



Leonardo Da Vinci partnership project Project

A European qualification framework For practice and training in Animal Mediated Assistance and Therapy (AMAT)

Activities of the Dutch Partner organization



The Dutch Foundation: Nederlandse Stichting Helpen met Paarden – Equithérapie SHP-E(NL)

A Dutch national foundation promoting science-based equithérapie (equine assisted therapy) and therapeutic riding, SHP-E(NL) is a non-profit organization with the following objectives:

- Make therapeutic riding (equine assisted therapy) better known in the Netherlands and Benelux
- Offer comprehensive training and advanced training for equitherapists SHP-E(NL)
- Assure the quality of equithérapie provided by equitherapists SHP-E(NL) trained at the Foundation
- Use public relations to inform about the characteristics of quality equithérapie and properly trained equitherapists to help clients choose the right therapist
- Raise funds to support socially and financially weak clients in need of equithérapie
- Conduct negotiations with insurance institutions, health insurance funds and government agencies regarding insurance cover of equithérapie provided by certified and registered equitherapists
- Participate in international cooperation projects for assuring and enhancing the quality of equithérapie training (the Foundation is an associate member of FATP, an initiative of German-speaking countries and the Netherlands aimed at promoting equine-assisted therapy)

The organisation has developed a training and organisation system for Equitherapists who may use the certified name and logo **Equitherapist SHP-E(NL)** only if they conform to a system of training, supervision an quality standards and to the ethical code of SHP-E(NL). The therapeutic quality of the horse is described as a systematic and central factor (intermediate) within the therapeutic process.

Stakeholder: Dr.Ulrike Thiel

Developmental psychologist, clinical psychologist, psychotherapist, equestrian sport psychologist, training remedial riding and vaulting (ÖKThR), instructor for the disabled (ÖKThR), amateur riding instructor (FENA), vaulting instructor (FENA), educator Equithérapie (SHP-NL), trainer B and vaulting, Xenophon trainer classical riding culture, dressage judge basic level. As a PhD in psychology she worked in (learning and therapy) research, after several jobs in her own practice, and in the clinical, scientific and university area, as prison psychologist, court appraiser and psychologist for youth care. Since 15 years she manages her own institute 'HippoCampus', institute for Equithérapie and equine sports psychology. Since 25 years she lives in The Netherlands, where she and her 7 four-legged co-therapists practice Equithérapie and she trains Equitherapists SHP in SHP-E(NL) (Stichting Helpen met Paarden – Equithérapie). She is chairperson of SHP-E(NL) and member of the board of the FATP and specialized in the psychomotor skills of riding and the harmony between man and horse in leisure, sports and therapy. Ulrike Thiel is a champion of horse-friendly training methods and attempts to practically and theoretically carry out and support this form of harmonic cooperation with the horse.

Activities of SHP and Productions submitted by SHP for the LDV Project in chronological order

Partner meetings	Workshops and courses offered to partners in NL	Working meetings in smaller groups	Productions made by NL or in cooperation with NL	Activities between the meetings in NL	Meetings with NA in NL
22-27.1.2010	Starting up Activities for the project with Margueriete Weits visite to Strasbourg				
Persons involved	Ulrike Thiel preparing meeting with Marguerite Weith				
Activities	Some telephone discussions and preparation of meeting Ulrike Thiel Visiting Fitram and the European Parliament Producing the text for the application form Submitting exciting frameworks as starting up idea for the project SHP should do the coordination in this project and offer parts of the education for Equitherapists to students. Presenting the Certification system as good practice in Equitherapy.				
Productions	<i>Project plan and objectives in application form Submitted Certification System SHP Quality comparison framework for EAT activities and educations from Ulrike Thiel</i>				
September 2010	Start of the project				
18.19.9.2010	1st Partner Meeting France organized by Fitram;				
Persons involved	SHP represented by Ulrike Thiel				
	SHP brought in a Power Point presentation about her activities and about the project Brought in quality framework to collect criteria for AMAT framework Offered to make introductory letter for survey				
Productions	<i>Production Power point presentation about SHP and the project Table of Quality comparison framework</i>				
22.9.2011	Meeting National Agency: Project introduction Breukelen NL Ulrike Thiel				
Persons involved	Ulrike Thiel				
Activities	Instructions for arranging the project and financial and administrative rules were told. Ulrike gave an overview about the project. Questionnaire about the problems had to be filled in online.				
4.12.2010	Meeting Germany with Förderkreis				
Persons involved	Ulrike Thiel/Stephanie Papendieck				
	Near Fulda Germany Topics: Introduction letter for Questionnaire Making plans for Questionnaire				
Productions	<i>Producing the Questionnaire (submitted in three stages to LDV list) Producing the introduction letter for the questionnaire (submitted 15 12 2011 to LDV list) Producing a list of all partners (submitted December 2011 to LDV List)</i>				
Activities in between	Taking place at different skype conferences of LDV				

26 januari 2011	Lecture of Ulrike Thiel at the AAIZOO in Utrecht to interest them for cooperation in our survey woensdag 26 januari 2011. Koninklijke Nederlandse Maatschappij voor Diergeneeskunde. De Molen 77 Utrecht
5 february	Ulrike Thiel meeting with board of AAIZOO making appointments about cooperation in the project and in survey
February 2011	Different meetings with Staff of SHP and lecturers of the van Hall Institute, the Wellantcollege and the Groenhorstcollege to prepare cooperation in survey (Leeuwuaarden, Utrecht, s'Hertogenbosch)
19 february 2011	SHP offers open day to inform SHP students en Members about project
26 januari 2011	Lecture of Ulrike Thiel Koninklijke Nederlandse Maatschappij voor Diergeneeskunde. De Molen 77
	Questionnaire is presented in electronically presentation by AAIZOO and SHP during 4 weeks
	Mailings to practitioners sent by different mailing lists to ask to fill in the forms.
January, February mart 2011	4 Meetings with Annet Geerlings to prepare and analyse the questionnaire 2 meetings with Marie Jose Enders Making appointments for questionnaire and poarticipation in LDV project
6.april 2011	Analysis Questionnaire Analysis meeting with appointment: Technical problems with Prenteon programme have to be solved Annet will present her results of her own project at the 3 rd partnermeeting meeting
1-8 april 3011	Ulrike takes over the data to SPSS and made frequencies and crosstabs analysis to prepare the first results for the second partner meeting
<i>Productions</i>	<i>Questionnaire in English submitted to LDV List Questionnaire in Dutch made up with Annette to foit for both projects English translation Dutch Questionnaire submitted to LDV Dutch electronic version Questionnaire submitted to LDV list</i>
8-10.4.2011	2nd partner meeting; Foerderkreis;
Persons involved	Ulrike Thiel
	SHP offers 4 th meeting meeting place Hippocampus The Netherlands in October 2011 First analysis of Questionnaire presented at the meeting
<i>Productions</i>	<i>Production First frequencies and first crosstabs analyses Questionnaire</i>
Work in between	Trying to prepare Working group Qualifications Because of Computer crash being induced by Drop Box 4 weeks data recovery necessary No answers of colleagues via LDV list no entrance to forum. Concentrated on preparation/ analysis of survey and questionnaire and collecting interested colleagues and students to fulfil tasks within the LDV project
	Mailings to inform students and partners about opened workshops for students and partners organized by SHP
Teambuilding in NL	Building up a team of members and assisting members and opening a special part within the website of SHP for all team members and diverse communication forms
10.4. – 10 6.2011	3 preparation meetings of SHP for the 3 rd partner meeting at HippoCampus
	Participants of the Dutch LDV Team and their function(s) within LDV Project :
	Ulrike Thiel
	Project Leider, SHP bestuur, verantwoordelijke tegenover National Agency Da Vinci, Groepscoordinator LDV Data Collection
	Agnes de Groot
	Lid SHP, Groepslid LDV Groep Definitions, Assiting Member LDV Groep Data Collection
	Maria van Eijk
	Student SHP, Assisting Team Member
	Tine Embrechts
	Student SHP, Assisting Team Member
	Tessa Wester
	Student , Assisting Team Member

	<p>uitgescheiden leden</p> <p>Anne KLoeck Lid SHP, Lid LDV Groep PR</p> <p>Annet Geerlings Lid adviesgroep SHP, Groepslid LDV Groep Definitions, advieslid LDV Groep Data Collection</p> <p>Marie Jose Ennders Lid adviesgroep SHP, Groepslid LDV Groep Definitions, advieslid LDV Groep Data Collection</p> <p>Three meetings of teammembers</p>
20,21 may 2011	SHP organizes workshop open for Partners:
	Workshop 20,21 mei 2011 (Symposium visited by 2 partners (Foederkreis) Nicole Brenk and Anchana Bose
	The working model of SHP was presented in theory and practice for students of SHP as refresher training and the training of the therapy horse was enlightened by three lecturers from the veterinarian, the trainers' and the equitherapists point of view
<i>Production</i>	<p><i>Report of the visiting partners</i></p> <p><i>Program of Symposium</i></p> <p><i>Power points of the lectures</i></p>
12 june 2011	Monitoring Meeting NA Utrecht Jaarbeurs
	Ulrike Thiel We were brought together with other teams of LDV projects and got tips and lectures for better communication and programs for administration and organization
16.17.7.2011	3rd Partner meeting; Stupava , Slovakia
Persons involved	Ulrike Thiel, Ann Kloeck, Annet Geerling, Marie Jose Enders Slegers, Annet Geerling
	<p><i>See report of the meeting Netherland offered participation in different working groups</i></p> <p><i>Anet hold a presentation of the results of her study</i></p> <p><i>Ulrike a Power Point about the steps to be done in Qualification and Definitions and how to go on with collection of data. Some opportunities were offered.</i></p>
<i>Productions</i>	<p><i>Presentation of the questionnaire results by Annet Gerlings</i></p> <p><i>Presentation of the aims of working group qualifications and Definitions by Ulrike Thiel;</i></p> <p><i>Submitting summary of questionnaire results</i></p>
Work in between	
20.7—10.9	Ann Kloeck and Marie José enders take part in some conferences on PR group
1.9.2011	Ulrike Thiel submits 100 photos for PR Folder
	3 Skype conferences and two meetings of Dutch Team
<i>Production</i>	<i>ZIP file with 100 selected photographs and drawings for PR</i>
<i>Production</i>	<i>Zip files with Photo's submitted</i>
16- 17.7.2011;	Slovakia; Meeting questionnaire; NL HippoCampus
Persons involved	Ulrike Thiel/Ivana Drobna
	Preparing the 1 st meeting of working group Data Collection and preparing internal part of homepage SHP for the use of Data Collection
<i>Production</i>	<p><i>Report of the meeting in NL by Michaela Drobna</i></p> <p><i>Programme for the 1st meeting</i></p> <p><i>Submitted papers for the 1st meeting Data Collection (criteria for questionnaire, Framework tabled) Homepage SHP for Data collection and communication forms</i></p>
28.8.2011	First Meeting Working group Data collection Belgie; ; Data Collection; Participants of the LDV Group Data Collection:
Persons involved	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Ulrike Thiel (The Netherlands - coordinator) 2. Fabienne Schoonheydt (Belgium) 3. Marie-Therese Kuypers (Belgium) 4. Michaela Drobna (Slovakia) 5. Stephanie Papendieck (Germany) 6. Stana Tilsova (Poland) not present <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tine Embrechts (The Netherlands - student)

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Agnes de Groot (The Netherlands- assistant member) • Tessa Wester (The Netherlands - student and assistant member)
<i>Productions</i>	<i>Notes of the 1st meeting Data Collection</i> <i>Report on Homepage SHP</i>
Work in between meetings	
	Making an internal homepage for group Data Collection at the Homepage of SHP
	Making an internal communication system etc on this homepage
	see annex Homepage SHP
	Collecting international definitions and all definitions of SHP
	Meeting with Marie Jose and Margueriete
	Three Skype meetings of Dutch Team making appointments about further division of tasks
6.9.2011	Monitoring and control of state of the art at the NA Den Bosch Ulrike Thiel
	Presenting the work done until now, making appointments and planning the 4 th meeting in the Netherlands. NA offers publication opportunities and has had a look at our homepage in between. NA is content with the work and the documentation of our involvement in this project
19 8 2011	Workshop organized at HippoCampus trainings centre visited by two partners Förderkreis
	<i>Anchana Bose and Nicole Brenk</i> <i>Workshop of FATP organizations presenting parts of their Equitherapy philosophy</i>
<i>Productions;</i>	<i>Report of the visiting partners</i> <i>Programme of the Workshop</i> <i>Report and illustrations on Homepage SHP</i>
<i>22.8.2011</i>	<i>SPSS analysis of Dutch Data further worked out</i> <i>Meeting with Margueriete and Marie Jose at s'Hertogenbosch</i> <i>Contact with German speaking organizations to help with definitions and survey for our framework</i>
10, 11 9 2011	Slovakian colleague visiting examinations Equitherapy at HippoCampus trainings centre NL
Involved persons	Ivana Drobna Ulrike Thiel
	Ivana was present at the examinations() Supervisions) of the 1 st and 2 nd years exams and got an overview over the way of monitoring quality within the Equitherapists education SHP
<i>Productions</i>	<i>Report of Ivana Drobna</i> <i>Illustrated report on Homepage SHP</i> Ulrike Thiel submits her Boek Equitherapy SHP as PDF file to LDV List
13.10.2011	Meeting; Data Collection; in Slovakia
Involved persons	Ulrike Thiel ?Ivana Drobna
	Further worked on development 2 nd survey and submission forms
25-28 10 2011;	Poland; Data Collection definitions
Involved persons	Agnes de Groot Ulrike Thiel 27, 28 10 with Stana Tilsova
	Visiting Equitherapy centres in Poland and making appointments about helping with data survey with Anna Struminska head of the Hippotherapy national foundation in Poland.
<i>Productions</i>	<i>Report of Agnes de Groot</i> <i>Comments Stana Tilsova LDV list</i> <i>Photographic report</i>
Work in between	<i>Developing work on submission forms and Questionnaire and Homepage SHP (Ulrike Thiel, Tessa Wester</i> Diverse Skype meetings with Dutch Team Translation of polish documents Agnes de Groot Preparing Dutch Data Translation of Dutch Questionnaire into English Preparing Google Docs forms for meeting Preparing 4 th meeting with Moderators

	Evaluation form for evaluation of some points of our partnership project with Google Docs.
<i>Productions</i>	<i>Homepage SHP several parts for Data collection and Dutch Team Invoitation and Program for 4th Partner meeting Workshop preparation for 4th partner meeting Evaluation of Partner project (Google evaluation form)</i>
7,8,9 October 2011	4th partner meeting organized by SHP at the HippoCampus trainings centre ;
Involved persons	Ulrike Thiel, Tessa Wester Student, Maria van Eijk, Ann Kloeck, Annet Geerling
7 October	workshop for all partners and students organized by SHP
Involved persons	
<i>Productions</i>	<i>Power Point presentation Ulrike Thiel Workshop Programme Workshop Report workshop by Maria van Eijk Report with illustrations on Homepage SHP Report of the partner Meeting Report with illustrations on Homepage SHP</i>
In between	Ann Kloeck taking part on PR workgroup meeting
15.10.2011	Ulrike Thiel submits little stories for PR werking group
	Skype confereneces Dutch Team
<i>Production</i>	<i>Submitted little stories</i>
25-28 10 2011;	Data Collection definitions; Meeting in Poland
Involved persons	Ulrike Thiel Agnes de Groot
<i>Productions</i>	<i>Report from Agnes de Groot Illustrated reprot Homepage SHP</i>
11.11.2011;	Meeting Data Collection Definitions with Stephanie Papendieck Foerderkreis
Perons involved	Ulrike Thiel, Tessa Wester Student
	To connect Data Collection with Definitions Making forms submit a DVD with Definitions eand literature to Stephanie
In between	<i>Ulrike Thiel prepares all definitions from SHP and International approaches as word file</i>
<i>Productions</i>	<i>Notes of Meeting by Tessa Wester Developed a submission foirm for Definitions Productions Submission form for Definitions</i>
15-18.11.2011	Meeting Data Collection and workshop for Slovakian Equitherapists in Bratislkava
	Literature submission form and defining bibliographic data for submissions
Involved persons	Ulrike Thiel
<i>Productions</i>	<i>Report over development Data Collection and Workshop by Ivana Drobna Illustrated report Homepage SHP</i>
19.11.2011	2nd meeting working group Data Collection; Fitram;
Involved persons	Ulrike Thiel
	Preparing survey and analysis 2. Submission forms and state of the art
<i>Productions</i>	<i>Notes of 2nd meeting working group Data Collection Questionnaire Data submission forms submitted to LDV list</i>
24 2 November	Meeting Data Collection at HippoCampus centre
	Veronika Abelova Ulrike Thiel Tessa Wesyeter
<i>Production</i>	<i>Report of Veronika Abelova Complete list of Questionnaire criteria Questionnaire in Qword for translation Variables list and analysis overview for SPSS analysis</i>
25 26.11.2011	Veronika Abelova follows two days Equitherapy education at

	HippoCampus
Productions	Report of Veronica Abelova
	Illustrated report homepage SHP

Homepage SHP on English part connected with LDV Project

Site

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 - Questionnaire on AMAT
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- REGISTRATION 4TH MEETING
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 - Notes meeting 10 11 2011
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- PHOTOS LDV PROJECT
- COMMUNICATION FORM
- Open Reports and Notes

LDV report:

- Forms:
 - Evaluation form LDV project AMAT
 - Registration meeting and hotel
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 - SUBMISSION LDV DATABASE
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- Homepage SHP
 - 4th meeting of partners at HippoCampus
 - Dutch LDV team internal page
 - LDV group data collection
 - Leonardo da vinci project on AMAT
 - Literature connected to EMT
 - Photo's from LDV project activities
 - Dutch foundation page

- View homepage
- HTM files
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 - SHP workshop at the end 4th meeting

The screenshot shows the website for SHP-E (NL), the Dutch Foundation for Equine Assistance. The main navigation bar includes links for SHP Introduction, Documentation, Equitherapy, Equitherapist Training, Events and Trainings, Literature, Contact, International, and LDV-Project AMAT. The left sidebar provides a detailed menu with categories like Project Description, Literature, and Submission Forms for AMAT. The right sidebar offers options for posters, folders, presentations, and book orders. The footer features the 'liveEquity' logo and a search function.