

IMPORTANT Information for all GOML Centres (Schools only) ***GOML goes electronic from Summer 2009.***

Dear Colleagues

You may already be aware that CCEA has developed an on-line system for the delivery, marking and moderation of GOML tests.

The on-line assessment system for Modern Languages uses the latest technology to bring state of the art tools and techniques to centres. It has been developed to enable the listening, reading and writing tests to be taken by candidates on-line, and subsequently to be marked using a combination of automatic and human marking. Approximately two thirds of the questions are marked electronically; the remainder are simply Text Entry questions, which require human marking in order to fairly assess the candidates' response.

Implications for Centres

All GOML centres will eventually be required to move to on-line delivery and marking. However, to facilitate centres, we are implementing a gradual roll-out of the on-line tests. In summer 2009, we offered German and Italian on-line. Spanish and French will follow in the Winter/ Spring series, 09/10. Finally French will be rolled out in the summer of 2010.

We would therefore like to encourage all GOML centres to commence transition to the on-line test as soon as possible. Training on the system has been offered already and will be repeated in the autumn term 2009. Please note it is **essential** that all centres send a representative from their school to the training. Dates will be posted shortly.

In order to assist centres in this transition, we will be offering both options – on-line and paper based for a short period.

Summary Plan for Implementation of OAS for Modern Languages		
Language	Target Date of First Phase	Cut-off date for Paper based tests
German	Summer 2009	Winter 2009
Italian	Summer 2009	Winter 2009
Irish	Winter 2009	Summer 2010
Spanish	Winter 2009	Summer 2010
French	Summer 2010	Winter 2010

Please note that this timetable is subject to change.

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