

### PERSONAL INFORMATION

## **Betty Smith**

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Gender Female | Date of birth 01 March 1975

### JOB APPLIED FOR

# European project manager

## **WORK EXPERIENCE**

## August 2002 - Present

## Independent consultant

**British Council** 

123, Bd Ney, 75023 Paris (France)

Evaluation of European Commission youth training support measures for youth national agencies and young people

## March 2002 - July 2002

## Internship

European Commission, Youth Unit, DG Education and Culture

- evaluating youth training programmes for SALTO UK and the partnership between the Council of Europe and European Commission
- organizing and running a 2 day workshop on non-formal education for Action 5 large scale projects focusing on quality, assessment and recognition
- contributing to the steering sroup on training and developing action plans on training forthe next 3 years. Working on the Users Guide for training and the support measures

### October 2001 - February 2002

## Researcher / Independent Consultant

Council of Europe, Budapest (Hungary)

Working in a research team carrying out in-depth qualitative evaluation of the 2 year Advanced Training of Trainers in Europe using participant observations, in-depth interviews and focus groups.

Work carried out in training courses in Strasbourg, Slovenia and Budapest.

## **EDUCATION AND TRAINING**

## 1997 - 2001

# PhD - Thesis Title: 'Young People in the Construction of the Virtual University', Empirical research on e-learning

Brunel University, London United Kingdom

## 1993 – 1997

# Bachelor of Science in Sociology and Psychology

Brunel University, London United Kingdom

- sociology of risk
- sociology of scientific knowledge / information society
- anthropology
- E-learning and Psychology
- research methods

### PERSONAL SKILLS

## Mother tongue(s)

English

### Other language(s)

UNDERSTANDING		SPEAKING		WRITING	
Lis	tening	Reading	Spoken interaction	Spoken production	
	C1	C2	B2	C1	C2
	A2	A2	A2	A2	A2

French German

Levels: A1/A2: Basic user - B1/B2: Independent user - C1/C2: Proficient user Common European Framework of Reference (CEF) level

## Communication skills

- team work: I have worked in various types of teams from research teams to national league hockey. For 2 years I coached my university hockey team
- mediating skills: I work on the borders between young people, youth trainers, youth policy and researchers, for example running a 3 day workshop at CoE Symposium 'Youth Actor of Social Change', and my continued work on youth training programmes
- intercultural skills: I am experienced at working in a European dimension such as being a rapporteur at the CoE Budapest 'youth against violence seminar' and working with refugees.

## Organisational / managerial skills

- whilst working for a Brussels based refugee NGO 'Convivial' I organized a 'Civil Dialogue between refugees and civil servants at the European Commission 20th June 2002
- during my PhD I organised a seminar series on research methods

### Computer skills

Creating pieces of Art and visiting Modern Art galleries. Enjoy all sports particularly hockey, football and running. Love to travel and experience different cultures.

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Driving licence

A, B

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

## **Publications**

Betty Smith. How to do Observations: Borrowing techniques from the Social Sciences to help Participants do Observations in Simulation Exercises. Coyote EU/CoE Partnership Publication, 2002