

ECER Conference 2021 (Geneva)

Network 18 (Research in Sport Pedagogy) Meeting Agenda

8th September 2021 (12:30 - 1:30pm CET)

Agenda Item	Action Points
<p>1. Welcome from Network convenor and reintroduce the Network team</p> <p>A reminder was given of the current convenor team: Rachel Sandford (link convenor), Fiona Chambers, Oliver Hooper, Kyriaki Makopoulou, Wesley O'Brien and Göran Gerdin. RS highlighted that Antonio Calderón has stepped down from the convenor team and extended her thanks on behalf of the network to AC for his contributions during his tenure.</p> <p>RS suggested that – given the current context – it was perhaps sensible to retain the convenor team 'as is' for the time being with a view to perhaps expand this at ECER 2022. It was suggested that those who might be interested in joining the convenor team at a future date should get in touch and they can be linked into network activities (e.g., reviewing, chairing etc.) more throughout the year.</p> <p>DA suggested perhaps having a doctoral student member as part of the convenor team and RS agreed this was a good idea with OH having originally fulfilled this role. It was suggested that this might help to enhance links with the ERG.</p> <p>Attendees at this meeting: RS, OH, Maud Hietzge, Emanuela Guarcello, Kwok Ng, David Aldous (had to leave after item 3)</p> <p>Apologies for this meeting: Kyriaki Makopoulou, Göran Gerdin, Fiona Chambers, Shaun Wilkinson, Shirley Gray, Wesley O'Brien</p>	<p>Members keen to get involved with the convenor team to contact RS.</p> <p>Members to also contact RS if they have suggestions re suitable doctoral students.</p>
<p>2. Approval of Minutes from previous ECER meeting (Hamburg 2019)</p> <p>Minutes of the meeting in Hamburg were distributed by the mailing list, but attendees were also directed to them on the EERA webpages.</p> <p>RS presented the minutes from the NW meeting in 2019 (the last meeting held) and these were approved by those who were in attendance (OH and KN) though KN requested to be added to the list of attendees as his name had been omitted.</p>	<p>RS to add KN to 2019 attendees.</p>
<p>3. Overview of ECER 2021</p>	

An overview of statistics for ECER 2021 was not available in time for the meeting but is presented here for information:

- 2300 presentations in more than 740 sessions, over 2500 participants.
- This is comparable to a 'normal' in person conference.

RS provided an overview of ECER 2021 and presented a summary of NW 18's contribution to the conference:

- As a network, we received 26 submissions (down from last time); there was 1 redirect; 1 paper was rejected (clear reasons outlined for rejection and positive feedback given to authors, with encouragement to try again); 2 papers were withdrawn ahead of conference.
- We have run 8 sessions in this conference, including one symposium (with 3 papers), 2 posters, and 19 individual papers.
- Two papers were withdrawn in the conference – in both cases the presenters met unforeseen circumstances and expressed their apologies.
- Although a smaller conference, we are pleased to have a range of nationalities represented within the NW sessions this year. Presentations/presenters from a range of contexts, including: England, Scotland, Wales, Northern Ireland, Ireland, Sweden, New Zealand, Australia, Spain, Norway, Germany, Lithuania, Austria, Turkey, Italy and Hungary.

RS extended her thanks to those who had reviewed abstracts for ECER 2021. It was noted that we will need to check and confirm our reviewer list. RS also advised that should anyone want to take on reviewing responsibilities they should get in touch. EG volunteered to act as a reviewer for ECER 2022.

RS to ask WO'B to send out a reviewer reminder via the emailing list.

RS requested some feedback on ECER 2021 – responses are summarised below:

Feedback on ECER 2021:

- RS expressed that it had been difficult to make time and space for the conference with this being online. MH agreed with this and noted how she missed the interactions that would take place during an in-person conference.
- RS and DA noted how funding conferences is problematic – even for online conferences – and that institutions are less and less willing to support academic staff in attending these.
- GG and WO'B also commented (via email) on the cost of the online conference and how this was somewhat limiting.
- DA also suggested that the 'online overload' had been a much over the past 18 months and that this may make people less willing to attend, particularly in the long-term.

RS to pass on feedback as required to the EERA office.

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DA and RS both said that consideration needs to be given as to how conferencing will be made sustainable moving forwards. • GG and WO'B also commented (via email) on the challenges of purely online conferences. • KN advised that cost of attendance was particularly significant in inhibiting his attendance. He proposed that a hybrid approach might be useful but that attendees might need to change how they 'attend' conferences. • EG agreed that a hybrid conference might be a useful option moving forwards. EG expressed that the NW18 programme was particularly well organised with some thoughtful themes – all those in attendance agreed. 	
<p>4. 2019-2021 Activities</p> <p>RS provided an overview of NW18 activities over the past 2 years, noting the challenges imposed by Covid-19.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ECER 2020 in Glasgow was cancelled. There was a 'Reconnecting EERA' online event, which ran during part of the scheduled conference time. NW18 hosted a joint symposium with SERA. • Cancellation of specialist symposium on 'Creative and Innovative Methods in Educational Research'. • Prof. Kathleen Armour became the first Honorary Member of NW18. Invited to give a 'NW18 keynote' at a future conference. • NW18 page updated on the EERA website. • Two NW18 blogs – attendees were encouraged to identify potential future opportunities for blogs. 	<p>All – let NW18 convenors know if there are any suggested topics for blogs</p>
<p>5. Future Activities</p> <p>RS gave an overview of planned NW18 activities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SERA-EERA online symposium 'to discuss and learn about different PE curricula across different national contexts'. November 24th 4-5:30pm (GMT). Details will come out via the mailing list. <p>RS asked attendees for suggestions as to other activities that the NW might be able to engage with or advertise via the mailing list. MH suggested some useful connections to work within Germany. It was suggested that we could reach out to the broader membership via the mailing list.</p> <p>A later suggestion (via email) from GG was made with the suggestion of an online midyear NW seminar/meeting. The convenor team will discuss if/how we might achieve this.</p>	<p>WO'B to send out details via the mailing list (RS to liaise on this)</p> <p>Convenor team - A message to be sent out to all members to try and identify potential linking opportunities.</p>
<p>6. Information from network convenors meeting</p>	

<p>RS provided a brief update for attendees, particularly in relation to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continue to engage NWS in the selection of keynotes. • EERA blog • EERA publications <p>Check the main webpages for further updates.</p>	
<p>i) Future conferences</p> <p>Attendees were reminded about the forthcoming conferences:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ECER 2022 – Yerevan (22nd- 23rd August – ECR), 23rd – 26th August (ECER) [Submission opens 1st Dec 2021 and closes 31st Jan 2022] https://eera-ecer.de/ecer-2022-yerevan/ • ECER 2023 – Glasgow <p>RS reminded individuals to take note of submission dates etc. and encouraged earlier submissions. Also keep an eye on the main EERA webpages</p>	
<p>ii) AOB</p> <p>No AOB was raised for discussion.</p>	