

AAATE: Workshop05b - World Wide cooperation in Assistive Technology Information: a dream that's coming true



In several countries there are Information systems on Assistive Technology. One can learn from one another, can add to one another and can broaden the market. Therefore international cooperation is needed and also growing.

Representatives from the 6 countries and information systems integrated to one in the EASTIN project; representative from the countries belonging to the International Alliance of Assistive Technology Providers

Connecting the different systems to one overall system.

Enlargement of ongoing cooperation.

Enlargement of the market on Assistive technology.

Workshop during the AAATE conference in September 2005, Lille (From virtuality to reality);

Presentations on national information systems and on EASTIN and International Alliance

Improving already existing initiatives like EASTIN and the International Alliance.

Expanding the number of participants in the networks.

Short-Term
Clear overview national information systems

Awareness of importance and added value of international cooperation

Exchanging experiences on building an information system

Mid-Term
Enlargement of cooperation to build a clear, workable information system on AT in several countries.

Improving the national information systems based on experiences of others.
Combining datacollections
Development of classifications
Implementation of ICF (International Classification on Functioning, Disability and Health)

