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Léier Lëtzebuergesch Online - LLO.LU A new tool to learn Luxembourgish: digital, global and free

At a press conference on September 9th, 2022, the Minister of Education, Children and Youth, Claude Meisch, and the Director of the *"Institut National des Langues"* (INL), Maisy Gorza, launched the new learning platform for Luxembourgish, LLO.LU. The new digital tool for learning Luxembourgish online not only globally promotes the importance of our language but furthermore consolidates its future use. Accessible worldwide and free of charge from the start of the next school year in September 2022, LLO.lu will uphold our modern society's interest in the Luxembourg language and culture as well as guarantee access to quality learning materials.

Luxembourgish, a popular language

In recent years, the Luxembourgish language has become increasingly popular, both in our country and abroad. Thus, the number of enrolments in Luxembourgish courses at the INL has more than doubled in the last 10 years, and is with 5.707 enrolments for the 2021/2022 school year even higher than the 5.533 enrolments in French courses.

"The demand for Luxembourgish courses is very high, both at home and abroad. This shows how important Luxembourgish is as a communication and integration language, even for people who do not speak it or do not speak it yet. With the new learning platform, we are now making it possible for interested people to learn the language in a fun and digital way and from anywhere in the world", emphasised Claude Meisch.

An attractive platform for everyday and professional life

The LLO.LU learning platform gives users the opportunity to learn the Luxembourgish language in an interactive way, thanks to various lessons geared towards both private and professional use. The learning platform is accessible via computer and an application designed for iOS and Android. The interface is available in four languages: German, French, English and Luxembourgish.

When signing up, you can complete an assessment test to evaluate the current level of your Luxembourgish skills and consequently create an individual learning programme. However, the test is not compulsory to access the content.

The chapters are organised thematically and each topic is accompanied by videos, explanations and exercises, and at the end, you can also check what you have learned with a short test.

Currently, the LLO.LU tool offers courses for levels A1 and A2 (according to the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages). Each school year, an additional level is added.

Investment in the virtual and real learning context

The development costs of around 3.4 million euros for the LLO.lu tool underline the Ministry of Education's commitment to promoting the Luxembourgish language: for two years, a team of five people created the learning material for the online tool, which will be continuously developed over the next few years.

The learning platform can be used privately, but also by Luxembourgish teachers to provide personalised material to their students.

Within the framework of LLO.LU, interesting activities related to the language will be organised, both online and across various locations in the country. An up-to-date agenda, also containing other cultural events is also available on the website.