

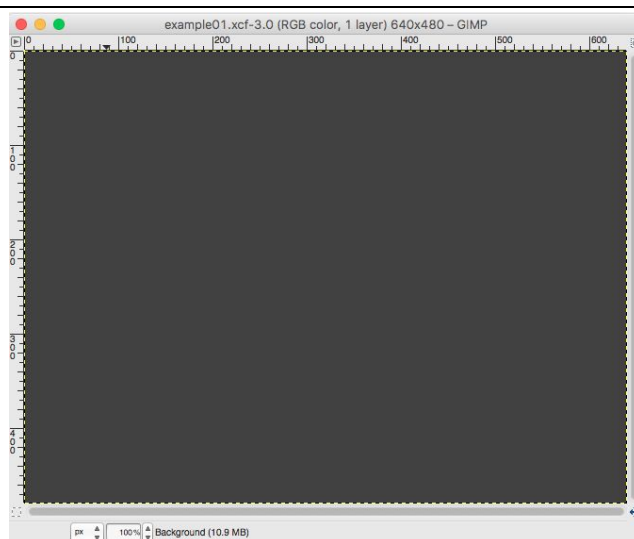


CREATING A SIMPLE LOGO WITH GIMP

OBJECTIVES: Learn more about the use of Gimp
Use the Gimp to create a logo

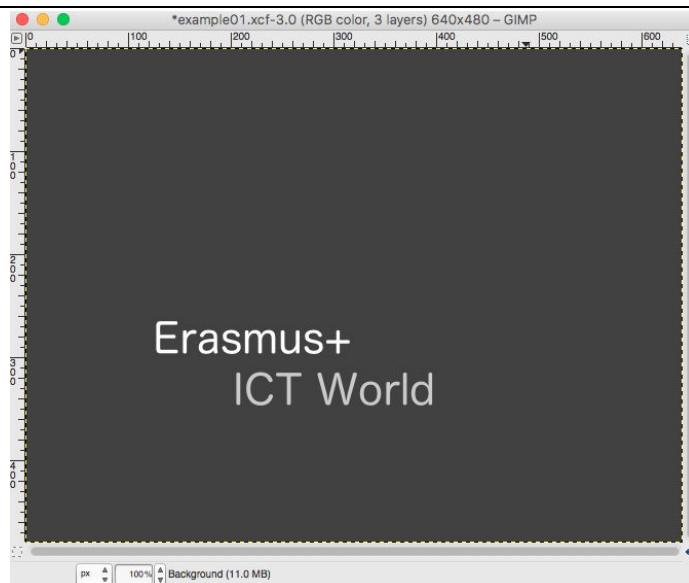
EASY WAY TO CREATE LOGOS WITH PATHS

1. Create a new file. We use a small size 640x480 pixels. Fill the background with one colour.



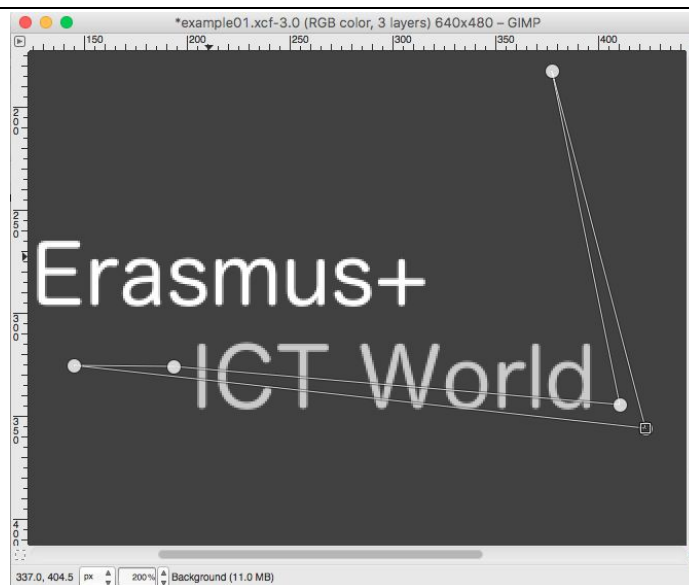
2. Now write two text-pieces on the layer. Text Erasmus+any color and ICT World with color. Deactivate the "hinting" –option, since it is only useful for small fonts.

Take the Move-Tool and put the text to the position shown on the picture below.



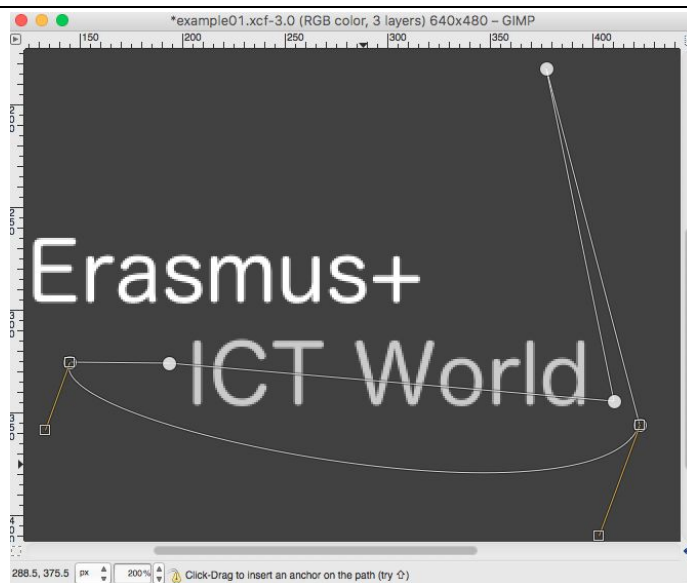
3. The next step is to create a path, so that our text more becomes a real logo. We will draw a nice curved "thing" ;) around our text.

To do this please take the paths-tool (B). Start clicking in the bottom left until you have the same points as seen on the picture. We have set the opacity for "design" very low to better show you the points we made.

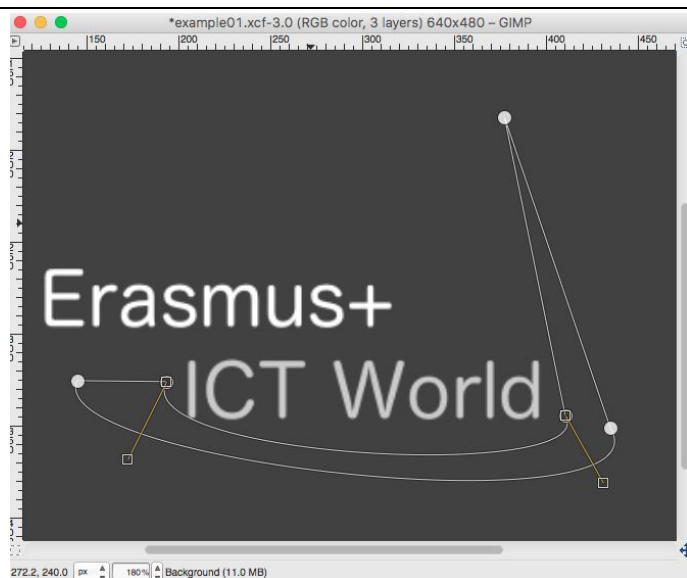


4. When reaching the first point, hold CTRL to unify the last point with the first. You should then have a fully closed path. You can still move points around if you're not satisfied with your path.

After completion move the bottom edge downwards (click in the middle of the edge and drag it to the bottom). It should be a curve now!

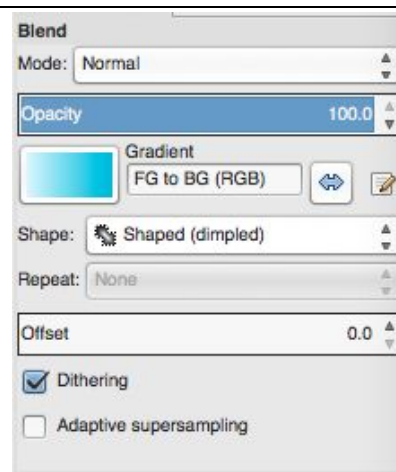


5. With the two dashed lines appearing now you can affect the curve. Drag the left dashed line a little more to the middle, it should become more even. The right dashed line move a bit to the right. If you look at the line above the dashed line should become one long even line. After that take the edge that above the line we just adjusted. Move the dashed lines as seen in the picture!



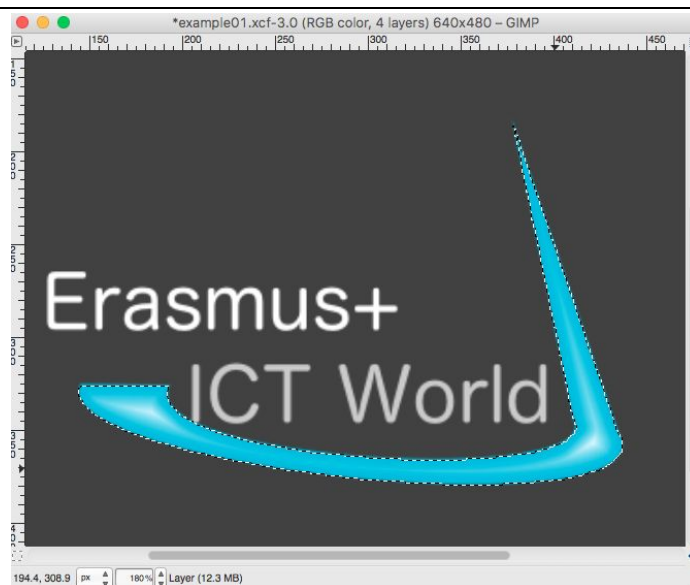
6. Click ENTER now and you should get a selection of the path.
 - create a new, empty layer
 - set a colour
 - take the Blend Tool

Look at the settings on the picture!

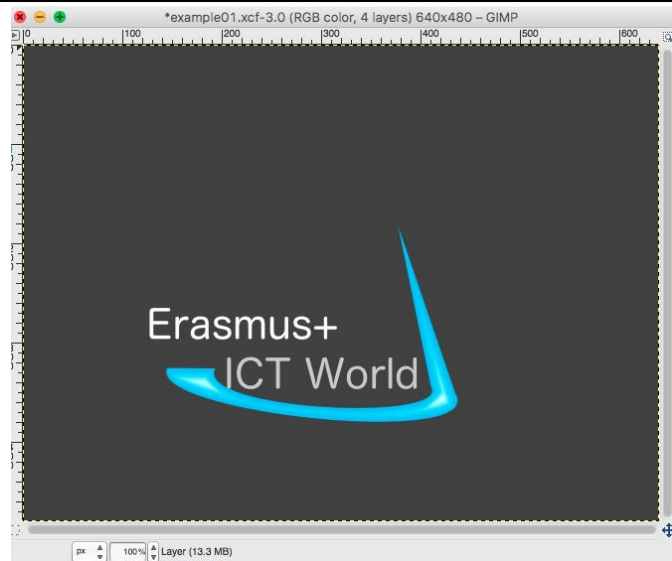


7. Now draw the gradient anywhere on the layer, doesn't matter where. The selection is then filled with the gradient.

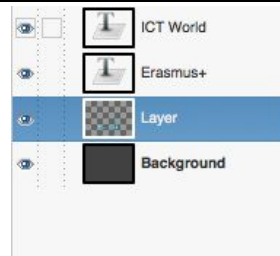
Press CTRL SHIFT A or go to Selection / None to deselect all.



8. Colors: Brightness & Contrast.



9. Layers look like this at the moment:



10. Now we add a small shadow to give the logo more depth.

- right click the layer with the colored form in the layers-dialog.

- "Alpha to Selection"

- add a new layer below the form-layer.

- fill the selection with black and set the opacity of this layer to 25%.

- take the Move-Tool now, in the settings select "Move the active layer" and then move the layer a bit to the bottom!

And here you can see a logo that we have designed using the GIMP.

That's all! We hope you like it!

