

Attendees:

Kathrin Otreel-Cass (convener), University of Graz, Austria; Karen Laing (co-convener) Newcastle University, UK; Gila Hammer Furnes, Western Norway University of Applied Sciences, Norway; Mareike Österle, University of Education Ludwigsburg, Germany; Alison Whelan, Nataliaia Ovchinnikova, Russia

The group acknowledged that the number of people attending the business meeting was low, most likely because of the virtual format.

1. Network coordinator election: The Standing Convener Kathrin Otreel-Cass (University of Graz, Austria), and the co-convener Karen Laing (Newcastle University, UK) continue representing and managing the network.

2. Network activities 2021: We discussed that we submitted a book as part of the ECER book series, edited by Dennis Beach. The book is under review. We hope to present the book at the next conference ideally as a symposium.

3. Network activities 2022: We discussed that it would be nice to meet as a network a day prior to the ECER 2022 in Armenia.

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-ccg7941/shared_invite/zt-yh9yb7yo-We1DiMVEjIFWvQtCM8t98w

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

5. General feedback from the 2021 conference: In general it worked all well, people appreciated seeing each other on video. Everyone was looking forward coming together again in person.