

WHAT WE OFFER

1 We plan, organize and teach language courses and take you on combined **language and culture trips** to CORTONA, VENICE, URBINO and ROME in Italy and to CLUNY and PARIS in France. We ensure that the course level is right for you and that your individual needs are met.

2 We offer further **education training courses** for language trainers and language teaching staff: holistic, non-conventional teaching methods such as Suggestopaedia, Community Language Learning, Psychodramaturgy for Language Acquisition and Educational Play Theory.

3 We plan and organize incentive and VIP **'cultural discovery'** programmes and accompany you e.g. to Venice (carnevale and commedia dell' arte), to Burgundy (meditation and vision in high energy areas of the Romanesque period) and to Tuscany (Etruscans and trattorie).

6 to 14 participants

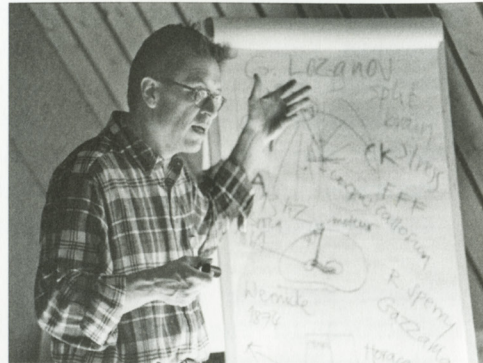
Please contact us. We will be happy to give you further information and meet your every wish.



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KAIROS (ancient Greek): the right place and time

LANGUAGE

is about the ability to listen, to speak, to read and to write, and enables us to engage in dialogue. Successful dialogue is based on communication and language skills and increasingly includes foreign language skills.

Consequently the educational methods which we apply when teaching foreign languages are geared to the human being and determined by the way our brain works; they respect different learning styles, they balance intellect and emotions, and they consider the relevance of the learning contents to the learners' individual situations. All this allows for a high input of new information. The result is motivation.

We mainly work on the basis of the latest research findings on the psychology of



learning and the non-conventional learning methods developed by G. Lozanov, J. Asher, B. Dufeu and Ch. Curran between 1960 and 1990. We are trainers certified by the Deutsche Gesellschaft für Suggestopädisches Lehren und Lernen, DGSL (German Association for Suggestopaedic Teaching and Learning); we also train teachers in these methods in our own seminars.

The key factor in our lessons is Suggestopaedia, a teaching method developed by Dr. G. Lozanov that combines the playful discovery of the target language with a stimulating cycle of creative learning phases and, by alternating moments of positive stress (eustress) with times of relaxation, meets the learners' psychological and physiological needs. A major suggestive stimulus is art; art conveys the background of our language and culture trips in a memorable way.

These are our destinations in Italy: CORTONA in Tuscany, which is one of the twelve cities of the Etruscan League, URBINO, Condottiero Federico di Montefeltro's most fortunate invention and late medieval university town in the Marche, VENICE and ROME. In France our destinations are the former Benedictine 'capital' of CLUNY and PARIS.

Our half-day workshops are all held in superior, centrally located hotels (e.g. at Rome's Piazza Navona and on the Zattere promenade in Venice), from where we explore the surroundings on foot, by car and by boat.



CULTURE

COMMUNICATION

Within the framework of our **VIP and Incentive Tours** and in a personal conversation with you, we develop a concept which corresponds with your ideas and wishes.

We plan and book your tour and are with you during your stay, whether it's guiding you through cross-cultural faux pas or spontaneously adjusting or designing alternative programmes corresponding to the development of the group's dynamics.

We interpret for you to establish your contacts in German, Italian, French and English.

In response to your registration for a **language trip** we will send you a questionnaire in which you can assess your own language level. We will be happy to answer your questions by phone or email.

