

Announcing the Eumetcal Flash workshop

Do not miss this unique opportunity to learn the basics of FLASH. Eumetcal offers you top-level instructors and an efficient learning environment to let you move your first steps in building distance learning modules.

Flash workshop is also very interesting for those developing web-based meteorological applications or realizing webpages.

Introduction

The Eumetcal Flash workshop will take place **9 -11 December 2009**. The course will be the first offered by Eumetcal on this topic and will be run in the Deutschen Wetterdienstes (DWD) training facilities in **Langen, Germany** (20 km south of Frankfurt).

WHAT IS FLASH

If you browse the Internet to learn more about flash you will get something like: “FLASH is an authoring environment widely used in creating e- and distance learning solutions related to environmental sciences (meteorology, oceanography, climatology, etc.)”.

In case you really want to know what actually Flash is and how it will allow you to improve your skills and possibilities to create distance learning module, please have a glance at the following examples made entirely with Flash by the Workshop instructors:

- Small introduction to Flash (<http://www.satreponline.org/whatisflash/>)
- Module about the model monitoring (<http://www.satreponline.org/nwp/intro.html>)

Target audience

We are seeking people involved in meteorological training who have a strong interest in developing e- and distance learning material within their affiliations.

On the other hand also those developing web-based meteorological applications or simply web pages could largely benefit the Flash workshop.

Prerequisites

- Strong interests in creating e- and distance learning material
- Current working position heavily involved in training
- Working knowledge in the English language

Outcomes of the workshop

After the workshop the participants are encouraged to apply their Flash skills to relevant distance and e-learning educational projects within their affiliations or in connection to Eumetcal Programme's activities.

The successful participant will not walk away an expert after the workshop, but will learn enough to start working independently or under the supervision of more experienced people.

Software and licenses

During the workshop participants will work on PCs already equipped with the needed software.

Afterwards the acquisition of a full Adobe Flash CS4 license to be installed and used within the affiliation of origin can be discussed with the instructors and the Eumetcal management. One of the most important outcomes is the effective use and further development of the skills learned in the workshop once back to work.

The instructors

The instructors of the course have used Flash for several years in their work for designing multimedia solutions used in distance learning and blended e-learning material.



Jarno Schipper
(ZAMG)

Jarno is currently working as a Training Officer at ZAMG, where he is responsible for developing and exploiting the activities of the EumeTRain project funded by Eumetsat. Among his several duties the design of learning modules and their realization by means of flash.



Bruce Muller
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Bruce is currently the production manager at COMET where he oversees the publication of COMET's web content and assists in facilitating online distance learning classes. In the past, he's taught instructional design and web design and development for the University of Colorado at Denver.

Applications

Application should be submitted by filling the following electronic application form:



<http://www.webropol.com/P.aspx?id=350903&cid=19135860>

Application deadline 30 October 2009

Students selected and notified by 04 November 2009

Maximum amount of students allowed: 15 (not more than one from the same affiliation)

Fees and support

For Eumetcal members there is no fee for participating to the workshop. Moreover, the selected participants from the **Eumetcal member states** will be partly supported by the Eumetcal Programme (flight tickets and accommodation at DWD Guest House).