

Minutes

1. Welcome to participants by Chair Jackie Marsh

2. Adoption of agenda

Conclusion: Approved. Point 9 on the agenda was moved up since some had to leave earlier.

3. Approval of minutes and matters arising of last meeting

Conclusion: Minutes approved

Additional matters:

- Chair informed the Management Committee (MC) that Aisling Cooling is now administrative officer of the COST.
- Suggestion by Chair to include Susan Danby as an observer in the COST Action. Conclusion: Approved

4. Update from the Action Chair

a. Status of Action.

In general on track. Chair recommends that people that are part of management committee need to find representatives when they cannot attend meetings.

b. Action budget status.

Not spent much yet. For the Tallin meeting not the whole budget has been spent. Still waiting for some claims.

c. STSM status and new applications.

Update from representative from Netherlands (Roel Van Steensel), explaining about STSMs.

Period now: 1st December 2015 – 30th April 2016.

The deadline was 8th October.

There is a budget; 10.000 Euros.

First round received 6 applications. Total about 13.824 which means we can fund all (5-6) due to leftover from Tallin meeting.

Conclusion: Approval from MC.

5. Promotion of gender balance and of ESR.

E. Kennedy (Ireland) gave a summary. In the process of including ESR in working groups. Concerning gender balance there is more women than men in the Action due to the demographic profile of researchers in the field.

6. Update from Grant Holder

End of April, deadline for sending in cost claims.

7. Update COST Association

They have not sent out signals of any cuts in budgets. We need to spend all budget, in order to maximize next year's budget.

8. Follow up MoU objectives

We will ask all WG to write a short update on work and plans for next meeting in Cyprus. At the meeting each WG reports on their work during the Tallin meeting.

WG1: Created a task force together with group 4, focusing on industry-research links. Jackie asks for an approval from MC to establish a sub-group lead by Dylan.

Conclusion: Approved

WG2: Working on possible publications and activities.

WG3: Discussing what kinds of materials, tools that are in use in different countries. Asked to put a summary on the website.

WG 4: Giovanna Mascheroni is asked to take over as co-chair of this working group.

Conclusion: Approved.

WG5: David visited other WG to get input on methodologies. Started to design a database and repository. Suggestion that each group has a methodology agent. Responsibility for each group to nominate someone. Nomination of one person should be sent to leaders of WG 5.

9. Scientific planning

We need a decision about being part of two WGs. Julian strongly suggests that we need to ask people to be part of one group, commit membership in one group. David supports that but mention that for WG5 there should be an agent from each of the other groups that will be linked to WG5. WG5 will then meet on another day and time than the others for coming meetings. One group has many members, while two other groups have less. No decision on this, but encourage people to change. People do not commit themselves to one WG for the whole period.



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Conclusion: Approved, People commit to one group for coming meetings.

Having one management committee meeting per year, instead of two. This is normal in other networks.

Conclusion: Approved, but try it out for year two first.

13. Next meeting – Cyprus

March 17th-18th, in Nicosia, at the University. Discussion; Can we do it on Friday and Saturday instead of Thursday-Friday. That means 18th-19th March. Objection from several; people do not want to work during the weekend.

We will invite two keynotes, and working sessions first day, and the WGs second day. Wednesday will be a Think Tank with a small number of people, around teacher education. Maybe invite people from EC.

Conclusion: We keep with March 17th-18th.

Macedonia are willing to host a future meeting. Other countries should send us statements of interest.

9, c. Long term planning

Training school

Summer School of 2016. (Claudia.) One application, from Portugal. University of Braga. Dates are still a bit open. Next year budget start June 1st, so it has to be after that.

Conclusion: First Training School will be in Portugal.

9, d. Dissemination planning

Iris presents, a PowerPoint presentation, this will be sent out.

A proposal for a Handbook. Programmed in year 4, end product of the network.

Jackie, Julian, Rosie and Ola are writing a White Paper.

Literature reviews are starting. Will have support for that.

10. Requests for new members

One request from Albania. 4th of November is deadline for requests.

12. Any Other Business

None



Steering group meeting

1. Handbook

Discussed Iris's presentation on the Handbook more in detail.
Input from audience. Iris will send around the slide and WG leaders will give input.

2. International Advisory board

A range of academics from around the world, but we will not pay for them to attend.
Reference to 'Eu Kids Online' network. Some discussion about what we want them to do, and how they best can contribute. Could invite them as keynotes. People will send suggestions for people to Kjartan (IS)

3. Input from meeting

A Google site will be set up.
Have a biography about everybody, small booklet. Also on the website

4. Literature review

Julian: WG 1: They talked about literature review as an informal quick knowledge sharing. Tagging and sharing, on google. WG 2 and 3 are starting up.
National language reports can be written and shared. There is money for translation.

5. Stakeholders role

O'Neill. Reporting on stakeholders achievements.
Links to industry. Impact on policy. Possible contacts with European organisations.