

ECER 2024, Nicosia, VETNET Minutes Network Meeting, 29 August 2024

Chair: Christof Nägele, Barbara E. Stalder (link convenors)
Approx. 25 researchers attended the meeting.

Agenda

1. Welcome and introduction

VETNET participants were welcomed and informed about VETNET's aims and regulations.

2. ECER Nicosia

The link convenors thanked the programme committee responsible for setting up the programme, providing feedback to authors, and editing the proceeding. They informed the network about the number of submissions, accepted/rejected proposals for VETNET, and contributions to this year's VETNET proceedings. The quality of submissions and papers in the proceedings is high. The number of submissions was significantly lower than for ECER Glasgow (approx. 70 compared to more than 100 in Glasgow), and there were several withdrawals at short notice.

3. Elections

At ECER 2024, there were no elections.

Members were invited to apply to stand for elections on the board as of 2025. The procedure was outlined, and it was stressed that board members must apply in advance, be nominated by other members, and show how they will contribute to VETNET activities.

4. VETNET members and reviewers

The convenor thanked all colleagues who were reviewing for VETNET and invited members to become reviewers.

5. VETNET activities

The members discussed current and future VETNET activities, including EERN-VETNET, VETNET's newly established emerging researchers network chaired by Junmin Li and Susanne Peters. They exchanged ideas on how to promote and support young researchers' contributions to VETNET and the VETNET conferences.

Researchers were invited to contribute to one of the upcoming conferences, ECER 2025 in Belgrad, Crossing Boundaries in May 2025 in Palma, Stockholm International in May 2026, NordYrk 2025. They were encouraged to submit manuscripts to be published in IJRNET, NJVET, VETNET ECER Proceedings, Crossing Boundaries Proceedings, and the Stockholm International Book Series.

Detailed information can be found on vetnetsite.org

6. ECER 2027 considered to be held in Turkish Cypriot region: Open Letter of concern

The network discussed the councils' plan to hold ECER 2027 in the northern part of Cyprus. The members addressed their concerns and discussed an open letter that will be sent to the EERA council. The letter of concern was amended and adopted by the network members. It was decided that the letter should be sent to the EERA council and office and all network convenors.

7. ECER 2025 Belgrade

Short outlook on ECER 2025: The VETNET members were invited to support the programme committee.

8. Closing

The network meeting closed with an outlook on the final conference days in Nicosia.