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A II over Europe, there is widespread need to detect and react properly to basic skills deficiencies shown by clients during early stages of social, vocational or educational counselling.

Since practically all people who are affected by reading and writing problems hide their deficits due to a feeling of shame and embarrassment, advisers working in these fields need to

be trained to employ strategies and methods to carefully unveil these facts without offending the social and cultural integrity of their clients.

The project "Support the Ways to Literacy" develops "Guidelines for Counselling Disadvantaged Adults" that will sensitize and inform advisers working in several areas about different aspects and phenomena of illiteracy or borderline basic

skills and, above all, the sociological and cultural background of people affected by it. In this way their knowledge about and awareness of different aspects of "functional illiteracy" shall be increased.

The project also develops a Curriculum for Training Seminars for Social and Vocational Counsellors, working with disadvantaged persons.







## BSOLE (Basic Skills On Line for Europe) is a web-based e-learning environment

which supports educational and training products for basic skills learners and their tutors. It is based on a system developed by CTAD known as the Cambridge Online Learning Environment (COLE). It has three parts:

- a web-based tracking and management system
- an online training program to help teachers get full use out of technology in the teaching of basic skills
- a suite of CD-ROM and web-based resources for assessing skills and teaching literacy and numeracy to adults.

The project proposes a European strategy for the publication of multilingual web-based educational and training products and services for learners with basic and lower skills.

The range of products and services in the market deployment phase will include authorable web-based tools which can be customised and adapted by teachers and learners in any European language.

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