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INNOVATING WITH TECH SKILLS IN THE DIGITAL AGE

Training Session with
MARIA NORTON - CLARE BURKE - SOFIA LEONE
For Teachers of English in Primary and Secondary School

ROME Friday 23 September
Teatro Sala "Umberto"
Via della Mercede, 50 - 00187 Roma

14:30 Registration
15:00 MLA - An opportunity for Teacher Professional Development – Gabriella Frezza
15.20 The British Council – Maria Norton
15:30 Innovating with Tech Skills in the Digital Age – Clare Burke
16:30 Break
17:00 Classroom Activities – Sofia Leone
18:00 Close and Certificates of Attendance

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Innovating with Tech Skills in the Digital Age

Technology is changing teaching and learning. We will explore how and why teachers are using emerging technologies to engage students in learning with a tech audit that can be applied to your workplace.

We want to make learning more culturally meaningful, and we'll suggest ways how to become autonomous life-long learners through a principled use of technology, with ideas for blended learning.

In addition, we will support your professional development with practical examples of online resources readily available to teachers, including MOOCs.

TRAINERS and CONFERENCE MANAGER



Maria K. Norton

Maria's working life has centred on language education, with roles in 3 continents during her 14 years with the British Council. With a PGCE (Secondary) in Teaching Modern Foreign Languages and an MA in Applied Linguistics (University of Southampton, 2000) she has trained 1000s of teachers around the world and has been a DELTA tutor. From 2011-2013 in Tunisia Maria directed British Council consultancy work to refresh the English Language Reform Project in partnership with the Ministry of Education. During her posting in Korea before that she co-created a 30-hour on-line teacher training course "Motivating Learning" used by thousands of Korean teachers of English. She loves living here in Italy!



Clare Burke

Clare Burke is currently a Business Training Services teacher and Blended Learning Courses trainer for British Council, Milan. She has been an EFL teacher for 10 years, the last 8 of which have been in Milan where she has worked with some of the city's biggest companies and delivered methodology workshops to state school teachers across the region and the north of Italy. More recently, she has been investigating how digital technology can be applied to education to benefit both the traditional EFL classroom and the boardroom.



Sofia Leone

EFL teacher Sofia Leone has been working in Southern Italy for 5 years. She graduated in TESOL and Foreign Language in 2011 and completed her TEFLQ qualification in Edinburgh in the summer of 2014. She has a keen interest in applied linguistics and has worked in the UK, Italy and Spain.



Gabriella Frezza

Gabriella's working life has centred on education. She started as a teacher of English and became the Principal of a large paritaria school in Sanremo. She attended a master at La Cattolica University for the management of no profit organizations and worked in many important foreign universities abroad as a coordinator for programmes of English Language Learning for Italian students. She started a bilingual school with the British Council support. She was asked to speak at many conferences on the development of bilingual education and second language early learning. She is working for MLA as a business development manager at the moment and her main task is the improvement of the teacher training branch in the company.