

ECER – Geneva Network 33 Meeting

8th September 2021

Attendance:

Branislava Baranović, Victoria Showunmi, Brynja Halldórsdóttir, Carol Taylor, Kathryn Scantlebury, Marie Carlson, Millica Antić Gaber, Oriol Rios Gonzalex, Sigolène Couchet-Schiex, Zeynep Gulru Goker, Claudia Blanden, Declan Fahie, Ece Yoka, Janine Fibmer

Apologies:

Andrea Abbas

The meeting opened at 12.30pm.

Agenda

1. Report on the Network33 activities in 2020
2. Submissions and sessions at ECER 2021 – numbers and quality
3. Publishing activities (e.g. Special Issue based on the conference papers, developing a book, other activities)
4. Structure and expanding of the team running NW33
5. Nominating and electing new candidates for convenors, (re)electing the NW link convenor
6. Developing funding bids for NW33 activities (e.g. joint research projects, summer schools, other ideas)
7. Other issues (suggestions for cooperation with other EERA networks and supporting emerging researchers...)

Main highlights:

Item 1. Report on the Network33 activities in 2020:

The minutes from the last meeting were confirmed and the agenda was presented.

Branislava introduced the agenda and it was agreed by the participants.

She also provided a brief report on the actions delivered to date by the Network.

It was noted that the 2020 ECER conference had been cancelled, online events were held to mark the ECER in Glasgow. NW33 held an online panel on *(Re)connecting Feminist, Queer and Trans* (FQT*) Communities through Educational Research during the ECER 2020 days*. *Chair:* McBride, Ruari-Santiago; *Presenting authors:* Taylor, Yvette; Götschel, Helene; René Rain Hornstein; González, José Oriol Ríos; Fahie, Declan.

The panel attracted over 30 researchers, which was a great response. There is a lot of interest in this area of work.

Item 2. Submissions and sessions at ECER 2021:

The programme received 42 papers and 2 were rejected. Formats of presentations were: 1 NW33 symposium (3 papers), 2 posters (1 poster was rejected), 1 NW33 research workshops, 1 ignite talk, 2 papers were withdrawn. Presentations of the submissions were held in 17 sessions.

Would be good to have ignite for ECR's and or other academics who have work in progress.

Overall, all present were very satisfied with the quality and excellent standard of the sessions, symposia and workshops; the chairing was good across Network 33 programme. Links were made with emerging researchers:

- A capacity-building workshop for emerging researchers: *Transforming research and Knowledge to Greater Gender Equality: Intersectional Feminist and Gendered Approaches to Research* was held by Carol Taylor, Andrea Abbas and Victoria Showunmi.
- Also, Branislava Baranović participated in the session: *Getting to Know EERA, Making the Most of the ECER*.

Item 3. Publishing activities:

- Special Issue Call for EERA Journal (EERJ) titled *Intersectional approaches to educational research through gendered lenses* is completed. Guest Editors are: Victoria Showunmi, Andrea Abbas and Carol Taylor.

The call will be sent out to different networks including GEA and individual EERA member associations.

- The book: *Gender and Education in Politics, Policy and Practice – Transdisciplinary Perspectives* will be published within the EERA Book Series with Springer- Transdisciplinary Perspectives in Educational Research. Eds. of the book are: Marie Carlson, Brynja, E. Halldórsdóttir, Branislava Baranović, Ann-Sofie Holm, Sirpa Lappalainen and Andrea Spehar. The book proposal was positively reviewed and approved for publishing, the book is in print.

- Blogs: Carol Taylor spoke about her recent Blog which attracted a lot of interest.

She explained the process - send in a pitch (few lines) then they will get back to you it is a good way to get your work noted.

The participants were encouraged to post their ideas, works and comments on the blog.

Item 4. and Item 5. Nominating and electing new candidates for convenors, (re)electing the NW link convenor:

- Prof. Declan Fahie, University College Dublin (UCD) Ireland, was nominated and unanimously elected as the new Gender Network convenor.

Agreement was given to roll over the election for NW's Link Convenor to be postponed until next year because of the pandemic disruption.

Item 6. and Item 7. Developing funding bids for NW33 and other NW's activities:

The NW's Link Convenor and Deputy Link Convenors will develop an action plan for the activities of the NW in 2021/22. The plan will be sent to all NW members for commenting.

Question raised:

- Could we have the opportunity to meet before the conference begins in 2022?
- Develop the database to include; photo, name, role, research interests as a way to keep in touch and develop the network.