

# Blackboard > Collaborate >

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## **Agenda**



- BB COLLABORATE PLATFORM
- INTEGRATION WITH BLACKBOARD LEARN
- KEY DIFFERENTIATORS
- NEW FEATURES

#### The Blackboard Collaborate Platform™

#### web conferencing



Virtual classes, webinars, professional development, blended learning

#### voice authoring



Personalized coaching, Facilitate language study, voice feedback

## enterprise instant messaging



Impromptu meetings, one-to-one collaboration, student help and services

#### **Deep Integration with BbLearn VLE**

#### What our Clients Told us



Make common functions easy to use

Let sophisticated users do advanced things

Ensure an engaging experience every time

Improve visual appeal





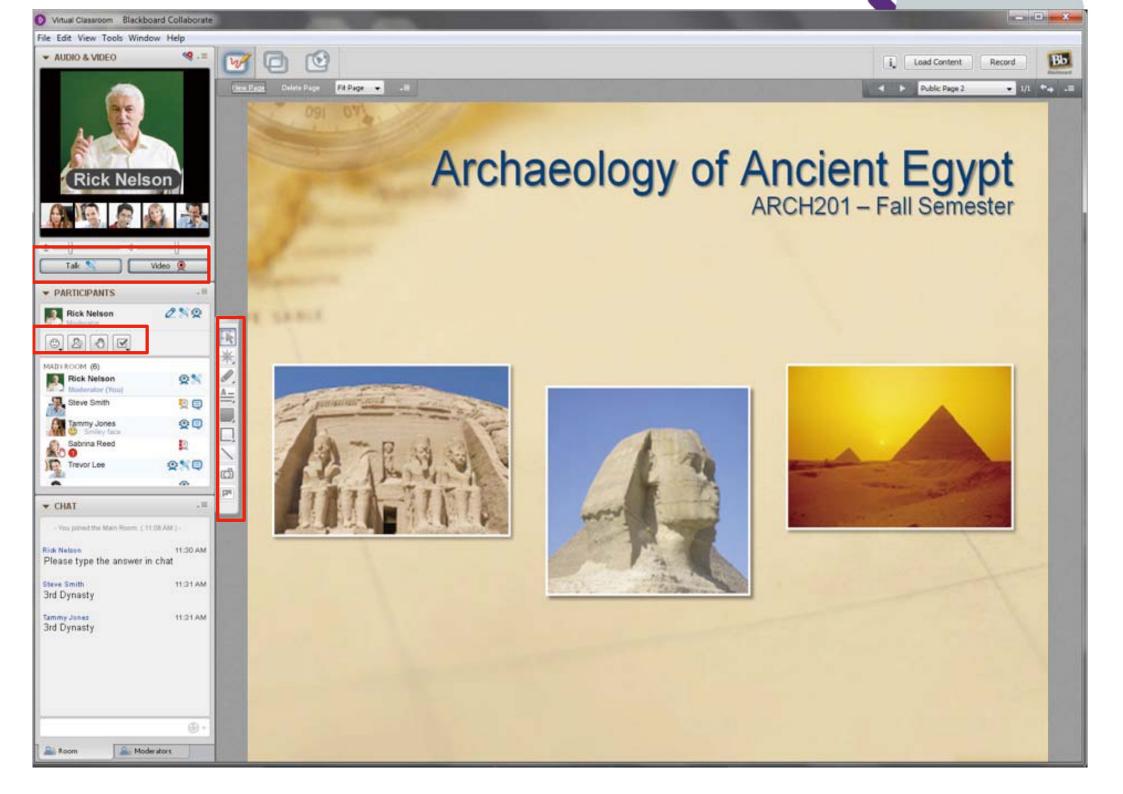




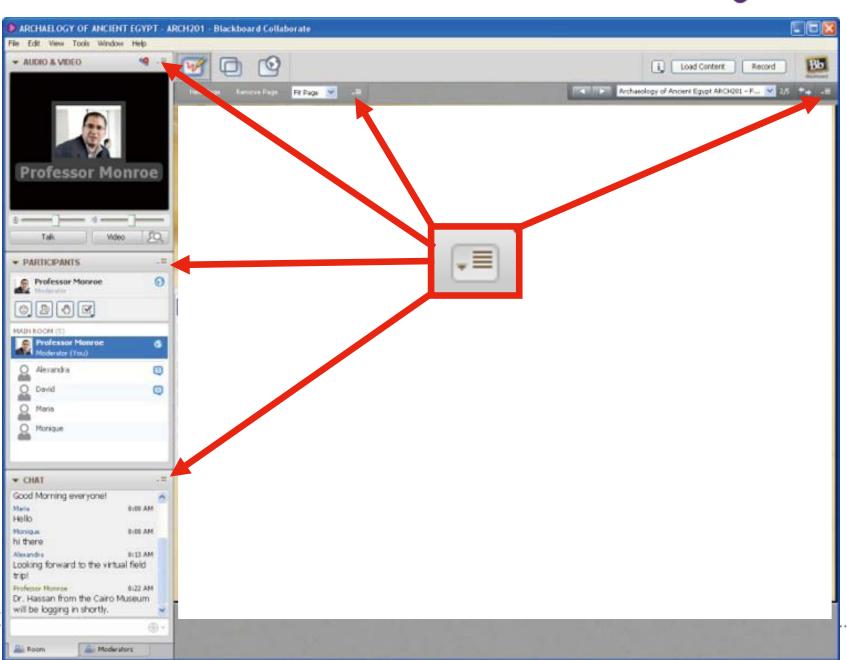




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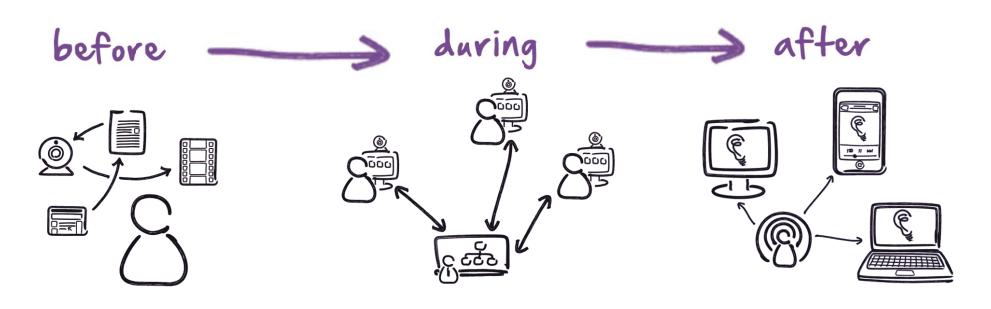
#### **Additional functions**





## Blackboard Collaborate: An Overview of Web Conferencing Capabilities

## A Holistic Approach to the Learning Processes



Session Planning Publishing

Web Conferencing

#### **Scenario**



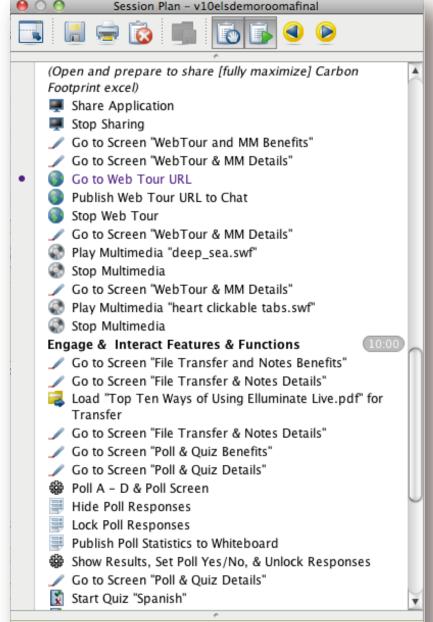
#### Senior Researcher / Academic

- Non Techno Savvy
- Loves student engagement
- Group activities

#### But

- No time for detailed training
- Cannot remember technical details
- Doing a session from home

## **Session Planning**





- Offline, desktop authoring
- Activity Based
- Share Best Practices
- Refresh and Re-use
- Intuitive

Takes the focus away from the technology

## Impacts of PLAN



- Share Best Practices
- Consistency and Continuity
- Eventualities and Staff Turnover
- Less Training and Technical Support
- Adoption Rate

## Wide Spectrum of Collaboration:

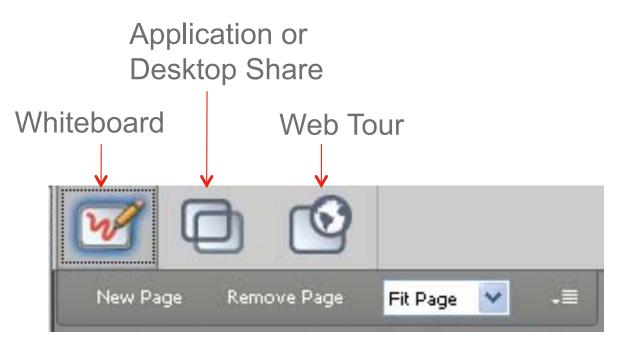
#### **Enhanced Video Communication**



- Multi-Point
- Follow-the-speaker
- Desktop setup
- Leverage existing classroom audio and video equipment

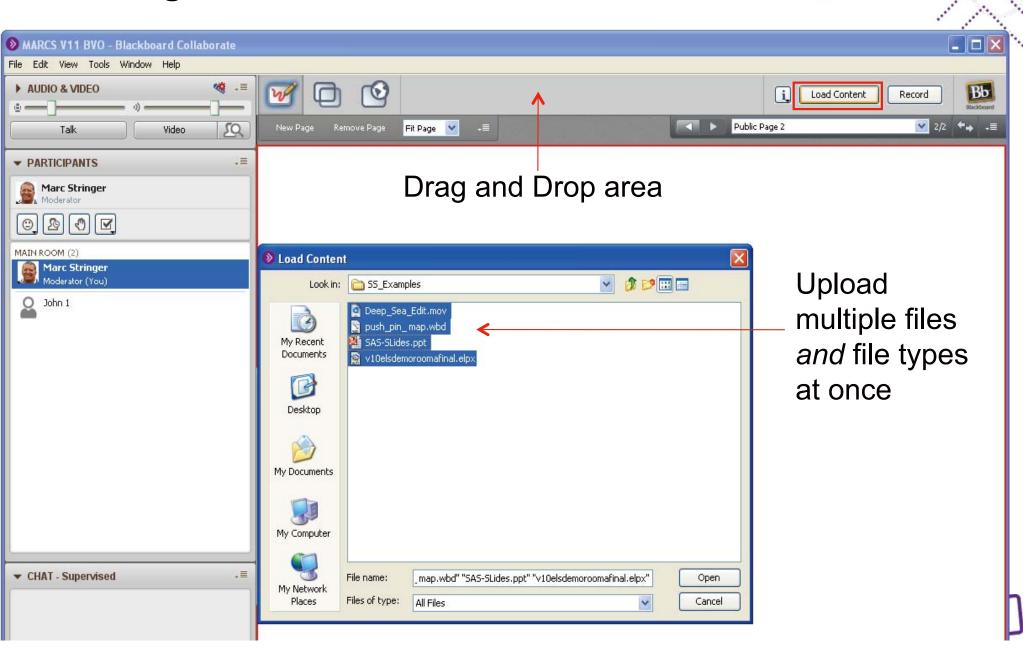
#### **Making Simple Things Easy**



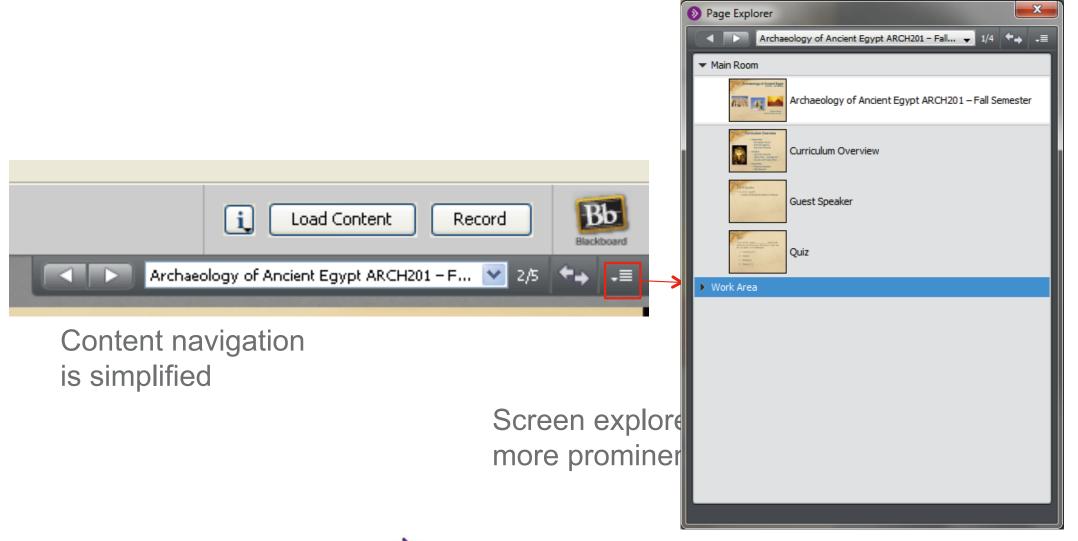


Common actions are easier to access

#### **Loading Content**



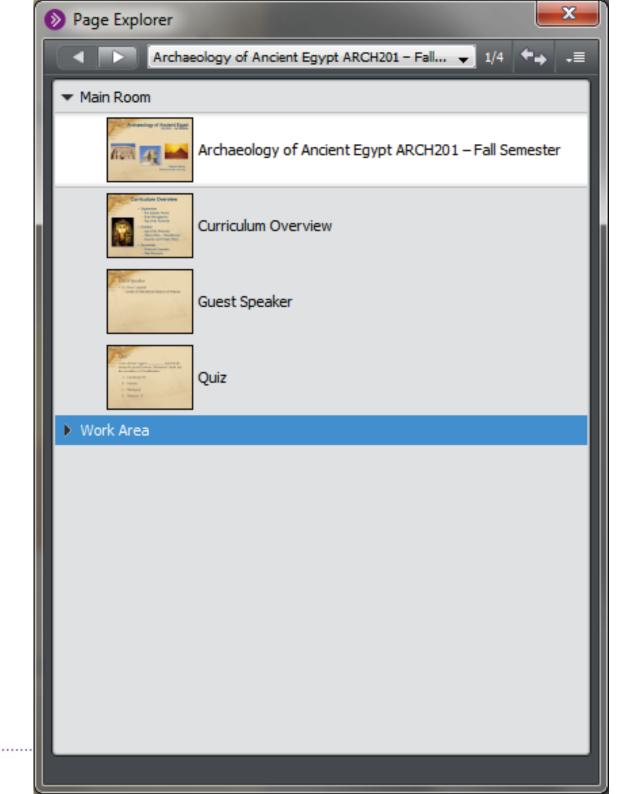
**Moderator Navigation** 



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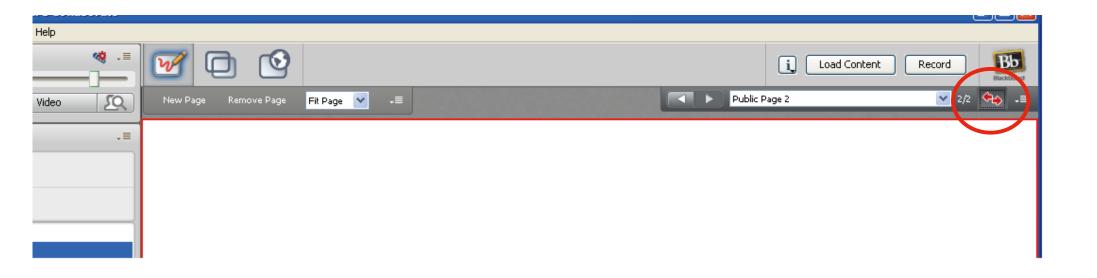
## Navigate Content Workflow

- Page Explorer



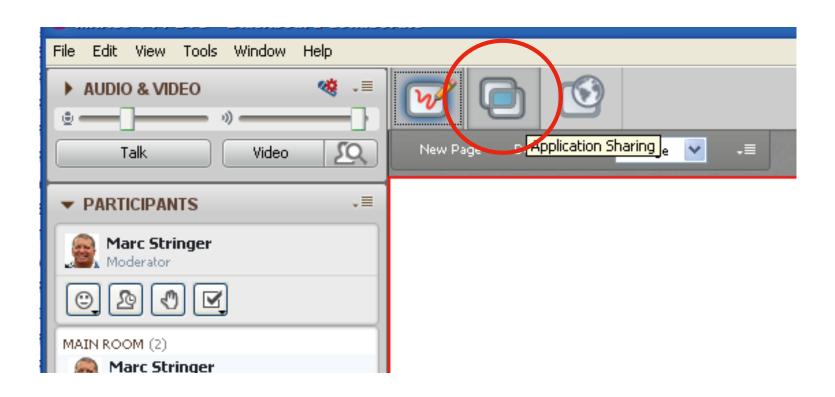
## **Private Roaming**





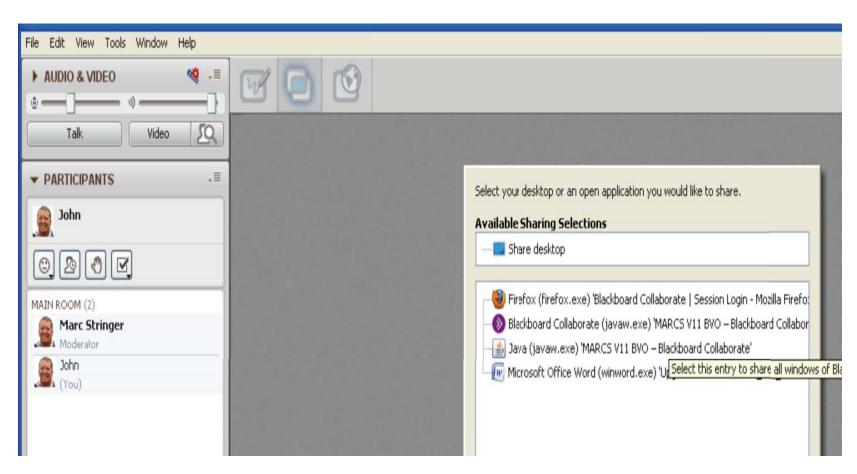
## **Application Share**





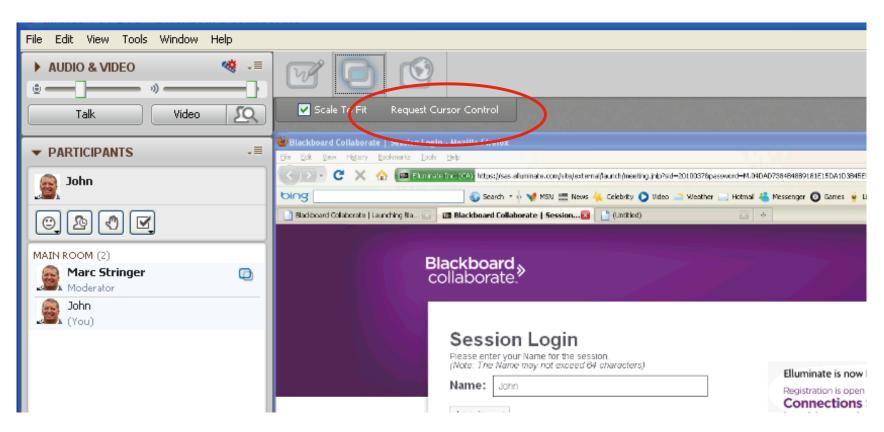
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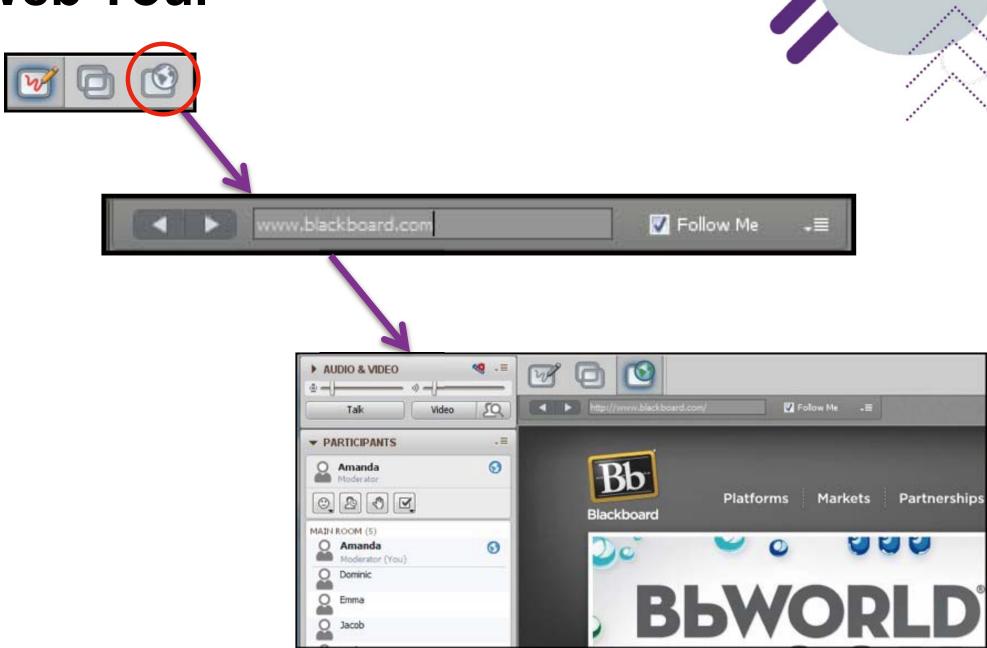


## Participant request control



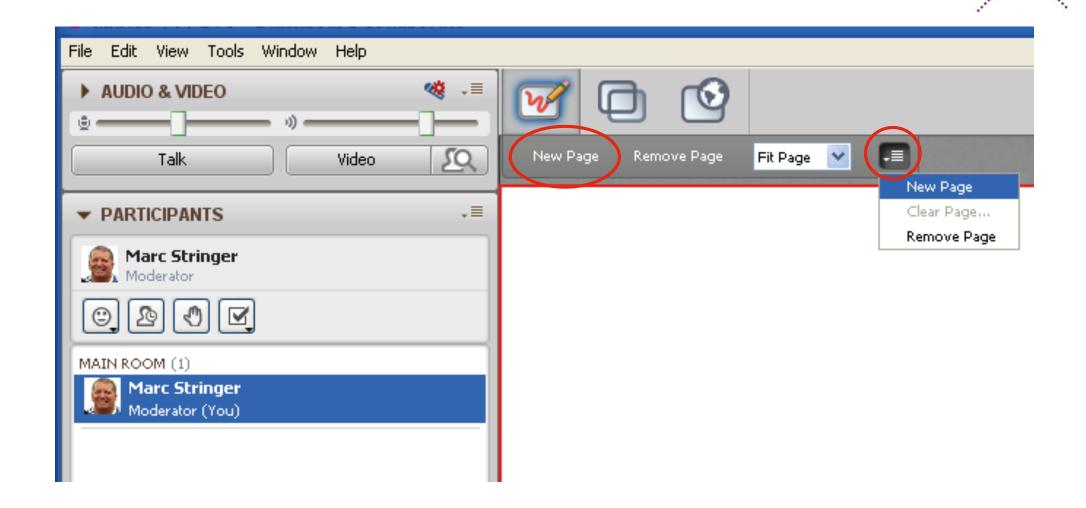


## **Web Tour**

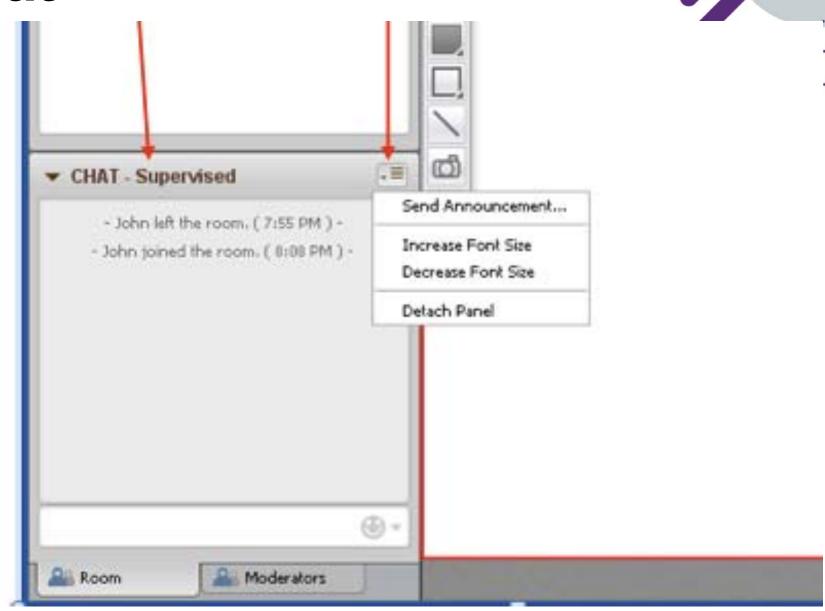


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## Object Oriented Whiteboard



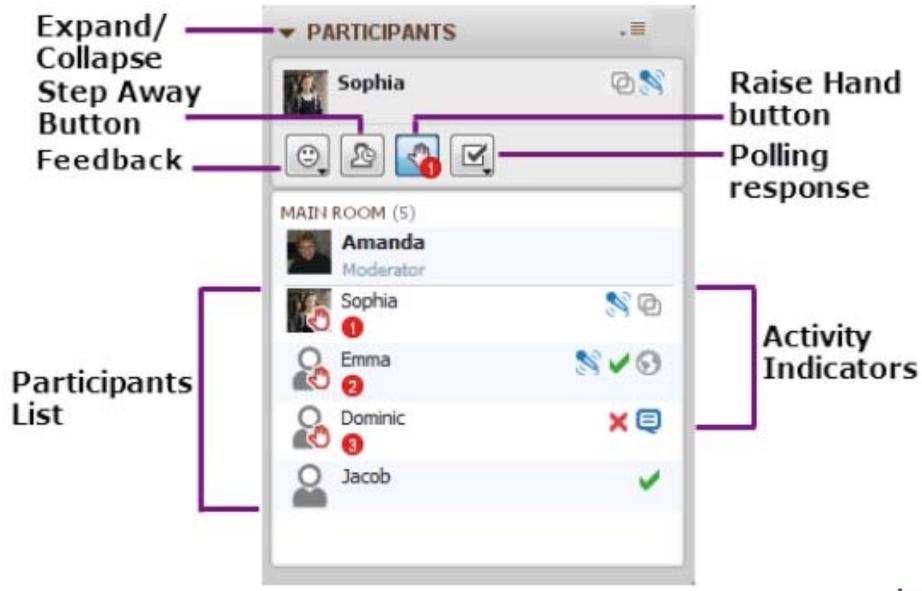
## Chat



#### **Activity/ Session Management**

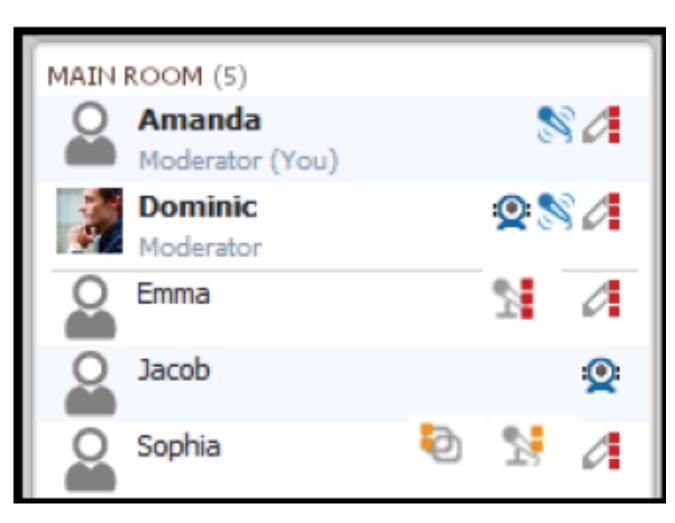
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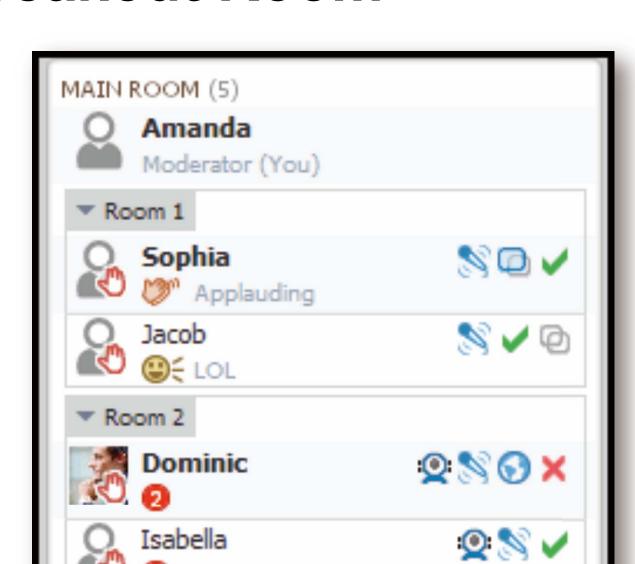


#### **Status Indicators**



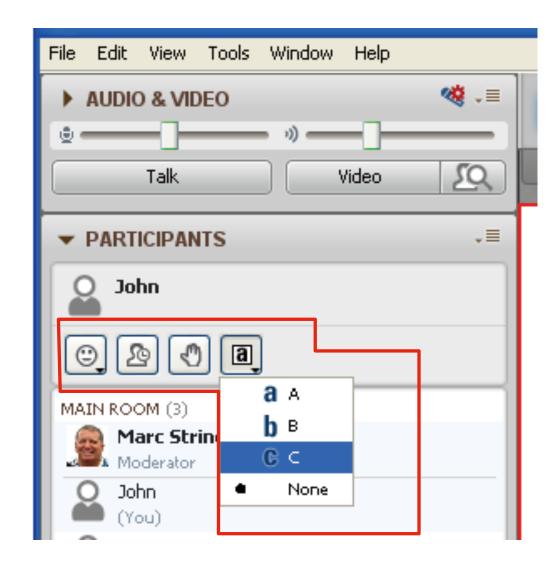


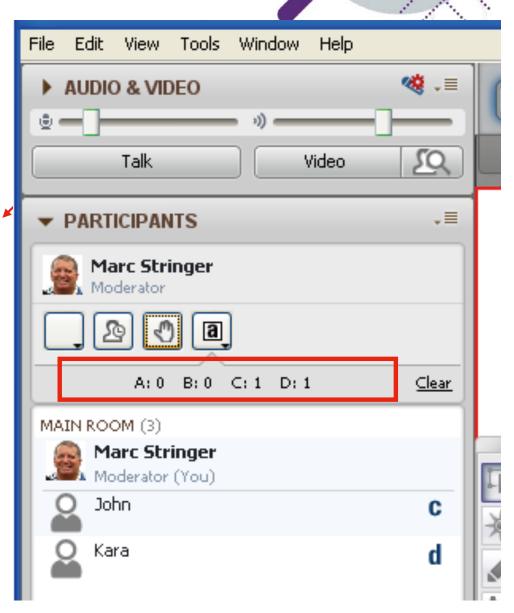
### **Breakout Room**





## Polling, Hand raise





## **Bandwidth Management**



- Individual Bandwidth Management
  - Optimizes data stream specifically for connection speed of each individual. (28.8K modem or fast speed LAN)
  - Automatically compensates for individuals on low speed connections
- Intelligent, real-time, <u>individually</u> optimized data streams preclude the need for pre-distribution of session materials
- Video files Played at the same time for all users regardless of their internet speed

## **Publishing Archives**



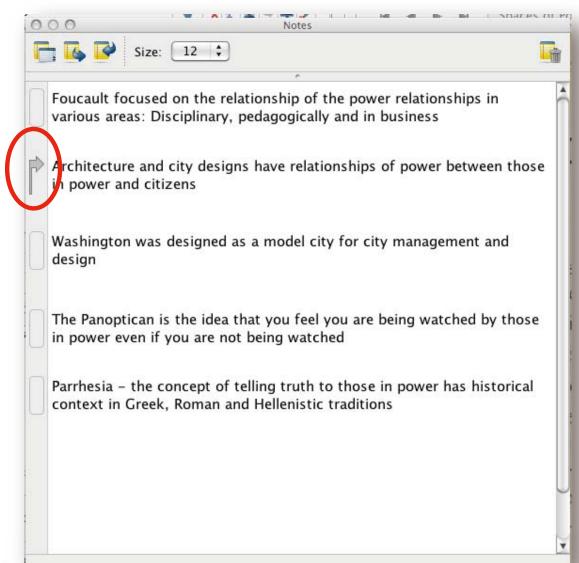






- Play on your owntime on your own device
- Create high definition Podcasts, Vodcasts or Standalone recording
- Video File Formats WMV. FLV, MOV, H.264, MP4, AVI
- Audio File Formats MP3 (32, 64 kbps), M4A, Ogg Vorbis, WAV

## Synchronized Notes – Reflective learning / Revision





## Priority One - Accessibility Focused

## No user left behind, with the Collaborative Communications Framework



## Supporting the needs of users with different disabilities

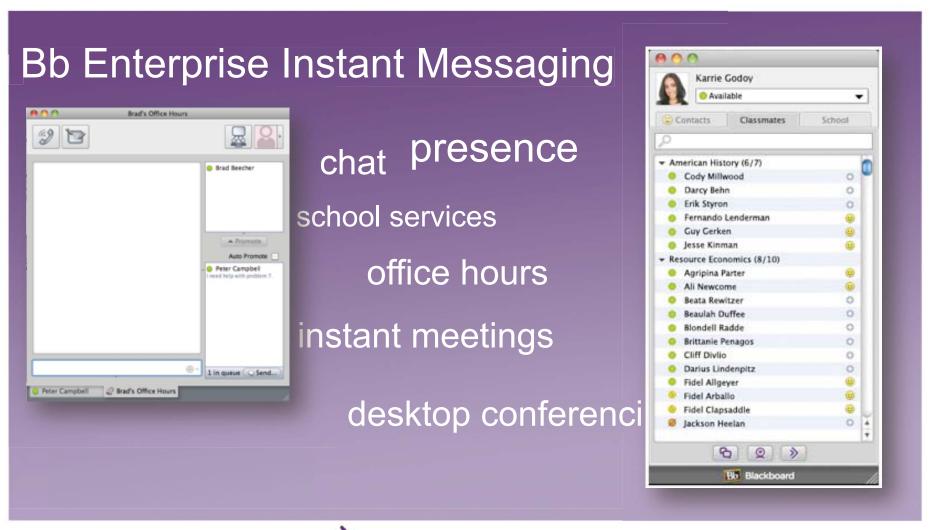
- Multi-Source Closed Captioning (saved in recordings)
- Screen reader support: menus, dialogues, slides, and more!
- Keyboard navigation for menus, navigation, & common functions
- Scaling of content areas
- Inheritance of color contrast settings

## **Key Differentiators**

- Education Focused
- Deeper Integration with VLE/LMS
- PLAN for ease of use
- Bandwidth Management
- Accessibility
- 24/7 Tech Support (Phone, Email)







#### Wide Spectrum of Collaboration:

#### **More Choices for Informal Collaboration**

#### **Enterprise Instant Messaging**

- Informal meetings
- Office hours
- School services
- Desktop video conferencing
- Student-to-student interaction



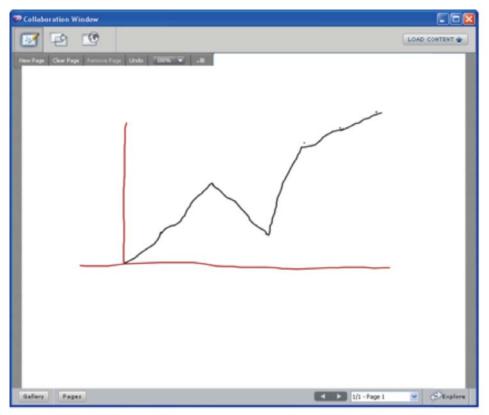
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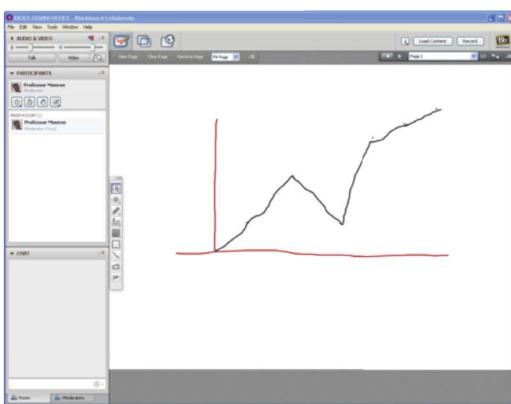
#### **Streamlined Interaction Flow**



#### Improved User Experience:

### **Consistency Across the Platform**





Sharing a whiteboard across the platform

### Voice tools



Webconferencing (Synchronous)

Voice (Asynchronous)



- Learning Design Sync & Async Activities
- Student Engagement
- Timely Feedback
- Completes the Learning Cycle

### Increasing the use of human voices for remote learning -Students



- "The voice board helped to add an interesting humanizing dimension and 'breathed additional life' into the learning programme."
- "I thought it was just an excellent way to bring the course to life really. The interactive nature, the voice, even though it wasn't in real time [was] very useful. It takes you one step closer to be in a seminar kind of environment. "
- It's so interesting, ... the world does seem much smaller.

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# Increasing the use of human voices for remote learning - Moderators



- "I found this very stimulating. I really enjoyed hearing the voices of the students. Often this distance course feels quite remote because we are just in communication by writing. [But with the voice board] it sort of would come to life. We could often measure the degree of emotional involvement of some of the students."
- "I like it very much. It brings a personal motivating element to the learning process."

## Advantages of voice- over textbased communication - Students



- "Messages are a lot clearer in voice communication, whereas they can be misinterpreted when you use text only."
- "Of course with voice, you get a better idea about people's attitudes and opinions on things as well".
- "It challenges me to articulate my points. Points that are quite easy to make on paper can be quite difficult to do in real time by voice."
- "I just think it's really good. It stimulates the discussion it. It stimulates the knowledge. So I do feel that I read a lot more than I know I did for the regular structured activities in Module 1 and 2."

### Assessment through interactive

#### tasks

- "it was possible to offer students more feedback (it is quicker) by voice) and a greater variety of feedback from peers compared to text..."
- "Something like this [voice boards] is great because not only you get constructive feedback from the tutors, you get it from your classmates too."
- I feel I'm actually doing more reading than I was actually doing for Module 1 or 2 just because there are added inputs to require more information..."
- "It was really cool just to listen to people's views on the things that we are all reading, and some interesting topics. We had some great discussions, and some good feedback from each other..."

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# Increase the quality of provision by providing timely assessment feedback

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LJMU is leading developments in the use of audio technology to provide formative feedback on assessment to students.

Lecturers George Macgregor and Chris Taylor, in the Liverpool Business School, use BbC Voice Email for audio feedback.

Delivery of timely and relevant feedback is seen as a key priority for enriching student learning.

Timely feedback also has significant effects on outcomes and makes assessment for, rather than of, learning.

# Attract, retain and support quality staff - Support CPD



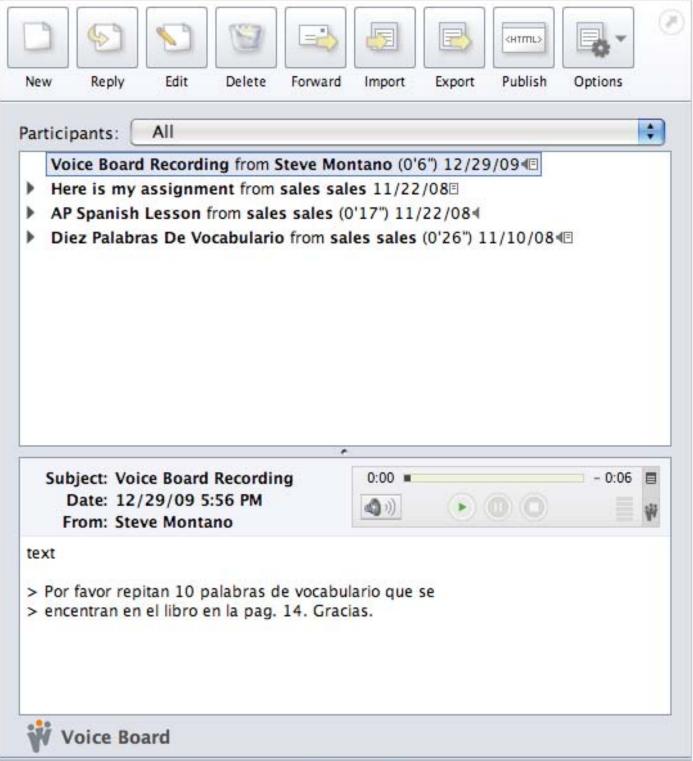
Our VLE's ability to support innovative teaching and learning has received a major boost by the release of a suite of voice tools developed by BbC."



Andy Ramsden, Learning Technology Adviser & VLE Operational Manager.

- Provide online professional development and training sessions.

# Voice Board



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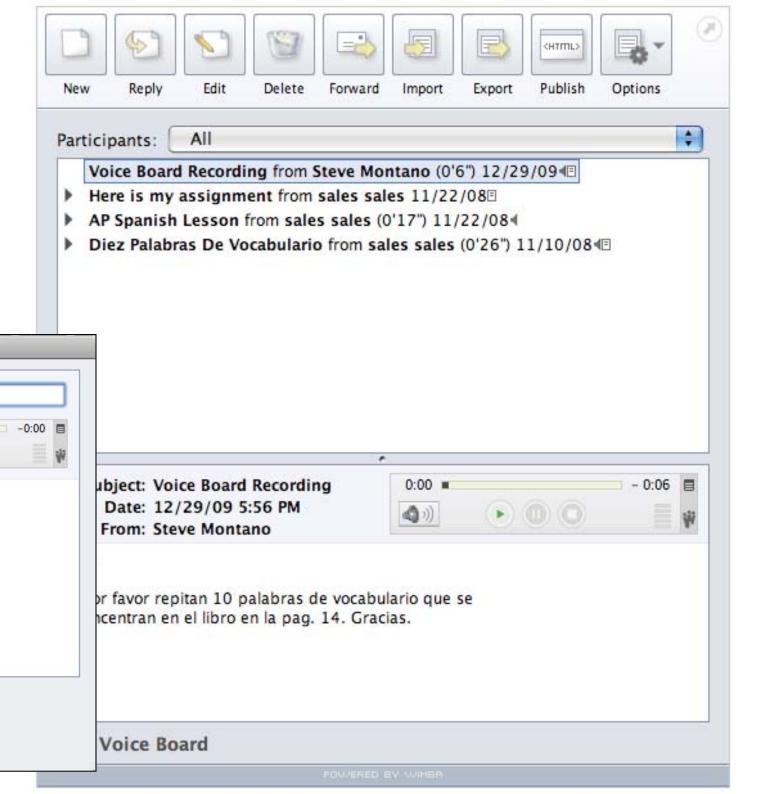
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Post



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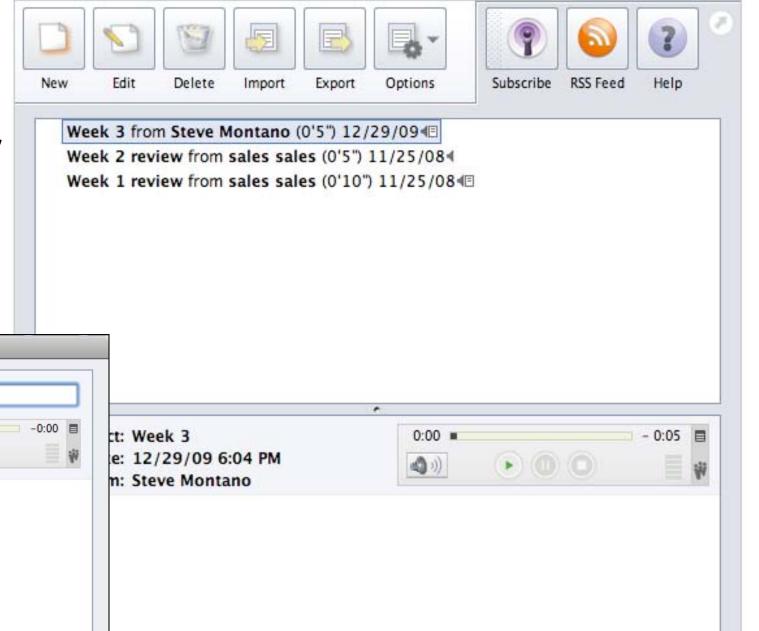
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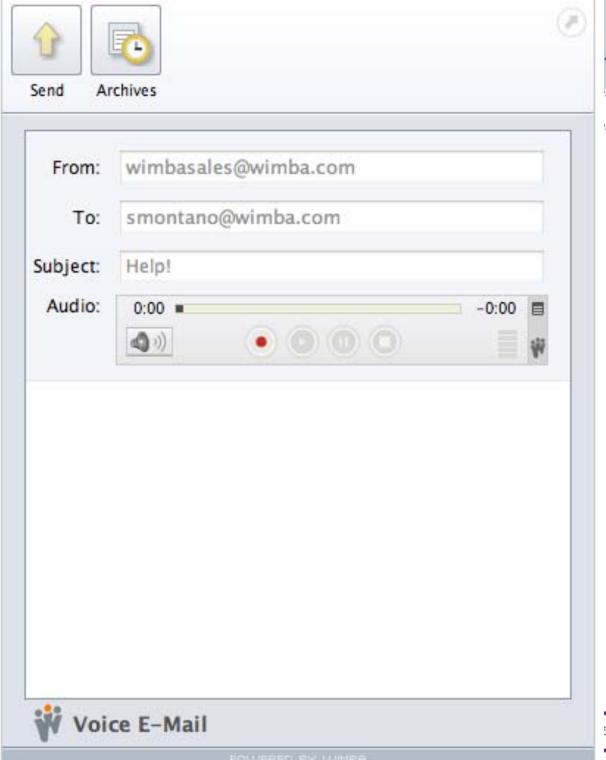
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### **Voice Email**

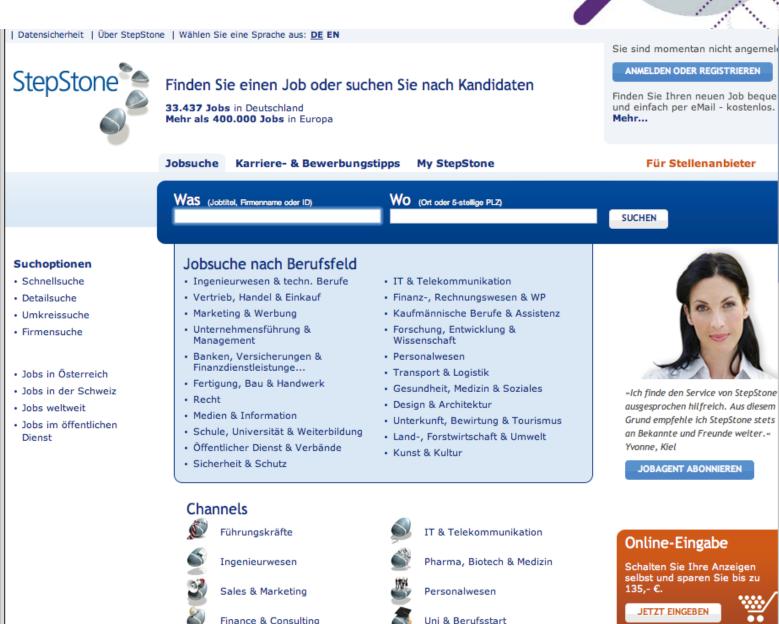


### **Voice Presentation**





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