



# Intercultural Sensitization

## Intercultural and Inter-sectoral Communication - Communication in Collaborative Environments

27.10.2021 - 12:30 - 16:45 CET, 13:30 - 17:45 EET

(online workshop, hosted by University of Opole)

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FORTHEM Alliance partners have a wide range of experience in international cooperation as institutions, but the level of individual experience of project managers and researchers varies greatly. Managing collaborative cross-cultural environments can be a challenge especially to those in charge.



The objective of this workshop is to discuss the language and communication dynamics which can help us to better understand and perform in situations of (online) international or inter-sectoral collaboration. It is addressed to colleagues within the alliance who wish to think about and discuss this dimension of their work, with a view to **improving efficiency and confidence** in such situations. The main working language of the workshop will be English.

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### Workshop moderators:

**Dr. Lotta Kokkonen** is working as a senior lecturer at the Centre for Multilingual Academic Communication, University of Jyväskylä (JYU). She is teaching intercultural communication and her research interests include asylum seekers' and refugees' social networks and belonging, international students' wellbeing and social networks, and networking from a relational perspective. She is involved in curricula development for 'home internationalization' and a study programme for students going on an exchange. She is also coordinating a research project on highly educated immigrants' language learning and belonging (JYU).

**Dr. Alex Frame** is associate professor in Communication Science at the Languages and Communication Faculty of the University of Burgundy (uB, Dijon, France), where he runs the MA course in Intercultural Management. He is a member of the TIL ("Texte, Image, Langage") research group (EA 4182), where he specialises in intercultural communication, organisational communication, and digital forms of political communication. He is also the institutional coordinator of the FORTHEM Alliance at uB.

### Main target groups:

Researchers, project coordinators, early career academics, research support staff and students involved in **collaborating across cultures**

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### Agenda (all times in CET)

- 12:30-12:45** **Welcome and introduction to FIT FORTHEM**  
Organizer: Katarzyna Molek-Kozakowska
- 12:45-13:30** **Experiences in international cooperation: expectations vs. reality?**  
Moderation: Lotta Kokkonen and Alex Frame
- 13:30-14:15** **Identity, communication and culture.**  
**Culture as an explanation and critical perspective on culture**  
Moderation: Lotta Kokkonen and Alex Frame
- Health break**
- 14:45-15:30** **Language, power and multilingual communication**  
Moderation: Alex Frame and Lotta Kokkonen
- 15:30-16:30** **Stereotypes and preassumptions in communication**  
Moderation: Alex Frame and Lotta Kokkonen
- 16:30-16:45** **Wrap-up and ideas for the multilingual glossary of terms related to the topic**  
Organizer: Katarzyna Molek-Kozakowska