

## Overview

- Blended Learning at Vienna University of Technology
- Blended Learning at dwh simulation-services
- Results of Survey for Quality Criteria in Tutorial Support

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## Vienna University of Technology

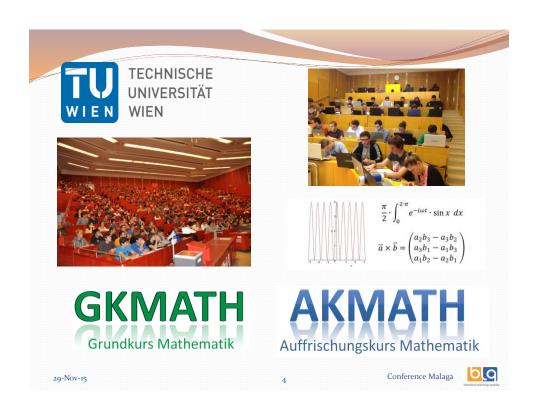


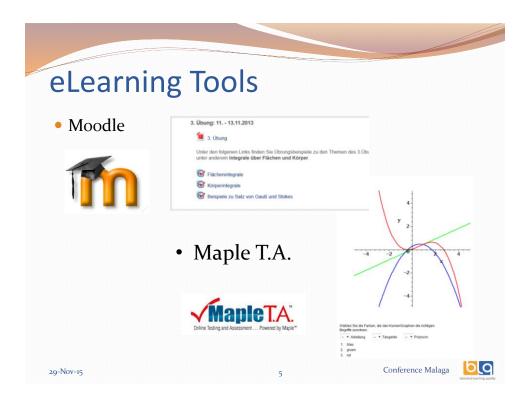
- since 1814
- 4.500 staff
- 28.000 students
- around 5.400 students every year

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# bLearning Courses

- Various courses for different mathematical levels
- Combination of lectures, exercises and elearning
- Merging administration to one platform
- Training events for tutors
- Integrating elearning tool into exercise hours

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## bLearning Results and Feedback

Questionnaire Results

4,02 can give an Overview of the topic

3,67 can work with an example of the course

3.7 use the learned methods

3,6 know which method for which problem

- Less learning before tests due to homework arrangement
- Immediate feedback due to self-assessment
- Practise tool for exam
- Time for questions before tests
- Constantly learning due to regular practice with preparation

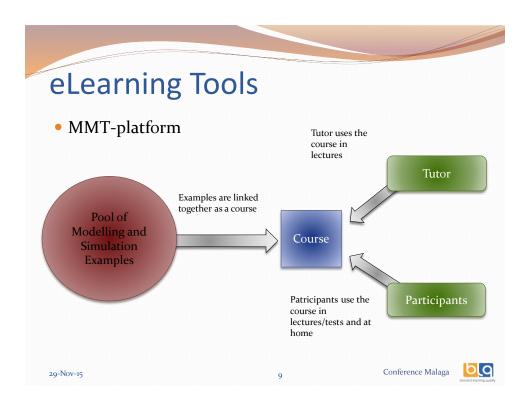
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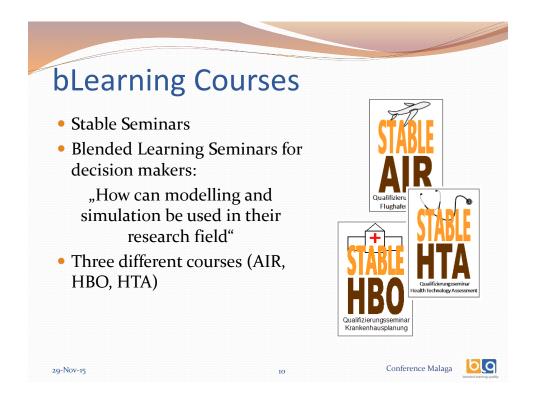
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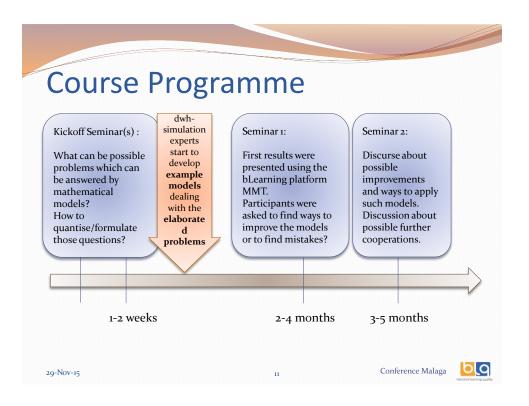
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# dwh simulation services 4 Mathematical Modelling and Simulation for Decision Making Company has a problem/question Company asks dwh to develop a simulation model is developed imitating reality The simulation results can be used to solve the problem





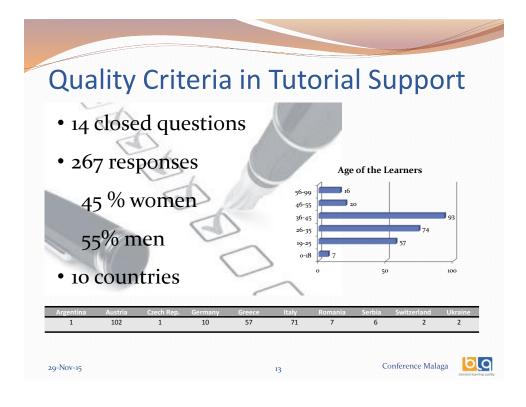


## bLearning experience of dwh

- E and bLearning platform development, maintainence, and user managment
- Lessions Learned from stable seminars:
  - Finding improvements or mistakes extremely motivates to work with a given bLearning tool
  - It is extremely important to work with a bLearning tool during F<sub>2</sub>F seminars – otherwise it will not be used (correctly).

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Question results	
Communication	
1. direct contact to instructor of the course in meaning of a hotl	ine
(especially learners 26-45)	3.11
2. standards for instructor responses and availability	3.44
3. instructional activities for achieving learning objectives	3.52
4. Which communication tool	Skype
Assignments/Homework	
5. time structured assignments restricted availablility	Yes (55%)
6. regular summary of the taken lectures and exercises	Yes (80%)
7. regular feedback progress in the course	3.28
8. How much time for an assignment	no limit (42%)
<u>Self-Learning</u>	
9. education material form (36-45 more text than others)	interactive (60%)
10. Importance of stated educational goals	3.47
11. Mulitemedia educational materials	3.26
12. possibility of a self-evaluation (women don't care that much)	Yes (78%)
13. visualization of your progress inside the course	3.25
14. anonymous effort comparison of all participants	2.87
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## Summary – Quality Criteria

### Technical issues:

- Lecture halls providing IT facilities connect face-to-face and e-tool
- Access to the online part of the course should be guaranteed for all students
- Availability of IT support for students (Email, Forum, etc.)
- Introduction in online environments for students
- Be aware of ICT Knowledge



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- Direct contact with defined availability to guarantee feedback in appropriate response time
- Offering educational materials in interactive and multimedia form
- Lectures are most effective using a combination of instructional strategy (discussion, group work, role play, games, etc.)
- Preparation of course in advance → formulate educational goals and learning objectives at course start → match expectations of learner and instructor (learning contract)
- Providing self-assessment tasks
- Visualization of learners progress in the course combined with a regular feedback of the instructor
- · Materials, tasks and assignments visible after dealing with the topic but accessible unlimited
- Time-restricted assignments (2-3 weeks) might be useful for quizzes regarding certain course sections
- Regular summary of lectures and exercises (additional links, materials for further reading/learning)
- Surveys in order to adapt the course structure to changing conditions
- Instructors and tutors trainings before starting the course
- Question time before exams and tests
- Offer an additional course regarding learning methods independent from subject matters

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