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PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITY FOR VICTORIAN ARABIC COMMUNITY LANGUAGE SCHOOL TEACHERS

The Arabic Language Teacher Network in cooperation with the Ethnic Schools Association of Victoria/ Community Languages Australia (CLA) conducted a workshop for all Arabic community language school teachers in Victoria at LMERC on Monday June 1, 2015.

The network, which is being facilitated by CLA/ ESAV is a group that meets to share experiences and offer each other support to ensure the quality of teaching and learning of Arabic progresses.

The presenter Hassan Alshakshir from Noon Arabic touched on the following areas;

- Understanding the role of a teacher Identifying unique aspects of the Arabic language that encourages students learn the language and eliminate the connotation of it being a difficult language.
- Identifying challenges with teaching the Arabic language.
- Key features of assessment and measurable progress.
- Creating and implementing lesson plans.
- Exploring the new teaching approaches applied in the Noon* series (new resource).
- Learning new tips on tackling common problems faced by students.
- Utilizing supplementary and innovative materials.
- Learning the main do's and don'ts of teaching, particularly in teaching Arabic.
- Being in control (class management).

"ESAV and Community Languages Australia are committed to providing teachers with the best strategies to make their teaching effective and to allow learners to remain interested. By bringing teachers and instructors together we offer professional learning and the opportunity to share expertise, knowledge and challenges," Stefan Romaniw CLA Executive Director said.

The next session will be held during Semester 2.

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*Noon Arabic has a new series of products for learning Arabic the easy way. The Noon Arabic Series is a revolutionary set of educational tools, professionally developed to teach Arabic to beginners in an easy, friendly and accessible manner. The carefully crafted set of books, charts and audio materials use simple and creative approaches to make learning Arabic for beginners easy and efficient