| **Features** | **GCconnex** | **E-School Blogger** |
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| Blogs under… | * Individual profile * Within a group | * Individual profile |
| Subscription | * Individual blog: by adding colleague – with notifications * Within a group: by joining the group – with group notifications | No |
| Notifications | In *Settings*. Option to receive notifications or group notifications on GCconnex, by email, by both, or none | No. |
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| Choice of language | No. The blog is posted regardless of the language it is written in.  Note: Blogging in a formal capacity, in E-School OR in GCconnex, should be in both OL. The fact that there is no language choice in GCconnex just means that the language of the interface doesn’t sort the language of the content. | Yes. Option in a drop-down menu. Selecting a language will result in publishing the post in the appropriate version of the site (French or English) |
| Summary function | Yes, in *Excerpt* field | Yes, by clicking *Edit summary* |
| Editor | By default, basic WYSISYG options available | Options in Editor depend on format chosen:   * Filtered html * Plain text – no editor * Full html |
| Html option | If you know html coding, you may use it in the editor.  You can also click on the html button to work in an html friendly window. | * Filtered html * Plain text – no editor * Full html |
| Preview option | Yes | Yes |
| Save Draft option | Yes (Status menu, choose *Draft*) | No. |
| Comments on/off option | Yes | No. Comments always on. |
| Hyperlinks | Need to be inserted (emails and hyperlinks don’t become clickable once the blog is saved) | Web page addresses and e-mail addresses turn into links automatically. |
| Images | Yes. | Only in Full html format. |
| Tags | Yes. | No. |

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| Deleting a blog post | Yes. Click X button (option available with one click) | Yes, Click Edit, then Delete |
| Audience – who can see | Access can be set to:   * Private * Logged in users * My colleagues * Public * Group members * Any other circle created | Any user logged into the E-School |
| Posting comments | Option available if turned on by blogger (See *Comments on/off option* row).  Text editor available | Option always available  No text editor. |
| Replying to a specific comment | No | Yes. Click on *Reply* next to the comment you wish to reply to. |
| Moderating comments | Group blog: owner and operators have the right to delete or edit comments.  Individual blog: blogger can delete comments. | No – feature part of future enhancements |
| Sorting comments | Yes. By oldest or newest first. | No. |
| Option to “like” a comment | No | No |
| Option to “like” a post | Yes | No |
| Previous posts | Previous posts by individual or within groups are centralized under *Blog* or *Group blog*. | Previous posts by individual are centralized under contributors list (left side menu) – with number of posts published to date. |
| Archives | Archives displayed by month on the right side menu (not by topic) | No |
| Trending topics | Displayed on the right side menu (not clickable) | No |
| Latest comments | Displayed on the right side menu (clickable) | No |

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| Search | GCconnex main search function will search in blogs and by tags (among other things). If the key word is in a blog post, the blog post will appear in the Search results (under blogs) | Main search function will search in blogs (among other things). If the key word is in a blog post, the blog post will appear in the Search results (blog entry tab) |
| RSS feed | Yes | No |