



## February 2015 CAMELOT Project Newsletter

### Hello everyone

Here is an update in the project from everything that was happening during February 2015.

#### On machinima and CAMELOT

##### PhD defence

On the 12th of February Małgorzata Gawlik-Kobylińska from NDU, has successfully defended her PhD dissertation on *ICT in Education for Security*, supervised by Assoc. prof Capt. Navy (ret.) Piotr Gawliczek. The dissertation concerned various aspects of the implementation of a hybrid teaching methods which combines innovative teaching tools, among others, VR and machinima. The thesis covered four main topics: teaching and learning in Information Society, review of innovative teaching tools, optimization of didactic process, the future of education. *During the main part of the defence, Małgorzata promoted machinima as teaching material vital for illustrating life-threatening situations, which can be taught in English with the CLIL method. It is vital to stress that the presentation issues could be illustrated thanks to courtesy of Christel Schneider who shared the thematic material from Machinevo 2015.*



Final part of the PhD dissertation: *special appreciation* and thanks to Prof. Piotr Gawliczek for the patient guidance, support and his advice.

#### Spot On –Video Interview Tuncer Can

February's interview was with Asst. Prof. Tuncer Can, PhD 2011, from Istanbul University, English Language Teaching Department where he currently lectures. MA completed in 2004 on "Constructivism". In 2005, being granted a Fulbright Scholarship he spent two terms at Syracuse University, NY, USA, where he taught Turkish via videoconferencing. Besides training pre-service language teachers, he has been teaching English to adults at all levels and has organized teacher training courses at the Language Center of Istanbul University since 2007. His research ranges from Constructivist Approach to using

3D Virtual Learning Environments in the context of foreign language learning and instruction.



Presentation slide with machinima shoots in Polish language.



He has also managed and partnered in many projects like “Establishing the Virtual Campus of Istanbul University on 3D VLE,” funded by Istanbul University Research Center and “CAMELOT:CreAting Machinima Empowers Live Online Language Teaching and Learning” funded by European Commission, being the latest. He has been operating <http://www.ingilish.com/> .

**Dissemination Events coming soon:**

Christel Schneider is presenting on behalf of CAMELOT:

1. At VW SIG on EUROCALL/CALICO SIGs 5 March
2. Keynote at the DafWebKon 6 March for more information see the news page: <http://camelotproject.eu/dafwebkon-2015/>
3. There was an Open Euroversity Day also connected with the SIG series, where she be presented Machinima which were filmed on AVALON. This took place on 19<sup>th</sup> February 20:00 CET hosted by Judith Molka-Danielsen (aka Aklom Haifisch) for the Euroversity Association.

There was a tour around the island followed by a discussion about possible ways that organizations can use Avalon for teaching and learning events.

<http://maps.secondlife.com/secondlife/AVALON%20earning/77/224/41>

Ton Koenraad is presenting at the Dutch National bi-annual Conference for Teachers of English -13 March [http://www.nationaalcongresengels.nl/1600\\_1200/](http://www.nationaalcongresengels.nl/1600_1200/) and the National bi-annual Conference for Teachers of French March 20 <http://www.congresfrans.nl/nl-NL/>

CAMELOT is being presented at The Educational Technology Summit by Tuncer Can and Ramazan Zengin in Istanbul on the March 14.

Dr Michael Thomas is presenting at AAAL 2015 in Canada <http://www.aal.org/2015conference>

**CAMELOT inspire teacher trainees to make their own machinima**



Teacher Trainees from Istanbul University produced fantastic machinima under the guidance of Dr Tuncer Can. In an interview with Christel Schneider the students explained the great advantages they see in creating and using machinima in language teaching. They were extremely positive and enthusiastic about the possibilities virtual worlds have to offer for language learning and teaching.

**CAMELOT Webinar Series  
Coming Soon**

James Paul Gee, Arizona State University	11th May 2015	<a href="#">Video, Games, Language Learning and Literacy</a>
Dr. Andreas Lober	27th March 2015	<a href="#">Producing machinima in virtual worlds: What are the legal issues?</a>
Ramazan Zengin, University of Istanbul, Turkey	24th March 2015 20.00 Turkish time	Yabancı Dil Öğretiminde Machinima Kullanımı (in Turkish)
Jana Cepickova, University of West Bohemia, Czech Republic	19th March 2015 15.00 CET	Using Machinima in ESP language lessons
Chris Bailey	13th March	<a href="#">Story Telling in Minecraft</a>

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