

Learnmera CV 2020

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Participating organisation Information

1. Organisation

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2. Profile

Type of Organisation	School/institute/educational center – Adult education
Is your organisation a public body?	no
Is your organisation a non-profit?	no

3. Background and Experience

Please briefly present your organisation (e.g. its type, size, scope of work, areas of specific expertise, specific social context and, if relevant, the quality system used).

Learnmera Oy is a private adult education provider and translation company, focused mainly on corporate clients in the greater Helsinki area providing private executive business language lessons. Courses are offered in the major Nordic and European languages, but also beginner's courses in English, Finnish, Swedish, French, German and Russian are offered. Learnmera Oy has considerable in-house experience in educational resource, website creation and mobile application content building. Their website (TLM) has a member base of around 31,000 teachers worldwide. It is this technical and creative expertise that Learnmera can bring to a project.

Learnmera has also been the coordinator for a national e-learning project and a national m-learning project contracted by The Swedish Cultural foundation in Finland.

Teaching material made by Learnmera can be found (free of charge) in different languages on Scribd.com, TeachersPayTeachers, SlideShare and many other platforms on the Internet.

Other relevant project products are the TOI EU project Info4Migrants portal also developed by Learnmera, www.vardsvenska.fi – Swedish for health care personnel and www.thelanguagemenu.com – Tools for teachers.

What are the activities and experience of your organisation in the areas relevant for this project? What are the skills and/or expertise of key persons involved in this project?

Learnmera Oy is a private adult education provider in the greater Helsinki area providing business language lessons. Courses are in the major Nordic and European languages, as well as beginner's courses in English, Finnish, Swedish, French, German and Russian. The nature of the work means that they teach many migrants and therefore help them with their needs outside the classroom (work, housing, cultural issues etc).

Learnmera Oy has considerable experience in educational resource, website and mobile app content creation. Their website (www.thelanguagemenu.com) has a member base of around 31,000 teachers worldwide. In addition to language training, Learnmera offers translations, proofreading, editing, voice-overs and subtitling for corporations.

Learnmera develops websites, web portals and phone applications for both Android and iOS.

Google Play: <https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.sfi>

iTunes: <https://itunes.apple.com/in/app/svenska-i-finland/id1297874644?mt=8>

Learnmera has extensive experience leading dissemination/valorisation and working with social media for EU project dissemination. The Learnmera staff has worked on over 30 EU and domestic projects. They have worked on several projects involving integration and language learning for immigrants.

The company has been involved in several EU projects, TOI, Justice and Mobility projects since 2008, both as partner and coordinator with excellent reviews from the Finnish NA.

Learnmera presentation <https://prezi.com/hevuijd3ttu0/learnmera-oy-presentation/>

Veronica Gelfgren – Director

A language entrepreneur since 1999, Veronica has worked as an executive language teacher in Swedish, English and Finnish for corporate clients for 20 years. Veronica has taught languages in over 100 institutes, corporations as well as in the third sector. She has developed customized needs-based language training and specializes in creating study materials that can be found online at Scribd.com and other educational websites. She has coordinated and partnered in a dozen domestic and EU language related projects, served as content developer, developed the Vårdsvenska health care portal in Swedish and the Health Lingo phone app as well as proprietary development of The Language Menu, the most extensive multi-lingual (teacher tools) web portal for material creation on the Internet. She was also the external evaluator for TOI project MirrorMirror 2013-2015. She speaks Swedish, English and Finnish.

Akanksha Maurya – IT

"Akanksha holds a Master's degree in Computer Applications and Information Technology from Gujarat University, India. She has more than 7 years of experience in different frontend and backend technologies. She currently works as a web developer and as a coordinator for mobile app development at Learnmera Oy and as a JavaScript Consultant at Klevu Oy. Akanksha is responsible for the development and maintenance of the web portal www.thelanguagemenu.com. She has also worked on dissemination/project info sites, including info4migrant, CV-Plus, thelanguagevoices and various other projects here at Learnmera Oy. Akanksha speaks English, Hindi and Gujarati."

Marja-Liisa Helenius – Translation coordinator

Has a Master's Degree in English Philology from University of Helsinki, incl. subject teacher studies in English and French. 10+ years of experience with translations, several years of English teaching experience in adult education, international project secretary and project manager for EU projects. Currently translator, project worker and translation coordinator at Learnmera Oy and Project Manager and Secretary of the Board at Learning for Integration ry, an NGO promoting language learning and integration of immigrants. Marja-Liisa has well-established connections with many international organisations in Helsinki. Worked with management, material creation and research for several EU projects dealing with languages and immigration with Learnmera and LFI. She has been organising Cafe Lingua language event since 2004, promoted on Facebook and social media (5,000+ people in FB group). She speaks Finnish, English, German and French.

Inês Messias – Multimedia specialist

Has a PhD in Educational Sciences with expertise in e-learning strategies, a Master's Degree in Multimedia Education and Communication. She is a lecturer at ISCTE-Instituto Universitário de Lisboa. She is also a researcher at ISTAR and at LE@D. Her 12 year experience as a lecturer encompasses different courses where she taught using Blended and Distance methodologies. Participated in the development of several projects related to technology for future teachers, multimedia for education, immersive tools for education, augmented reality etc. Speaks Portuguese, English and French.

Eric Gelfgren – Boardmember

Has an associate degree in Engineering and a MBA in Marketing and International Business with 35 years experience in the financial services industry. He has held senior positions in Fixed Income, Equity and Derivatives trading, as well as within Commercial Banking and Asset Management. The most recent 15 years has been focused on business development, particularly within sustainability and responsible investment. Participated in a number of projects in various supporting roles. Speaks English and Swedish.

Have you participated in a European Union granted project in the 3 years preceding this application?

Yes

Project's Name	EU Programme	Year	Project Identification or Contract Number	Applicant/ Beneficiary Na
City Quiz & Walk Mobbille app for cities	Erasmus + KA2	2019	2019-1-FI01-KA204-060734	Learnmera Oy
Mental Health + Webapp	Erasmus + KA2	2019	2019-1-UK01-KA202-062036	Aspire-igen Group Ltd
ASSessing EFL StudentS	Erasmus + KA2	2019	2019-1-PT01-KA201-061275	Agrupamento de Escolas de Penalva do Castelo
Language on the go Mobile app	Erasmus + KA2	2019	2019-1-NL01-KA204-060376	Stichting Vrouw en Welzijn
Global Robots Exchanging Adventurous Themes	Erasmus + KA2	2019	2019-1-UK01-KA201-062030	Academy for International Science and Research
Action for socio-economic integration of refugees and asylum seekers	Erasmus + KA2	2019	2019-1-IT02-KA204-063302	ANOLF Marche
Mobile Virtual Learning for Indigenous languages Mobile app	Erasmus + KA2	2019	2019-1-UK01-KA204-061875	Heriot-Watt University
FEES Financial education for educator's course	Erasmus + KA2	2018	2018-1-UK01-KA204-048179	Global Learning and Skills Partnership Limited (GLaSP)
Mr.Winston Chatbot for English language training	Erasmus + KA2	2018	2018-1-BE01-KA202- 038594	Logopsycom
OnTrain	Erasmus + KA2	2018	2018-1-ES01-KA204-050702	UNIVERSITAT JAUME I DE CASTELLON
Gender+ Benchmark tool for gender inclusivity	Erasmus + KA2	2018	2018-1-UK01-KA202-048039	ASPIRE IGEN GROUP LIMITED
TAU - From teachers to andragogues: how to improve the quality of adult education	Nordplus Adult 2017	2017	NPAD-2017/10097	Sakiai Third Age University (LT)
Abriendo Puertas, Dando Oportunidades (Opening Doors, Giving Opportunities	Erasmus + KA2	2017	2017-1-ES01-KA204-038438	Centro educacion permanente CEHEL
App4Skills Application to develop basic skills for disadvantaged adults	Erasmus + KA2	2017	2017-1-ES01-KA204-038478	Fundacion Juan De Los Toyos
Youth Online Creating awareness about early school leaving	Erasmus + KA2	2017	2017-1-TR01-KA201-046747	Hasan Ali Yucel Anadolu Lisesi
Language Voices in Europe, Creation of language cafes and materials	Erasmus + KA2	2017	2017-1-FI01-KA204-034714	Learnmera Oy

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Associated Partners

Please identify and explain the involvement of associated partners, not formally participating in the project. Please explain how they will contribute to the implementation of specific project tasks/activities or support the dissemination and sustainability of the project (2-4 organisations per/country)

Learning for Integration ry (<http://www.lfi.fi/>) is able to assist with the dissemination and events in Finland. Other partners Learnmera has worked with previously that can be mentioned are Svenska Kulturfonden (<http://www.kulturfonden.fi/>), Luckan (<http://luckan.fi/>) and Bidningsalliansen (<http://www.bidningsalliansen.fi/sv/start/>) who are specifically interested in dissemination of Swedish in Finland projects. Schools to be mentioned are Arcada a multi-professional university of applied sciences (<https://www.arcada.fi/sv>) and Practicum an upper secondary vocational institution (<http://www.practicum.fi/>) as well as Laurea, (<https://www.laurea.fi/en>) another University of Applied Sciences. These schools can periodically assist Learnmera with some events and dissemination of projects.

Learning for Integration ry also organises a weekly language cafe in Helsinki with 60-90 participants each week. We can disseminate information at the events and involve the attendees. They also have a large Facebook group Cafe Lingua in Helsinki <https://www.facebook.com/groups/147968218893/>