

Attendees:

Kathrin Otrek-Cass (convener), University of Graz, Austria; Corinne Covez, Institut Agro, Montpellier, France; Simon Sjölund, Mälardalen University, Västerås, Sweden; Daria Tomasova, HSE University, Russia; Rimma Kushvayeva, Nazarbayev Intellectual School Chemical-Biological Direction, Kazakhstan.

The group acknowledged that the number of people attending the business meeting was low. The group shared that the conference in Yerevan was a great experience, that the organisation went well and that the presentations in the network sessions were of very good quality and very interesting.

1. Network coordinator election: The Standing Convener Kathrin Otrek-Cass (University of Graz, Austria), and the co-convener Karen Laing (Newcastle University, UK) continue representing and managing the network. Corinne Covez was asked if she would like to join the network as co-convener and accepted the invitation 😊.

2. Network activities 2022: We discussed that the book: Partnerships in education has been published as part of the ECER book series, edited by Dennis Beach. The 18 chapter strong book is a great testament to the valueable contributions in this field.

3. Network activities 2023: We discussed that it might be nice to try and meet as a network a day prior to the ECER 2023 in Glasgow. Funding possibilities (for instance to cover one night accommodation) can be explored further.

4. Network communication: We discussed how to support network activities further and proposed we could try out using Slack. We could use the forum to discuss topics including partnerships and the global north/south divide; partnership discussions on process vs product; partnerships and values; we could include a word cloud in the slack channel to collect ideas.

Follow up: Kathrin has since started a Slack channel -

https://join.slack.com/t/ecernetwork15/shared_invite/zt-1h5vuquyp-53L4MbOc12qz8cveCubVEQ

(this invitation to join is only open for 30 days, to get connected please contact Kathrin on kathrin.otrek-cass@uni-graz.at)

5. General feedback from the 2022 conference in Yerevan and ECER Plus (note ECER Plus was not discussed in the NW meeting, but observations from the NW15 online sessions were included here): In general it worked all well, people appreciated seeing each other again in person and the experiences on video were good as well. The Whova App worked fine.

6. Ideas: We talked about a possible special call in ECER 2023- focusing on sustainability, wellbeing, maybe health, in connection with partnerships. We also mentioned that we might organise/make a call for symposium proposals of Erasmus+ projects (i.e. strategic partnership projects). Another focus could be on partnership projects that have a shared goal to produce joint products, to discuss the how to overcome challenges and identify opportunities. ECER 2023 would also be good to have



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shared sessions since this worked well in 2022, maybe NW7 social justice, and maybe NW 32 Organisational Learning.

7. NW15: representation in the early researchers group: We discussed the possibility to being visible in the ERG. Simon mentioned he may be interested in this. Kathrin will follow up twith the ERG coordinator.