Handling Stress and Avoiding Burnout

Daily Programme

Monday Introduction and course overview Ice breaking Individual expectations What is stress?

Tuesday Definitions Understanding the stress response (fight/flight versus prolonged stress) Physical, emotional, mental and behavioural symptoms of stress Relation between our thinking and stress

Wednesday Effective and ineffective ways of dealing with stress Relaxation exercises that help to manage stress effectively– part 1 The impact of emotions on teaching and learning ability

Thursday Tools for dealing with disturbing emotions Effects of stress in educational setting Assessing your personal stress triggers Changing not resourceful strategies Self-talk awareness Relaxation exercises – part 2

Friday

How can I be more mindful and resourceful in the classroom? – action plan Summary, course evaluation and closure Cultural excursion in local area

Competences Acquired by Participants

Specific objectives of the seminar are:

Introduce holistic model of stress and raise understanding of stress causes, mechanisms and effects Raise understanding of how stress impacts teaching ability Provide the participants with practical tools for dealing with stress Reduce the consequences of stress (such as poor health, absenteeism, lack of creativity, ineffective communication, inability to focus, more conflicts, etc.) and develop healthy ways of dealing with everyday work demands Prevent burnout syndrome in educators Enhance emotional self-awareness Introduce practical tools for coping with difficult emotions Improve the participants' emotional balance Help the participants to identify their stress triggers and emotional triggers at work context and come up with new, more resourceful strategies Enhance participants ability to relax

Type of Certification of Attendance Awarded

Certificate of attendance including description of training content and time input Europass mobility certificates – to be issued by the applicant's NA