

NETWORK MEETING ECER 2019, HAMBURG

EERA Network 14 Meeting Communities, Families and Schooling in Educational Research

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ECER Report 2019

The meeting was moderated by Rocío García-Carrión, as the current link convenor for NW14 and had an attendance of about 20 people, including co-convenors and other presenters and participants interested in NW14.

For this ECER 2019, NW14 organised 3 joint sessions with NW4 Inclusive education, NW6 Open learning and media, and NW31 Language Education, 4 symposiums and 3 posters. A total of 72 proposals were submitted and 10% were rejected. We were disappointed by the low number of posters, but delighted by the number of symposiums. We continued to collaborate with other NWS. For instance, we organised the (very well received) writing workshop in collaboration with NW10 Teacher Education.

Overall, there was a positive feedback from all participants regarding the ECER 2019. All were pleased with the organisation, the venue and its facilities. Free public transport was unanimously praised. All appreciated the quality of the papers in NW14 and that of the keynote speakers.

The meeting also included some information from the LC Seminar in Berlin and the LC meeting in Hamburg. Rocío attended the LC Seminar in Berlin. She reported information about the network development, open access to policy and research in EERA as well as publications: EERA books and journals. Satu Perälä-Littunen, co-convenor for NW14 attended the LC meeting in Hamburg. She reported some of the discussions about (a) support from EERA to develop NW capacity; (b) EERA Blog and how our NW could contribute to the blog.

We discussed the possibility of using the EERA blog in order to communicate what we do to a wider audience. We also welcomed the decision of the EERA board about the possibility for NWS to participate in the choice of keynote speakers.

NW14 Link Convenor (LC) 2020-2023

Members of NW14 appointed a new link convenor. Rocío García-Carrión has been LC for 4th year period (2016-2019). At ECER 2018 she had announced she will be stepping down the following year and will be shadowing the new LC. She had then invited co-convenors and members of the NW14 to send any expressions of interest to become LC for the next period (2020-2023).

Laurence Lasselle expressed her interest. This was very welcome for all the NW members. Everyone thanked Rocío for her fantastic job as LC. Laurence thanked everyone and added that she was looking forward to work with Rocío over the coming months.

NW14 Dissemination plan

The NW14 Website is the platform to disseminate network activities and relevant information for members. Everyone was reminded to subscribe to the NW14 mailing list. The mailing list is the tool used by LC to communicate with members. LC in cooperation with the EERA office will continue to update the mailing list.

All were also reminded about the possibility to use social media to disseminate the NW14 activities. For instance, members with Twitter account could use the hashtag #EERA_NW14.

Publications

Co-convenors from NW14, Cath Gristy and Linda Hargreaves reported that their book, co-edited with Silvie Rita Kučerová with chapters by NW14 members on Rural Schools and Communities in Europe was accepted for publication by IAP and is very close to submission. This project received EERA support.

Satu Perälä-Littunen, co-convenor from NW14 reported that several people active in our network were engaged in the process of putting the following book together:

Paseka, Angelika & Byrne, Delma (Eds) (2019): Parental Involvement Across European Education Systems. Critical Perspectives. London: Routledge.

<https://www.routledge.com/Parental-Involvement-Across-European-Education-Systems-Critical-Perspectives/Paseka-Byrne/p/book/9781138479197>

Participants reported information about interesting journals for the members, such as EERJ and “Aula Abierta”.

ECER 2020, Glasgow

ECER 2020 will be in Glasgow (25-28 August). All were reminded that the call for submissions will start on 1st of December.

We noted that the conference theme is particularly relevant for NW14: “Educational Research (Re)connecting Communities”. It could attract more submissions to NW14. We also noted that the research of two Keynote Speakers, Joyce Epstein and Ramon Flecha, is directly linked to the NW14. Rocío reminded everyone that Ramon had presented his work in a NW14 session in 2009.

All were invited to submit proposals for special calls ASAP and by the beginning of October to Rocío or Laurence (proposals have to be sent to the EERA office by 15th of October by LC). All were encouraged to prepare NW14 symposiums well in advance and to continue to collaborate with other NWs. NW14 can play an important role in attracting researchers in our field for the next ECER 2020.