Promoting CALL in Language Education- a Swedish National Initiative

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The purpose of this poster is to illustrate a national academic initiative to make Swedish teachers in higher language education more familiar with and interested in using CALL, computer-assisted language learning, in their teaching. Historically this is a group which has only brief familiarity with computers and mainly in word processing. How could it be that language departments and language teachers are so reluctant to use the new technology to support the students’ learning? As Sweden is a small country and Swedish not a major language in the world, it is essential for language education to be of high quality.

Our focus is on the process of enhancing the teachers’ skills, which started in 1996 with a peer-based reference and idea group, and includes an evaluation by Professor Peter Liddell, University of Victoria, B.C., Canada.