

SENSECO MC-3 Meeting

Wednesday 30 October 2019 9:00-11:15,

Beatriz Hotel, Lanzarote, Spain

Minutes of the Meeting

Meeting Chair: Martin Schlerf

Minute taker: Jochem Verrelst

Countries represented during the meeting: AT, BE, BG, CH, CZ, DE, EE, EL, ES, FI, FR, HU, IT, LU, LV, NL, PL, PT, RO, SK, TR, ME

Countries not represented during the meeting: HR, CY, FI, FR, GR, HU, LV, LT, MT, UK, SE

Number of countries represented by MCs: 22/35. We did not reach the 2/3 for decision making. Decisions are thus subject to approval by the MC via e-vote.

1. Martin Schlerf, Action Chair

Opening by Action Chair and presentation of agenda.

Reorganization of core group: the following new co-leaders are proposed:

- WG1: Shari van Wittenberghe is proposed as new co-leader.
- WG4: Andy will search for a new co-leader.
- ITC grant coordinator: Dessislava Ganeva is proposed. She will inform whether she can be a MC substitute. Also Radek (Radoslaw Juszczak) is proposed.
- Science communication coordinator: Marco Celesti will take over the lead. Also Clement Atzberger will be part of the science communication team.

The proposed new roles have been unanimously approved by the MC.

There was a question from the grant holder (UVEG) towards the science officer (Deniz Karaca) regarding the delay of receiving GP2 funds. Deniz later clarified the mechanism and why payment is late. Payment occurs when a big meeting (e.g. MC) is taking place.

2. MaPi Cendrero-Mateo, Working Group 1 Leader

MaPi proposed the following GP3 activities:

- WG1 Meeting proposed (in Estonia)
- STSMs
- Joint summer school

There were no questions.

3. Helge, Working Group 3 Co-Leader

Lammert proposed the following GP3 activities:

- Training school time-series processing and vegetation production studies
- Intercomparison exercise on benchmark datasets

- STSMs
- Joint summer school

There were no questions

4. Miriam Machwitz, Working Group 3 Leader

Miriam proposed the following GP3 activities:

- Combination with
- Workshop planned for July 2020 in Prague in connection with a symposium of the phenotyping community
- STSMs
- Joint summer school

There were no questions.

5. Andreas Hüni, Working Group 4 Leader

Andy proposed the following GP3 activities:

- Upgrade of existing software to support traceability chain
- STSMs
- Joint summer school (training school)

There were no questions.

The proposed WG activities for GP3 were provisionally approved by the attending MCs and will be subjected to e-voting.

6. Enrico Tomelleri, STSM and Training Coordinator

Regarding **STSMs**, Enrico expressed there is a lack of interest. This has been discussed and initiatives to promote STSM were proposed:

- Making more use of media: twitter, video, testimonies of past STSM on website
- Towards the science officer it was asked whether COSTS has some tools in hands to promote STSMs. Deniz answered STSM can be very broad. To be followed up.

Martin summarized the discussion on STSMs. Extra info will be added on the website (Miriam Machwitz).

Javier Pachego emphasizes that it should become clearer that action participants can also propose STSMs. Perhaps that is more successful than searching for STSMs that may be of interest.

Regarding the proposed joint **training school**, Enrico presents what has been discussed during core group meeting (see MoM) and requirements to find an ideal location.

Bulgaria (Rumiana Vatsseva) proposed to host the training school. She will email Martin and Enrico.

7. Marco Celesti, Science Communication Manager

Marco presents a flyer that Karolina's father had painted. It is really beautiful and appreciated by all.

Flyers, poster, presentation slides were disseminated at various conferences. Marco will make sure we continue to do so.

Marco discusses options for video and other dissemination channels. It is proposed to record video at training schools.

Also streaming next coming joint WGs workshop is encouraged so that non-attendees can also follow.

Martin agrees, and probably we can reallocate funding since likely we will have an underspending.

8. Martin Schlerf, Action Chair

Discussion on venues of WG meetings and the MC-4 meeting.

- Jan Pisek proposed Tartu (Estonia) for hosting a WG1 meeting
- Turkey proposed two locations for WG or MC meetings
- Serbia proposed to host MC meeting
- Other locations to host MC-4 meeting had been proposed by Monica (Copenhagen, DK), Micol (Milano, IT), Tomas (Prague, CZ)

MCs agreed that next MC meeting should be at an ITC. It narrowed potential locations for MC-4 to Turkey (Nevsehir, Cappadocia), Czech Republic (Prague) and Serbia (Novi Sad).

Among the attending MCs a first counting was held regarding their preferences of these locations. Preferences were about equally distributed among these 3 locations. It was then concluded to hold again a Google Form election so that all MCs can participate and have more time to vote.

Regarding preferred MC-4 date, end of October was proposed and approved by attending MCs. Introducing carbon offsetting of our flights has been proposed and approved by the majority. Carbon offsetting is currently not possible under Horizon 2020, but could become effective under Horizon Europe programme (to be launched in 2021).

Enrico proposed SENSECO organizes a session at ICOS2020 conference, Utrecht, Netherlands. Jan Pisek agreed to organize this session. A dissemination or ITC conference grant can be used.

Deniz Karaca (science officer) has some final remarks:

- Instalments has been clarified. Reasons for delay have been explained. No further delays are foreseen.
- There will be a COST session on next coming EGU. We are invited to participate.