Dear SIG4 members,

After this long winter, we hope that now all of you can enjoy some warm pre-summer days… In this month’s newsletter we have:

1. Renew your SIG4 membership for 2018
Did you already renew your SIG4 (EARLI) membership? If not, you will miss all the info about SIG4 (usually, newsletters are sent only to current members). You can renew your SIG4 membership in EARLI’s system: https://www.earli-eapril.org/login

2. SIG 4 Conference, 29-31 August, 2018, Giessen (Gießen), Germany
We are very happy to announce that the registration for this year’s SIG4 conference is open! Please use the early bird option (until 31 May). Registration is done in the EARLI conference system with your personal credentials: https://www.earli-eapril.org/login
All information on the conference can be found here: https://earli.org/SIG42018
We are looking forward to meeting you in Giessen!

3. Reminder: Survey for our new mission statement
Please fill in our brief survey about our mission statement. Your input is valuable for us and we started brainstorming about our new EARLI SIG 4 mission statement in Tampere. We thought this process should be continued, so we kindly ask you to share your ideas and contribute to this joint endeavor (takes less than 5 minutes to fill it out): https://goo.gl/forms/TZ2IXacJt3Y1cCpS2

4. EARLI Policy Council: SIG4 Issues
Robert will represent SIG4 in this year’s EARLI policy council meeting. The policy council is an official part of the EARLI governance structure, and has the task of approving the EARLI accounts and acquitting the EARLI Executive Committee of liabilities. In addition, it is used for building connections between the Executive Committee and EARLI members.
We would therefore ask you to think about issues or concerns that you would like to know discussed in this forum. Please send your comments or ideas to Robert by 3 June.

5. New SIG4 coordinator from 2019
In 2019, Robert will leave the coordinator position. Although there is still some time, we already want to raise this issue: If you think that you might be interested in following him as a SIG4 coordinator, please contact us at the SIG4 Conference in Giessen!

6. Call for submissions for the Journal of Adult Learning, Knowledge and Innovation (JALKI)
The Journal of Adult Learning, Knowledge and Innovation (JALKI) is accepting submissions. JALKI is an open access, peer reviewed, online journal. It strives to be inclusive in scope by understanding and interpreting adult learning and knowledge construction at the intersection of theory and practice, including formal, non-formal and informal learning contexts. It publishes empirical and theoretical papers that promote a problem-oriented, and/or a critical approach to research and scholarship, going beyond description of practice.
More info on: http://akademiai.com/loi/jalki
7. The Society for Research into Higher Education Conference Newport: Call for Papers
The changing shape of higher education: Can excellence and inclusion cohabit?
5-7 December 2018: Celtic Manor, Newport, Wales, UK
For further details and to download the Call for Papers please visit:
http://www.srhe.ac.uk/conference2018/

8. Co-Constructing Excellence Conference Hong Kong: Call for Papers
Co-Constructing Excellence: Recognising, Scaffolding and Building Excellence in University Learning and Teaching, 18-19 December 2018, The University of Hong Kong, Hong Kong
Online submission system: https://myreview2018.cetl.hku.hk
For inquiries, please contact the conference secretary at cetlconf@hku.hk or visit the conference site: http://www.cetl.hku.hk/conf2018/

9. Remember to follow us on Twitter or Facebook
We use these accounts to share important news and events in our community. If you want us to retweet something among our members, just tag us under @Earlisig4
Twitter: https://twitter.com/earlisig4
Facebook group: https://www.facebook.com/groups/202871616757905/

Please do not hesitate to ask us in case you have any questions, comments, or critical remarks. We will be happy to get into contact with you.

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