

The screenshot shows the MELT Learning Resource Exchange (LRE) website. At the top, there is a logo for MELT and navigation links for 'Login', 'Paswoord vergeten?', and 'Registreren'. A language dropdown menu is set to 'English'. Below the header, there are navigation links for 'STARTPAGINA | MIJN FAVORIETEN | HELPSECTIE' and a 'Welkom' message. The main heading is 'Welkom op de MELT portaalsite!'. A search bar is located on the left, with fields for 'Language', 'Subject', and 'Leeftijdsgroep', and a 'GO' button. Below the search bar, there is a section for 'Zoek volgens tag' with a list of tags and a 'GO' button. The main content area displays a list of resources, each with a rating, tags, a description, and options to view details, add to favorites, or report a problem. The resources listed are: 'Ulevaade laureaatide tegevusest [en]', 'Nuklearna elektrarna Krško [en sl hr]', and 'Normandy: 1944 [en]'.

Dear teacher,

Do you want to discover a brand new service with unique characteristics?

European Schoolnet developed with a lot of content providers and ministries of education in Europe a testbed where teachers can discover in different ways all kind of learning materials from colleagues from all over Europe. Try out this new service for teachers that brings together 150 000 free learning resources from all over Europe. Visit the MELT-portal and discover thousands of interesting learning objects ready to use in the classroom that are already successfully used in their country of origin.

Can you help the developers to make the best of this LRE (Learning Resource Exchange System) by registering to this project and using Web 2.0 tools to tag, rate and share with colleagues by means of favourites those resources that you find useful.

When visiting the MELT-portal today at <http://www.melt-project.eu> you will

discover a good functioning portal with a nice collection of learning objects. Thousands of interesting objects can be discovered now.

We need your help to make the best of it. Please help us by doing following tasks

- browse and search the database of learning objects; use search by subject and the tagcloud to discover learning objects
- try to discover learning objects in other languages/from other countries
- you should tag, rate and bookmark at least 25 learning objects if possible
- a new functionality is added to the system; you can share favourites/bookmarks with each other now; this works like del.icio.us. Please try it.

You can do this task as an individual teacher. Please make it a topic on a conference or a workshop with fellow teachers. Discovering the portal can be a exercise in teacher training too with students.

Let's clearly state the task:

- 1: Register at [www.melt-project.eu](http://www.melt-project.eu)
- 2: Log in and find resources from other countries
  - a) by tag cloud
  - b) and b) by searching on disciplines or keyword
- 3: Rate the resources with one to five stars (and comment them)
- 4: Tag these resources with useful words to help other teachers find them (any language)
- 5: Mark some these resources as favorites; share your favorites
- 6: Fill in the two evaluation questionnaires developed by Krems University (Austria);
  - 1) The so-called Search & Find Questionnaire. This questionnaire should be completed regularly when having used the MELT portal. However, if some teachers complete the questionnaire only once, it is also ok.

The link to the questionnaire is

<http://imb.donau-uni.ac.at/meltsurvey/index.php?sid=81416&newtest=Y>

2) The Questionnaire on Use of Objects. This questionnaire evaluates the use of the learning objects that the teachers found in the MELT portal. This is a very short questionnaire and should be completed for each object used for teaching activities.

The link to the questionnaire is

<http://imb.donau-uni.ac.at/meltsurvey/index.php?sid=57366&lang=en>

We will collect data until end of January.

The data are always treated confidentially.

Be sure that collaborating in this project you will contribute to a real innovative European project that can redesign European schools and teaching/learning-processes in the future.