The participants: who is who?

Belgium

-Sara Geudens and Kathleen Heylen
(organising committee) teachers VGT and Deaf culture at the bilingual school for the Deaf, Kasterlinden – Brussels.

-Filip Verhelst
Frontrunner (www.fronrunners.dk) and teacher of Deaf culture (and VGT) at a school for the Deaf in Brugge and Hasselt (Spermalie and Kids)

-Diane Boonen
Deaf co-worker at Kids in Hasselt

-Gerrit Loots
Founder of the bilingual education of Kasterlinden and professor at the Brussels University (VUB)

-Danny De Weerdt
Student ‘Sign Linguistics’ at the university of Jyväskylä, Finland. Former teacher of Deaf culture and VGT at Kids in Hasselt.

-Damien Huvelle
Linguist working at PROFILS, Damien does research into education, interpreting and Sign Language in Brussels.

-Bruno Sonnemans
Works as a Deaf co-worker/teacher in a school in the Walloon province in Belgium.
- Claude Gerday
Claude works as a volunteer in Brussels, Profils (a Walloon organisation that does research into all aspects of LSF)

-Nancy Van Geel
Works as a Deaf co-worker in the secondary education of Kasterlinden.

-Kristof De Weerdt
He worked on a project at the university of Ghent that led to the online Flemish dictionary [http://gebaren.ugent.be](http://gebaren.ugent.be) Kristof is also active in spreading SW in schools for interpreters or for teachers of Deaf children.

**Germany**
- Stefan Wöhrmann
  (organising committee)
Psychologist who works at a school for Deaf children in Osnabrück. He has 6 years of working with SW in his classroom and a lot of materials.

- Ulrike Noack en Lars Majewski
She is studying to become a teacher for Deaf children, he is a computer (genius ;)) and Is developing SignWriter ‘Python’.

- Birgit Jacobsen
Birgit werkt aan de universiteit in Hamburg als vertaler.

Ireland
- Shane Gilchrist O hEorpa
  Works in Ireland to research and ‘promote’ NISL (Northern Irish SL). Organising committee.

Norway

- Ingvild Roald
  Teaches science to Deaf students for many years in Norway. Organising committee.

Poland

- Lucyna Dlugolecka
  Works as a translator German- English.

England

- Geoffrey Hunt
  Works as a coordinator for all Sign Language related issues.
- Trevor Jenkins
  Computer wizard ;) and a student of Deaf studies. Organising Committee.

**Holland**

- Suzanne Pach and Marjolijn Schoemans
  Students at the college of Utrecht, Bachelor ‘NGT teacher’.

**Switzerland**

- Daniel Noelpp
  Computerwizz and creator of SignWriter ‘Tiger’.

**Italy**
-Barbara Pennacchi  
Computer technician and teacher of LIS, student at the uni.

-Alessio Di Renzo  
Teacher of LIS, student at the university.

France

-Juliette Dalle  
Teacher at a Bilingual school in Toulouse.

Canada
-Louis-Félix Bergeron
MA linguistics, and thesis on the importance of having a written system for SL.

Japan

- Midori Matsufuji and Kazuhiko Otsuka
Midori (right) teaching English to Japanese deaf college students.
Kazuhiko (left) research Associate for computer science.
The interpreters

Gerdinand Wagenaar (Holland) is a CODA (Children of Deaf Adults) who has many years of experience in interpreting in NGT and IS (international sign).
Mindy Brown an ASL interpreter, who has lived in Holland since she gave her ‘I do’ to Gerdinand ;).
You will find more information on Gerdinand and Mindy on www.talkinghands.nl.
Look for the shows that are coming up!

And last but certainly not least!!!
Valerie Sutton (no need of further introduction ;)
www.signwriting.org

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