

MINT Pre- Forum workshop: Blended learning | The use of technology in MI learning

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Description of the workshop

In this interactive and hands-on workshop we will:

- Define what we (MINT members) mean when we use terminology like 'eLearning', 'online learning' and 'blended learning'
- Explore the different formats of using - mainly internet-based – technology to support learning MI
- Aim to come up with some 'best practice' criteria when using any of these internet-based technologies in learning MI
- Start to actually build an eLearning module together:
 - Subject: to be determined by participants. (Suggestions: - A brief intro to MI, – Reflective listening, - E-P-E in healthcare communications)
 - Language: English. And at the same time keeping our options open for other language versions.
 - Functionalities to be included:
 - PowerPoint presentations with voice-over
 - Video demonstrations/simulations
 - Text
 - Photo's/images/graphics
 - Questions for participants (multiple choice and open ended)
 - Webcam exercises (videotaped patient statements, on which participants can respond. Responses are recorded for self-assessment and trainer-led feedback)
 - Trainer/coach feedback system (responding to participants' answers to questions and feedback on webcam exercises)

Learning outcomes

Participants will jointly discuss & create an understanding of the various formats in which internet-based learning can be used to facilitate the learning of MI, and hopefully we will come up with some 'best practice' criteria.

We will jointly design and actually start producing an eLearning module, which includes a number of interactive functionalities (see above).

Depending on the quality of the output (an actual working eLearning module), participants and facilitator might propose to the BoD of MINT to make this module (and future extensions if possible) available to the entire MINT membership, and maybe even beyond...

Duration of the workshop

- Pre-workshop email circle:

Participants will actively engage into a pre-Forum email circle, starting 4-6 weeks before the onsite workshop. Besides an opportunity to 'getting to know each other', we will also prepare for the workshop itself, by getting familiarized with the software we will be using to design an actual eLearning module. The facilitator might even organize a videoconferencing session (of about one hour), depending on the wishes of the group.

- One day onsite in Malahide.
The morning will be dedicated to 'setting the stage' and discuss the various formats available, and to start making a plan (pre-production) for the design of the actual eLearning module. We might decide to jointly start producing one module, or split up in smaller groups and produce one module per subgroup. The afternoon will be entirely dedicated to producing an actual working eLearning module.
If need be, final tweaking can be done after the workshop, since participants will all remain to have access to the module(s) after the workshop.

Facilitator

Rik Bes and [co-facilitator TBD]

Participants

Participants should be willing to:

- Participate in the Pre-Forum email circle
- Bring their laptops or tablets, including any materials they are willing to share
- Actively contribute to the process in both morning session (discussion and pre-production) and afternoon session (actual production, in small teams/groups)
- Potentially share the final result with MINT, as a joint effort of workshop participants & facilitators

Technical matters

As we will be actively and jointly be using the internet, all participants should be able to have a good quality (Wifi) internet connection available for the duration of the workshop.

The facilitator (also administrator of the eLearning module to be built) should preferably have access to the Internet via high speed wired connection.

Audio-visual equipment

- Video recording equipment (plus essentials) will be available through the facilitator.