AI4AL Newsletter - October 2024



Welcome to the AI4AL newsletter: New resources and tools for the use of AI in adult education!

We are at an exciting moment in our project timeline as we release new tools and resources to empower adult educators and learners to use AI to enhance their training and learning experiences.

This newsletter will give you a brief overview of what's new in our project: We invite you to explore our **Engagement Kit**, which facilitates educators' direct involvement in adopting AI-based technologies, the **AI4AL Matching Tool**, which matches learners' skills with learning opportunities and career paths, and our upcoming **Self-Paced Training Path** for adult educators.

We are also happy to invite you to **our final workshops**, which will take place **on 17 October within the ALL DIGITAL Summit 2024: Summit of Engaged Digital Citizenship in Madrid**. This is a unique opportunity for educators to gain hands-on *experience with the resources and tools developed by our project and exchange insights with our expert partners*.

And finally, we have some good news: While our project was initially set to conclude by the end of October 2024, its duration has been extended until the end of February 2025. This will allow us to maximize our piloting activities and ensure all our project tools and resources are ready for the use of the adult learning and education community.

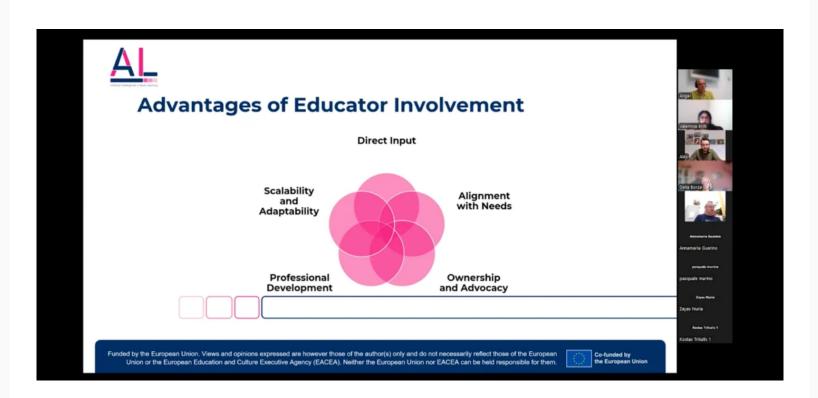
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Have a good reading!

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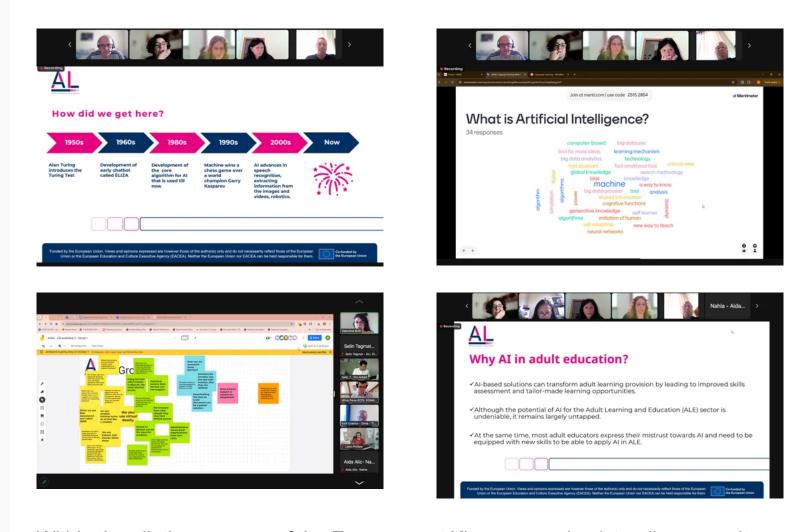
What's new: AI4AL tools and resources in a nutshell

The Engagement Kit



The first result of our project is an **Engagement Kit** that facilitates educators' direct involvement in adopting AI-based technologies in Adult Education. Among the resources provided in the Engagement Kit are:

- <u>Methodological Guide</u> describing the rules for the engagement of educators
 - and learners in the process of adopting AI-based technologies in adult education and containing supporting information materials about the fundamental concepts on AI, its applications in ALE, the framework of adoption in Europe and the right approach to quality-data collection.
- <u>Scenarios Repository</u> is a Wiki page complementing the theoretical approach of the Methodological Guide, providing a series of practical examples that derive directly from the field experience of adult educators.



Within the piloting process of the Engagement Kit, we organised 4 online capacitybuilding workshops specifically designed to equip educators and trainers, as well as their organisations, with the knowledge and tools to integrate AI in their practices and organisations. You can watch the recordings <u>here</u>.

The AI4AL Matching Tool

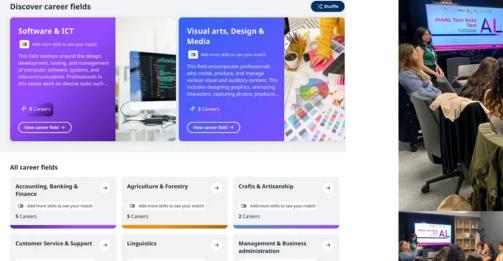


Matching Tool's Development Timeline

One of the main objectives of the AI4AL project is the development of an AI and skills-based digital tool to support adult educators in their daily work and to match adult learners with the best learning opportunities and career paths.

The Al4AL Matching Tool consists of a mobile app designed for learners to assess their skills, explore career paths, and download personalized CVs, and an administrator portal for educators to manage user profiles, create groups, monitor progress, and use the generated skills profiles to create personalized recommendations and learning paths.







During the development phase led by our partner SkillLab, our project worked closely with over 100 adult educators to ensure that the tool addresses their needs and expectations and to help them see how their intervention will significantly influence the behaviour of the AI.

Out tool is still in testing phase with constant improvements and we are impatient to make it ready for the use of wider adult education community in the coming months.

The Self-Paced Training Path

Module 1: Fundamentals of AI



Our project aims to empower educators and professionals with the knowledge and skills they need to effectively integrate AI into their teaching methodologies in adult education.

During the last months, our partners have been working on the content development for a self-paced training path, which will be soon launched on the Moodle platform to be tested by adult educators.

If you are interested in having an early insight on our self-paced training path, you can take a look at the training toolkit and methodology for content development <u>here</u>.









Register now to join us: Al4AL Final Event at the ALL DIGITAL Summit 2024 in Madrid on 17 October!

Al4AL is delighted to invite you to its final event to take place on 17 October within the ALL DIGITAL Summit 2024: Summit of Engaged Digital Citizenship in Madrid.

Starting on Tuesday 15 October at the Caixa Forum Madrid and continuing for the following two days at La Nave Madrid (La Nave Boetticher), the summit is co-hosted by ALL DIGITAL and its Spanish member Fundación Esplai.



Angeliki Giannakopoulou from EAEA, leading our project, and Christoph Bretgeld from SkillLab, leading the development of our AI-based tool, will address the summit participants with a keynote speech and a panel discussion respectively.



This will be followed by two workshop sessions aiming at an interactive exchange with adult educators:

Workshop: Engagement kit and AI-based matching tool

Come and join this session to have a hands-on experience of the AI4AL Matching Tool and create learning scenarios that can inspire you to offer innovative learning experiences!

Sylvana Hiltrop from Skillab will provide an overview of the tool for participants who will then be divided into groups to brainstorm and create dynamic learning scenarios with the facilitation of Valentina Brilli from EGInA. Whether you prefer to use a computer or mobile phone, you'll be able to participate fully in this interactive session.

Workshop: Self-paced training path

Join us to explore the self-paced training path for adult educators facilitated by Alexandru Ursulescu from CPIP:

- A needs analysis and clearly defined training objectives
- A flexible curriculum tailored to your learning pace
- A pedagogical framework to guide your educational journey
- Practical teaching materials and resources to enhance your learning experience

This workshop is perfect for adult educators, trainers, and professionals interested in harnessing AI to enhance their teaching methods.

Register to the summit and remember to select the two Al4AL workshops on 17 October to join us for a hands-on experience of Al tools and resources!

