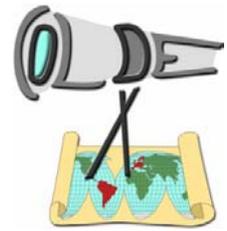


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Usability test LOR

This is the description of a sequence of tasks in order to test the usability of the webinterface of the learning object repository (LOR).

Preamble

Dear user,

please work on the following tasks. This is no competition or assessment of your personal achievements, but a test of the usability of the system.

Some hints in advance: Please write down the times when you start resp. end one task / subtask resp. the duration of each task / subtask (in minutes). Additionally, write down your thoughts during your work, e.g. "there is a link called `contact`, and another called `feedback`, I wonder which one is the right one if I want to send them an email". And now... let's start :-)

Name: _____ (female/male) Date: _____

* privacy policy: your data will be used anonymously, the name is only used for the grouping of several phases of the test

Computer experience: _____

* hours per week working with a computer / of these: internet use hours

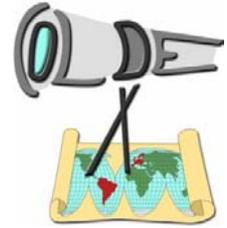
Role: _____

* e.g. student, teacher, organiser of workshops etc.

If you are a student:

Age / subject of study: _____

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Tasks

1. User registration
 - a. Register as a new user
 - b. Login and view your profile
 - c. Change your language (until you get the most convenient one for yourself)
 - d. Logout

2. Starting usage
 - a. Login

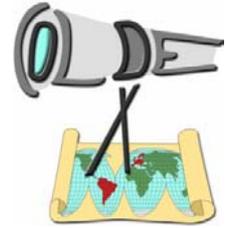
Attention: Do not leave this start page until "KLICK"

- b. Write down what you think you can do in this page (title "what is COLDEX?")
 - c. Write down if you have questions
 - d. Write down where you would like to go now (which link would you follow?)
 - i. Write down what you expect to see behind this link
 - ii. KLICK
 - iii. Write down what you actually see behind this link
 - e. Repeat d. until you have visited all pages which you have found interesting reading the links (max. 30 minutes browsing through the website)

3. Selecting your group(s)
 - a. Find out which groups there are in the website
 - b. Select one or more groups you would like to join
 - c. Write down which information was helpful for you to make this decision; were there particular problems?
 - d. Logout

--- Stop here, tell the administrator to ---
--- join you to your selected group(s) ---
--- and then continue with the tasks ---

5 Minutes break



Tasks

4. Working in a group
 - a. Imagine one of your selected groups which you want to work in for the next task
 - b. Login
 - c. Find the group you have determined before
 - d. Switch to the Cool Modes application and save the current document under a new filename on your local computer
 - e. Add this document to your group workspace within the website
 - i. Write down how you do this: step by step
 - ii. Write down if you have any problems, dead ends, questions, confusing links...
 - f. Find your document in the archive
 - g. Make sure that this document is now available for **all** registered users
 - i. Write down how you do this: step by step
 - ii. Write down if you have any problems, dead ends, questions, confusing links...
5. Searching for examples
 - a. Find documents which contain ...
 - i. ... a solution for the "escape-the-maze" problem
 - ii. ... a System Dynamics model with "velocity" as one part of the model

URL: <http://galileo.coldex.info:8080/coldex/index.do>

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