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Workplace Learning SIG in Vancouver, BC

Welcome to the upcoming AERA International Conference in Vancouver, BC Canada. The Workplace Learning SIG has an exciting array of sessions this year. Highlights of the 7 SIG sessions are listed on pages 2 and 3. We look forward to seeing you in beautiful Vancouver!



Greetings from the SIG Program Chair

This year our SIG has seven sessions in the program of the Annual Meeting of the AERA, some of which are co-sponsored by the SIG Career and Technical Education SIG. We re-

ceived 30 paper proposals, of which 3 were transferred from another Division or SIG to our SIG. Of these, there were 2 session proposals, with in total 7 paper proposals, which mean we had

38 paper proposals in total. I would like to thank all colleagues who submitted their work to the SIG. We had 40 volunteers for the review process; we (continued page 3)

SIG Sessions



Please Join us for coffee and discussion at the SIG's Business Meeting Friday April 13th at 6:15 p.m. Vancouver Convention Center 2nd level West Room 219. During the business meeting developments in the SIG and Workplace Learning research are discussed. Reports are given by the SIG officers. The SIG Dissertation Award Winner will be announced by the chair of the Award committee. The business meeting is an open meeting .

1. Title: Assessment, Portfolios and Motivation in Workplace Learning .

Sponsor SIG: Workplace Learning

Scheduled Time: Fri, Apr 13 - 12:00pm - 1:30pm **Building/ Room:** Vancouver Convention Centre, Floor

Second Level - East Room 2&3
[Roundtable Session 4](#)

2. SIG Business Meeting—details on left column. Page 2

3. Social Issues and Content Domains in Workplace Learning

Workplace Learning.

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Scheduled Time: Sat, Apr 14 - 10:35am - 12:05pm **Building/ Room:** Vancouver Convention Centre, Floor Second Level - West Room 221

4. Mathematics, Business, Commerce and Economics Competence in Workplace Learning .

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Scheduled Time: Sat, Apr 14 - 2:15pm - 3:45pm **Building/ Room:** Vancouver Convention Centre, Floor First Level - East Ballroom C
[Roundtable Session 39](#)

5. Workplace Expertise, Subject Matter Expertise and Competence for Sustainable Development in Workplace Learning
Sponsor SIG: Workplace Learning

Scheduled Time: Sun, Apr 15 - 2:15pm - 3:45pm **Building/ Room:** Vancouver Convention Centre, Floor First Level - East

Ballroom C

6. Co-production Practices: Reconfiguring Professional Knowledge and Work

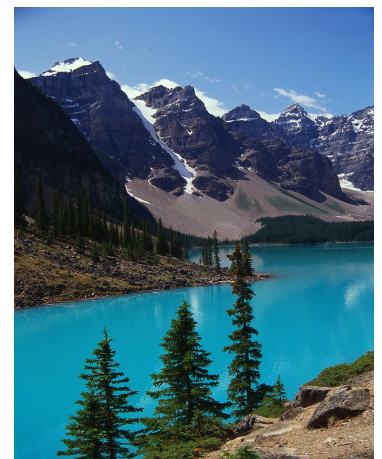
Scheduled Time: Mon, Apr 16 - 10:35am - 12:05pm **Building/ Room:** Vancouver Convention Centre, Floor First Level - West Room 113

7. Research Review and Methods in Workplace Learning
Sponsor SIG: Workplace Learning

Co-Sponsor SIG: Career and Technical

Education

Scheduled Time: Mon, Apr 16 - 12:25pm - 1:55pm **Building/ Room:** Vancouver Convention Centre, Floor First Level - West Room 111&112



Comments From The SIG Program Chair

we invited 10 colleagues from the core of the SIG in our review panel, taking past performance in research into account. The members of the review panel did a great job: they all delivered around 10 reviews before the given deadline, and the time window we had was quite

tight, because I got access to the proposal management system not earlier than August 17 2011.

The next Program Chair should verify access in April 2012 (which I did not, because I was waiting for a heads up from AERA) and not only rely on emails of AERA. I

would like to thank the reviewers for their efforts.

Regarding the formats for proposals, we received only paper and symposium proposals. But there are also structured poster, working group roundtable, demonstration/performance, off-site visit, and workshop sessions. As SIG WPL we might

consider to encourage other submission types. Given the interesting program of the SIG in the 2012 Annual Meeting, I encourage every SIG member to attend the SIG sessions, and I wish all who will attend a good journey to and stay in Vancouver.
Martin Mulder

Some Member's Recent Publications

Brown, J. O. (2011). Dwell in Possibility: PLAR and e-portfolios in the age of information and communication technologies, D. Conrad (Ed.) *The international review of research in open and dis-*

tance learning. Special Issue: Prior, Experiential and Informal Learning in the Age of Information and Communication Technologies 12, (1), 1-23.

Malloch, M., Cairns, L. Evans, K. & O'Connor, B. (2010). (Eds) *The SAGE handbook of workplace learning*. London: Sage Publications, LTD.

Mulder, M. (2010). Competence development in higher agricultural education. M. Slavík & B. Jordánová (Eds). *Teacher training for vocational education in contemporary Europe*. Prague: Czech University of Life Sciences, pp. 25-38. ISBN 978-80-213-2119-9.

Harteis, H., Gruber H., Hertrampf, H. *How episodic beliefs influence e-learning in daily work-life*. Educational Technology and Society. (3): 201-211 (2010)

