10:00 OPENING

Dirk van der Mark (EADL President), Jørgen Grubbe (Nordic hosts)

10:15 ENGAGING LEARNERS IN A 100 YEAR LIFE: GER DRIESSEN

The future is hard to predict but some trends are not. Being aware of 'hard trends' and 'soft trends' can be very helpful to prepare for the future. We know about the 'hard trend' that people in Europe are living longer and longer and that a 100 years life will be no normal for those born today. We also know the 'half time' of knowledge is decreasing: almost nobody can build a full career based on their initial education.

During this session we will explore:

- Hard trends versus Soft trends and their implication for understanding the future
- The trends that influence the 100 years life and the decreasing half time of knowledge
- Implications for a working life and the role of learning
- Opportunities to engage learners during their learning journey in a 100 years life

Ger Driesen, Learning Innovation Leader, aNewSpring

11:00 CURRENT AND FUTURE TECHNOLOGICAL DEVELOPMENTS FOR ENGAGING THE DISTANT LEARNER: SUSAN ALDRIDGE (ONLINE PRESENTATION)

In contemplating the future of "connected" teaching and learning, there are more than a few forward-thinking institutions in the process of inventing it, using an array of innovative practices and engaging technologies, such as virtual reality, holography, and robotic telepresence. This narrated video presentation will showcase a few of the many ways these technologies are being effectively optimized for teaching and learning, in universities and training institutions around the world. In doing so, the audience will actually see these tools in action, while exploring why and how they are rapidly reinventing distance education in the digital age.

Susan Aldridge, Senior Vice President for Online Learning and president of Drexel University Online

11:30 ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE + VIRTUAL REALITY = INTELLIGENT VIRTUAL ENVIRONMENT: ROY CLARIANI

This presentation brings together in lay terms the recent engineering plus availability advances in both artificial intelligence and computer graphics focused on how these can apply in online learning settings. The presentation will start from what is available now on to likely BlueSky alternatives in the mid- and far-future.

Roy Clariana, Professor and Faculty member, Department of Learning and Performance Systems at the Pennsylvania State University

12:00 LUNCH