

# OPENING TO DOORS

developing learning disabled people's participation in the arts across Europe



Met steun van de  
Vlaamse overheid



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- Cultural Centre Category C
- Specialised in World Music/Comedy
- Spectrum of Creative Courses on offer
- Looking for a supplementary project
- Grundtvig Contactseminar Malta 2006
  - Performing Arts as a Katalyst for Culture

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# Partners

- Headway Theatre Company (UK)
- St. James Cavalier Centre for Creativity (Malta)
- Partners from Lithuania en Denmark didn't get through their national Selection
- French partner didn't enter an application (language barrier?)

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# Goals

- Drama with disabled people
- Weekly sessions for a period of two years
  - Hopefully local partners will carry on afterwards
- Process more important than end result
- Dissemination in Limburg/Flanders
- Online Best Practice Guide

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# Realised Goals So Far

- Coöperation 't Brugske (Local institution for disabled)
- Coöperation Berkenhof (Local institution for disabled)
- Coöperation Wisper (organisation for art and cultural education)
- Blog ([www.grundtvigopeningdoors.blogspot.com](http://www.grundtvigopeningdoors.blogspot.com))
- Weekly sessions
- Contactseminars in B, UK, Malta
- Pressconference (articles HBVL, Nieuwsblad, Weekkrant,...)
- Resonance groups for Parents and professionals

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# 'Festival' Malta

- 28th September 2008 – 1st October 2008
- Workshops, festival, relax time,.....
- Good Organisation -> relaxed trip
- Friends for life
- More than just Drama -> individual progress

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# To be realised by September 2009

- “Festivals” in B, UK
  - Coöperation from other disabled in the institutions
    - Welcoming guests
    - Styling of accommodation
    - ‘Side’-Projects
- Online Best Practice Guide

# Troubles?!

- Partners not making the cut
  - Alterations to the project
- Language
- Convince/Motivate Local Partners
- Organisational Skills?!
- Travelling with disabled
- Finances

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