ENHANCING STANDARDS OF
ASSESSMENT FOR HIGHER MUSIC
EDUCATION THROUGH
INTERNATIONAL DIALOGUE

INSTRUMENTAL/VOCAL TEACHER EDUCATION:

THE AEC POLIFONIA PROJECT

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#### The INVITE Working Group - Outcomes

- Set of national descriptions of music teacher training systems in Europe
- Handbook on instrumental/vocal teacher education including:
  - □ A mapping exercise of the current situation in Europe
  - Description of the latest trends in the profession
  - Set of competences for instrumental / vocal teachers
  - □ Future perspectives
- 9 site visits to higher music education institutions
- 2 conferences on instrumental/vocal teacher education

# Instrumental/Vocal Teacher Education: The AEC Polifonia Project

Mapping European Traditions and Practices in Instrumental / Vocal **Teacher Education** 

## Variety and Diversity

- National, regional and institutional practices
  - Educational goals
  - Teaching methods
  - Structures
  - Career options
  - Role of IVTE in Higher Education
- □ IVTE for national / regional labour market
  - Limited student and teacher exchange
  - Limited exchange between traditions

# Structure: Theory and Practice

- Educational theory: e.g. methodology, didactics, pedagogy, educational sciences, social sciences, psychology
  - general e.g. psychology
  - music specific e.g. music psychology
  - instrument specific e.g. piano pedagogy
- Educational practice: e.g. teaching practice,
   internship, practical training
- Connection and interaction

#### Structure: Curriculum content

- Options / specialisms
  - Early Childhood Music Education
  - Development of Musical Literacy
  - Didactics of Improvisation
  - Community Music Workshops
  - Teaching Children with Special Educational Needs
  - Music Therapy
  - Research Methodology
- □ Written thesis or dissertation

# Structure: Credits and weighting

- 1. Performance focus 4 16 ECTS, often elective
- 2. Integrated programmes 16 36 ECTS

3. Teaching certificate 36 – 60 ECTS

# Structure: Teaching practice

- $\square$  1 2 weeks to 3 4 years
- Supervision
  - Teacher / mentor
  - Conservatoire teacher

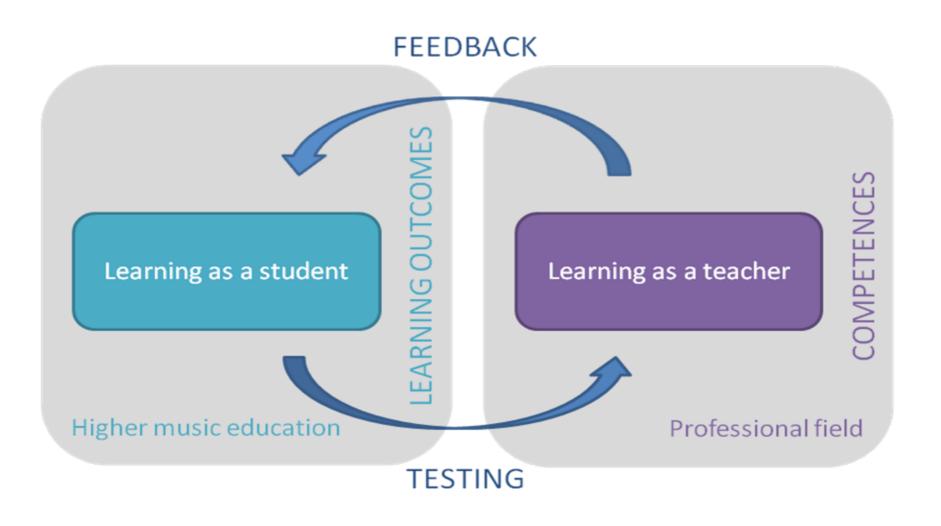
# Structure: Teaching practice

- Carried out by the conservatoire
  - Pupils recruited specifically
  - Pre-college department
  - Teacher training school
- Carried out in cooperation with music schools and other institutions
  - Partnership music schools
  - Independent placements
- Organised by students through part-time work in music schools

## Forces of Change in IV Teaching

- Goals for instrumental/vocal teaching
- Cultural policies:
  - Cultural diversity
  - Participation
  - Democratic control
- Impact of national music education systems

#### Competences and Learning Outcomes



#### **Emerging Issues in IV Teacher Education**

- Assessment
- Admission procedures
- Instruments and genres
- Formal and informal approaches to teaching and learning
- Professional development
- Collaboration with the profession and community
- Collaboration within the higher education institution
- Institutional and regional customs and values
- Student and teacher exchange