

VITAE Pilot course evaluation

Summary

There were not enough respondents to make this a statistically reliable exercise but the comments especially were helpful. It probably would also have been advisable for an independent person to devise and carry out the evaluation! Thanks to the four people who completed the survey.

Time needed: The survey confirmed what we found out quickly at the beginning of the course and that was that it required much more time to complete it to a satisfactory level.

Organisation: As the course was extended to meet the first point, so the naming of the content was altered because we could no longer refer to *weeks*. This was confusing and unfortunate and would not happen in a live run of the course. There are 8 units and the word unit is independent of the time allocated in which to complete it. Each of the units represents a stage in the learning journey.

Expectations: Were for a more text-based and less practically oriented course. I hope that the approach has convinced participants and observers that such an approach is effective.

Materials: Good but will it be possible to find similar materials in local languages such as Portuguese?

Tools: Those presented and worked with seemed to be judged valuable by all participants.

Collaborative activities: Were judged to be very useful

Readiness to coach colleagues: While positive, this aspect shows participants want more experience before having the confidence to try this themselves.

Personalising activities: This was positively evaluated so this means that the VITAE activities could be easily adapted to the participants' own needs.

Assessment: Half were neutral on this so maybe it needs more justification

Non-completion: Lack of time and lack of colleagues for collaboration were the main reasons for non-completion.

My own feeling is that the course needs a stronger finish with, for example, a low key online conference or production of a showcase blog or wiki where participants demonstrate what they have achieved either in coaching their colleagues or in implementing digital technology in their own practice. But the lack of participants towards the end meant this was not possible.

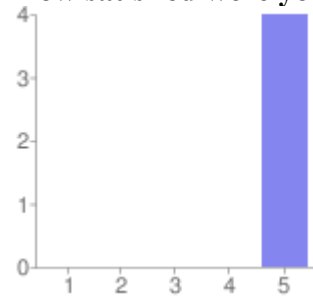
Unresolved issues

Integration of CoP: Since the CoP was not available until the course was almost over this has not been properly integrated into the course tasks yet.

Integration of iQTool & eTutor Portal: Now that partners have experienced the VITAE course, it should be possible to see where these two tools can be integrated into the VITAE course.

Detailed responses

How satisfied were you with the expertise of your facilitator?



1 -	Not at all satisfied	0	0%
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5 -	Completely satisfied	4	100%

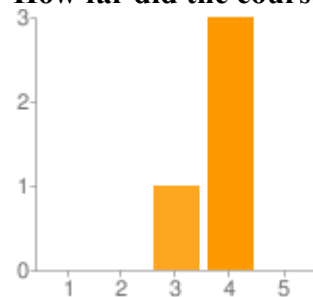
Not at all satisfied Completely satisfied

Do you have any additional comments about the way in which the course was facilitated?

Wonderful and always timely

Anne Fox was brilliant on the way she conducted the whole course, with great effort on doing it – she has showed to us how hard the Coaching “facilitator” role is!

How far did the course meet your expectations?



1 -	Did not meet my expectations at all	0	0%
2		0	0%
3		1	25%
4		3	75%
5 -	Completely met my expectations	0	0%

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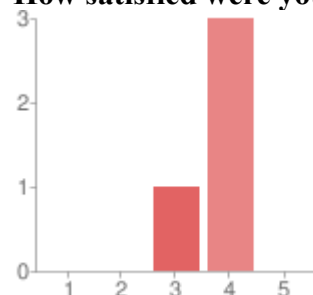
Do you have any additional comments about how far your expectations were met?

Much more to physically do than I expected

Even too much ... maybe ambitious for the available time

My expectations weren't all met mostly because of my own lack of the required time to fulfill all the demanding tasks– It was hard to follow the footsteps of the quicker colleagues, so the result was to get further and further away of them, generating delays on the fulfillment of the tasks.

How satisfied were you with the way the course was organised?



1 -	Not at all satisfied	0	0%
2		0	0%
3		1	25%
4		3	75%
5 -	Completely satisfied	0	0%

Not at all satisfied Completely satisfied

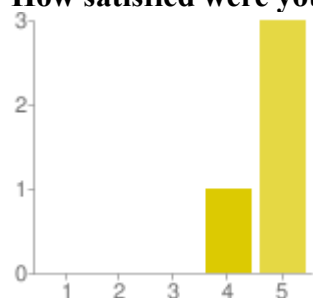
Do you have any additional comments about the course organisation?

Too little time to fully explore and exploit the provided material

If one has to join course with a daily work, it may be unfeasible to complete it in the prescribed time
The students need more time to fulfil the course.

The course was well organized but it was somewhat confused for me due to the mixing of the terms “task” with “Unit”, started on the Module 2: During Module 1, only “Task”s were involved and referred on both the “Module 1 Tasks” TOC index and on the Tasks contents titles, so it was logical, but then, on Module 2, I initially struggled to understand the sudden appearance of Units 4, 5 and 6 on the Tasks titles descriptions, in replacement of Tasks 2.1, 2.2 and 2.3 respectively, as referred on the “Module 2 Tasks” TOC index . Modules 3 and 4 continued to use this mixing of terms “Task” and “Unit”, which bring some confusion on the logical structure of the course.

How satisfied were you with the course materials?



Not at all satisfied Completely satisfied

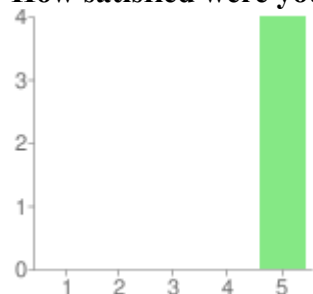
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3	0	0%
4	1	25%
5 - Completely satisfied	3	75%

Do you have any additional comments about the course materials?

I expected more text-based learning material

Only one note: I believe that it could be difficult, if not impossible, to find similar resources for the Portuguese trainers that haven't much English knowledge skills, but for the ones that have not this limitation the resources used on the course are very good!

How satisfied were you with the content of the course?



Not at all satisfied Completely satisfied

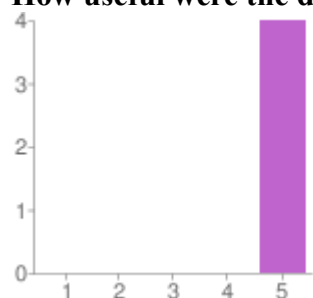
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4	0	0%
5 - Completely satisfied	4	100%

Do you have any additional comments about the course content?

Too much for two months

Very good, learned a lot

How useful were the digital tools used in the course?



Not at all Extremely

1 - Not at all useful	0	0%
2	0	0%
3	0	0%
4	0	0%
5 - Extremely useful	4	100%

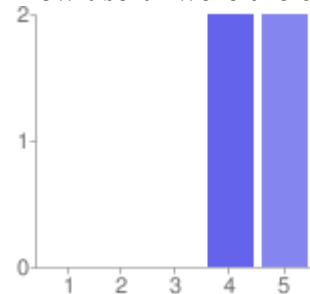
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Do you have any additional comments about how useful the digital tools presented in the course were?

Gave me valuable assets for my future teaching

How useful were the collaborative activities in the course?



Not at all
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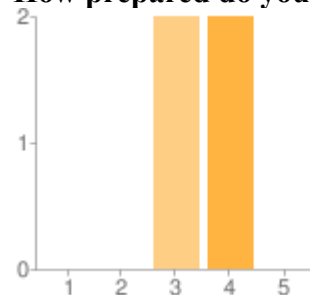
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2		0	0%
3		0	0%
4		2	50%
5 -	Extremely useful	2	50%

Do you have any additional comments about the collaborative activities in the course?

Coaching colleagues was not finished because of the students and trouble with the timetable
As already referred, only the "coaching course colleagues" as failed due to the reason referred above, so I couldn't mention the usefulness of these activities.

How prepared do you feel to coach your colleagues in their use of ICT tools?



Not at all
prepared

Completely
prepared

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3		2	50%
4		2	50%
5 -	Completely prepared	0	0%

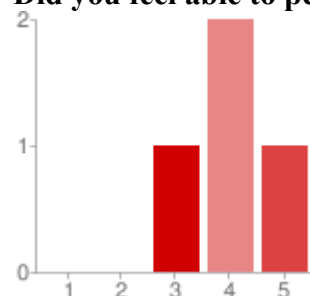
Do you have any additional comments about how prepared you feel to coach colleagues in their use of ICT tools?

Coaching is an art ...

Because i haven't finished the course. But i will get there because now i know what the Vitae course is about. So it was very valuable.

I am sure that I will be much more confident and prepared as soon as mount or participate on the mounting of the Portuguese Coaching ICT course.

Did you feel able to personalise the activities of the course to meet your own needs?



I could not
personalise

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1 -	I could not personalise the activities at all	0	0%
2		0	0%
3		1	25%
4		2	50%
5 -	I could personalise	1	25%

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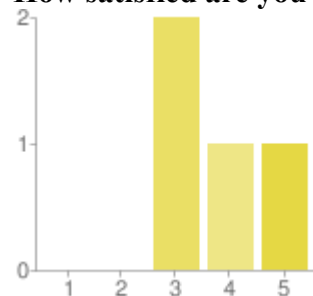
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Do you have any additional comments to make about how much you were able to personalise the course activities to be relevant to your situation?

Syntesis is much harder than analysis

How satisfied are you with the assessment of this course?



1 - Not at all satisfied	0	0%
2	0	0%
3	2	50%
4	1	25%
5 - Completely satisfied	1	25%

Not at all
satisfied

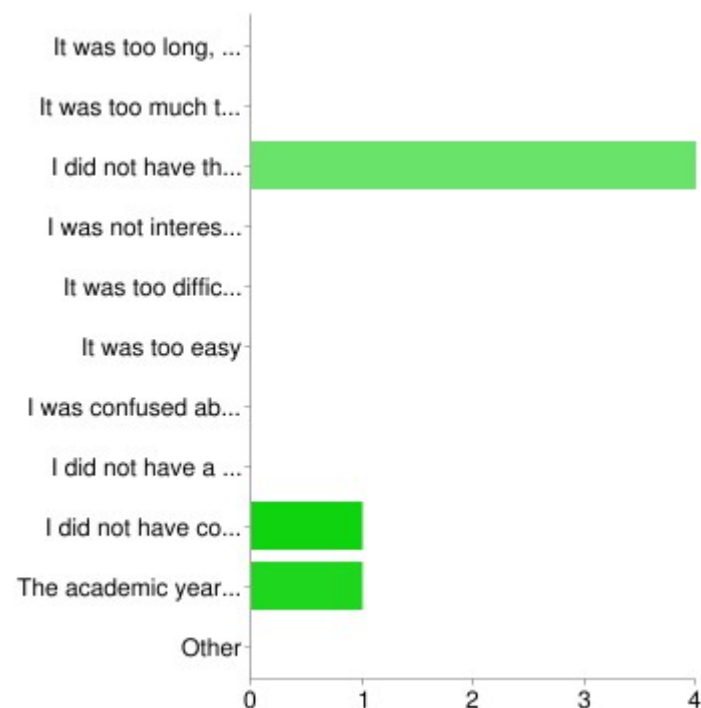
Completely
satisfied

Do you have any additional comments about the assessment of this course?

Hardly apply

More for self-assessment

If you did not complete the course why was this? (Check all that apply)



I did not have the time.

I did not have the time, The academic year ended before I could implement my lesson or coach my colleagues

I did not have the time

I did not have the time, I did not have colleagues to work with (to implement the coaching)