.

She temporarily worked as an external assessor on the Erasmus programme in the TAO (Technical Assistance Office) in Brussels in 2001.

From 1997 till 2000 she participated in the Lingua- project Mendeval, an acronym for "Mentor Development and Evaluation". The partners of this project did research on the role of the mentor in teacher training. Materials to train these mentors were developed and tried out at an international conference at Oxford University in March 2000. All this material is available on the web.

In the contactseminar in Brugge in November 2002 she met the partners for the Comenius 2.1 "APT" which is an acronym for the "Appraisal for Potential of Teachers".