

Executive Committee EASSW

Paris, 26 and 29. June 2017

Chaired by Nino Žganec

Venue: UNAFORIS, 8 rue Mayran, 75009 Paris

Minutes: Executive Committee EASSW

MONDAY, June 26 - (9.00 – 12.00)

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Chaired by: Nino Žganec (NZ)

Participants: Nino Zganec (NZ), Robert Bergougnan (RB), Teresa Bertotti, (TB), Ronny heikkiTikkanen (RT), Anke Beuck (AB), Marion Laging (MLa), Marika Lotko (MLo), Violeta Gevorgianiené (VG), Vasilios Ioakimidis (VI), Raymond Kloppenburg (RK), Aila-Leena Mathies (ALM), Fabienne Trentin-Campbell (FTC)

Absent justified: Sanela Basic (SB), Hakan Acar (HA), Andres Arias Astray (AAS), Clara Clara Cruz Santos (CCS),

Notes taken by: ALM, MLa.

1. Minutes from the Coimbra meeting

The minutes are officially approved

2. Agenda for Paris meeting: priorities and time schedule –

Agenda was accepted with time schedule

3. Update on activities since last EC meeting: reports from President, Vice-president, Treasurer, Secretary and all EC-members.

See the Reports

NZ inform about its main activities, besides those related to the conference. Among the others (see over) has to be quoted: the participation to the WSWD in Geneva, the connection to IASSW

(with next meeting in Croatia), the IASSW/IFSW/ICSW meeting in Dublin; collaboration with ENSACT and PowerUs. Moreover the draft of the New EASSW statute was prepared, with the need to be checked by Dutch lawyers still.

RB has been involved in the finances, membership payments and webpage development. He worked with FTCe about the account of the EASSW; updated the Council of Europe the activity of the EASSW, with support of Susan Lawrence, in order to re-established the registration of EASSW as accredited association. A lot of work has been done for the conference, especially with UNESCO, achieving a good collaboration, and with the involvement of volunteers for the event. Collaboration with Unaforis for the Conference was very good.

MLa informs she also participated in a meeting with the Council of Europe in Strasbourg, (section of International NGOs (INGO) and confirms that the role of EASSW was not very clear.

It is important to nominate persons to take care of the networking with certain partnerships, outlining aims and ways of these partnerships (TB). This could be defined during the next EC meeting with new members (Thursday, 29th)

FTC kept contact with member schools for registration, participation to GA, as well as for sending questionnaires regarding strategic plan, asked from the task groups.

As general suggestion, is discussed the opportunity of giving account of activities also in relation to the task groups that results from the Strategic plan. By now, Task group 1 (TB, MLa, RK, RT) has been widely involved in the new website and with the production of the evaluation questionnaire related to the strategic plan.

Task group 2 took care of EASSW visibility, during the conference with new leaf lets, new T-shirts prepared. It also carried out the activities related to small projects (ALM) with evaluation of proposal and preparing the new calls.

At the internal: new bylaws are prepared as well. AB prepared the election procedures and presents the new candidates.

Following AB suggestion, the EC discusses the shortage of candidacies. It is not a formal problem, because the statute provides that 15 is the maximum, but it is issue to considered in the light of the reasons behind: it seems that some schools could have difficult to guarantee the financial support for the candidates for the EC members' meetings. This could affect the representation of the diversity within the EC. A further discussion is needed in the future about how we can keep it easy for countries from the periphery to apply. The issue about diversity it is relevant also in relation to gender: in the composition of the new EC we will have only 5 women among 14 members.

The bid for the next conference 2019 resulted – late - in three strong candidate universities: Lisbon, Madrid and Cracow. Decision will be discussed further

4. *Financial overview – Treasurer*

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- There is a plus of 100 000€ + 50 000€ as a reserve on our Triodos bank account in June 2017.
- In 2016 the EASSW paid 16 500€ to Unaforis as a cash advance for the first expenses for the conference. The second part of the cash advance provided in the memorandum of understanding with UNAFORIS was not necessary.
- The counselling for the Strategic plan (worked in Vilnius) together with finance of projects cost together 16.409€.
- Around 240.000€ will be taken from the Paris registration fees, so EASSW will make a win again as for the Milan conference. It will be also possible to reimburse to EASSW the cash advance (16500€)
- The expenses for the new web site development have not been activated in 2016 because of some delay in the work. They must be reported on the 2017 budget.
- 7 projects got part of their funding during the years of 2016, due to some delays.
- Concerning the solidarity fund we need to better define the provisional amount we want to engage and to better define also the process to ask for it.
- The new website will give the opportunity to pay membership online, together with the other traditional ways. This will make payment (and registrations) easier.

5. Membership overview - Secretary and country coordinators

FTC refers about the membership situation: 204 member schools paid yet for 2017 and will be able to vote at the General Assembly.

There are some members who are missing to pay since 2010 and some addressed are not functioning anymore: an overall check is needed and will be planned in the following months.

6. EASSW Statute – *President*

NZ introduces the draft of the new statute. One of the main changes is that it is more differentiated and comprehensive.

Another change is the provision of an advisory board as a part of the EC. Regarding this board, there is the need to discuss in more detail how it will be organized, who will be people and institutions to be involved and what will be its role, beside the general advisory task. This will be the duty of specific bylaws.

7. EASSW General Assembly and Elections 2017 – Anke Beuck and election committee

The General Assembly will be chaired by NZ, who will present the main activities of the association. ALM will present the possibility for project application and motivate member schools to apply. RT with the task group will present the new website, launching the free participation for 2017. MLa will present the preliminary results of the member survey regarding member's evaluation of the strategic plan. Complete results will be published in the website.

AB will explain the procedure of the elections and give the floor to new candidates.

Any Other Business:

ALM reports it has not been possible for our members to apply for projects via website. The EC decide to open up the project application for a new limited period of time (until july).

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THURSDAY, June 29 (18.00 – 21.00)

(After the EASSW Unaforis Conference)

Venue: UNAFORIS, 8 rue Mayran, 75009 Paris

Chaired by: Nino Žganec (NZ)

Participants: Maria Inês Amaro (MIA), Robert Bergougnan (RB), Teresa Bertotti, (TB), Ronny Heikki Tikkanen (RT), Marion Laging (MLa), Florin Lazar (FL), Marika Lotko (MLo), Vasilios Ioakimidis (VI), Raymond Kloppenburg (RK), Aila-Leena Mathies (ALM), Fabienne Trentin-Campbell (FTC)

Absent: Hakan Acar (HA), Andres Arias Astray (AAS), Christos Panagiotopoulos (CP)

Notes taken by: RK

8. Introduction of new EC members

Maria Inês Amaro and Florin Lazar present themselves and thanks for the election. Christos Panagiotopoulos apologize for not been able to be there, due to previous appointments.

9. Review of the task force groups activities (new EC members to be included to the TFG) – All TFG members

Discussion about current composition of task groups, about their tasks and addition of new members. As general rules, it is suggested - but not mandatory - the task group have one officer as member and that TG work in collaboration with the EC.

In the following months Task groups will outline plans to fulfil their specific aims.

Taskgroup 1- Membership.

Originally composed by RT, RK, TB and MLa is now changed in the light of th new duties of TB and RK as officers. RT and TB will leave, provided that they will support the transition to new composition. New provisional composition is: RT, MLa, Christos and Florin

Task group 1 Activities -

From the strategic plan, the main aim of TG1 is «To increase the number of SW school members and to activate the membership», and increase the relationships among them

More specifically:

- Increase communication
- Implement and develop the website
- Submitting annually the questionnaire to evaluate the EASSW strategic goals
- Take care of promotion material
- Newsletter

Task group 2 – Knowledge on Social Work Education

Previously composed by ALM, AA, VG and NZ. The new provisional composition is: ALM; AA; MIA, NZ

The aims of TG 2 is the improvement of the Knowledge of Social Work Education, accordingly to the strategic plan.

Specific activities:

- Small project funding
 - Specific for Small projects: criteria are changed, need to continue the work to adapt the Project report.
 - Auditors request to create a contract template with results and time frames etc). Discussion about need to keep the procedures simple and friendly. ALM will come with a proposal to be discussed first with the treasurer (RK)
- Support joint events - Need to identify what are EASSW policies regarding sponsorship
- Publications
- A book on European SW education was planned last EC. NZ will make step forward with MLa
- Special issue of the European Journal for Social Education related to the conference is part of the work of taskgroup 2. Editors are Nino Zganec John Ward (from Unaforis), Teresa Bertotti

Taskgroup 3 - Networks

Previously composed by VI, HA, MLo and RB. The new provisional composition is: VI HA; MLo, RB.

The aim of the TG 3 is «To create, engage and promote the networking, visibility and influence of EASSW» including collaboration with international organizations (ESWRA, ENSACT, IFSW Europe), partnership with other relevant European networks and external bodies, increase visibility and influence of the EASSW.

Specific activities:

- Development of a Network strategy
- Maintain network contacts

Remarks

Until now the taskgroup hasn't start really. Need to plan future activities: a plan will be delivered in the following month.

Partnership with ENSACT and MoU (Memorandum of Understanding) is part of the work of this task group.

Role of advisory board will be included in network strategy. Indications about composition, relation with EC etc will be set by this group and discussed with officers and TG 4

Taskgroup 4 - Internal Organization

Previously composed by Anke Boeck, Clara Santos, Sanela Basic, which all left the EC. The new provisional composition is: TB and RK

The aim of the TG 4, accordingly to Strategic plan is «To improve the internal organizational process and to increase the level of transparency», including improvement decision-making process and internal communication, to develop rules and clear accountability of the EC task force groups, to clarify roles, responsibilities and benefits of the EASSW EC members.

Specific activities

- Personal portfolio EC members(done)
- By-laws, regulations related to the new statues (include advisory board)
- Elections (procedure, execution)

Decision: because of the short time and lack of some member, by now all task groups continue their work. During the EC meeting in Koln activities and better composition of TG will be reconsider, in order to balance interests, duties and involvements.

10. Project Applications and project budget – *ALM and project group*

Presentation of the overview of projects (see appendix of project application).

Regarding the template for the contract, the taskgroup will prepare a form for the award of projects. Next deadline for proposals is September. It already published on the website.

11. IASSW Global Agenda and ENSACT (MoU) – *President and Raymond Kloppenburg*

NZ and RK inform about the development of a MoU (Memorandum of Understanding) with ENSACT:

- During the next meeting of Ensact in October a draft of a Memorandum of Understanding will be discussed. To ascertain the coming months each partner reviews the vision, mission and activities of Ensact as described in the draft version. RK will send the MoU to the EC members for feedbacks and will use them to define the position of EASSW concerning the MoU.
- The participation in Ensact is a task of taskgroup 3. Untill the next EC meeting in Koln (November) RK shall represent EASSW

12. EASSW website – *RT and website group*

RT resents the actual design of the website

The new website is designed to be very interactive through many activities as the forums where members can propose and discuss various topics.

The biggest challenge is to make it alive and full of interesting and attractive topics. It is therefore important that all member visit and participate to the website. EC member have special role in fostering and boosting the website.

- Overview of tasks and responsibilities

All EC-members share the web task duties, and that taskgroup 1 is responsible for the overall coordination.

Taskgroup 1 will contact the EC members in beginning of September regarding division on web task duties . Below you find an overview of tasks that needs to be shared.

| Website task | Who? |
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| 1.Overall webmaster (1 of 3 administrators) + e-mail system + approving individual users (with free memberships) | |
| 2.Membership/getting member schools be part of interactive map/helping with registration | |
| 3.News/Events/Conferences/Calendar | |
| 4.Forum (a lot of work to get this to be active, used and maintained) | |
| 5.Publications (member restricted publications) | |
| 6.Links (member restricted links) | |
| 7.Project calls and project reports | |
| 8. Finding news | |

13. 2019 EASSW conference – *President*

A decision about the next host will be made during the next EC meeting in Koln. There are three proposals: form Lisbon, Madrid and Krakow

In advance, additional criteria will be developed. NZ will send some questions to EC-members.

14. AOB

Meeting in Koln: November 7-9 with November 6 and 10 (travel days)

Appendix “EASSW SMALL PROJECTS 2015 –

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Project Working Group: Aila-Leena Matthies (Chair), Hakan Acar, Clara Cruz Santos, Violeta Gevorgianena, Marika Smirnova

| Project Title | Applicant | Partners | Duration | Activities | Budget | Status, date |
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| 1. Unheard Voices: Developing the East Central European Network for the Prevention of Elder Abuse | Norbert Gerhard Pikula, Pedagogical University of Cracow, PL | 1. Univ. Warsaw, PL 2. Univ. of Poznan, PL 3. Univ. of Warmia and Mazury in Olsztyn, PL 4. Univ. of Ljubljana 5. Univ. of Ruse, BG | 01.12.2014-31.01.2016 | 1. A conference 2. Publication of conference findings 3. Establish the East Central European Network for the Prevention of Elder Abuse. 4. Develop best practices and training for social workers, policy recommendations and awareness campaign. | Total 11 000€ EASSW 4000€ | Applied 1.9.2014 Accepted 5.11.2014 Reported 1.10.2016 Confirmed 21.10.16 |
| 2. Cross-European Blended Learning of Part-time Students | Felicia Andriotti, Univ. of Petrosan, RO | 1. University of Hradec Kralove, CZ 2. Univ. of Lisbon, PT 3. Univ. of Jyväskylä, FI 4. Mykolas Romeris Univ. | 01.05.2014 - 30.07.2015 | 1. Joint on-line based preparation of the students' pre-tasks 2. Joint learning week 3. New joint module | Total 10021€ EASSW 4000€ | Applied 15.2.14 Accepted 25.4.14 Reported 30.8.15 Confirmed 11.11.15 |
| 3. Social Work and Social Movements in the context of conflict; Educating for peace | Vasilios Ioakimidis, Durham University, UK | 1. Dora Teloni, TEI Athens, Greece; 2. Teeside Univ.y, UK 3. Univ. of A.S. Regensburg, GER 4. Univ. of Sarajevo, BA | 1.10.15 – 1.10.16 | 1. Two-day Seminar at Durham University 2. Record seminar sessions 3. Create an online thematic depository http://www.sccnet.org | Total 5500€, EASSW 4000€ | Applied 1.9.15 Accepted 12.9.15 Reported 26.9.16 Confirmed 7.10.16 |

| | | 5. Univ. College Dublin, IR | | | | |
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| 4. Re-examining SW Education with Migrants and Refugees in the Balkans: Generalist vs Specialized SW ? | Gordana Berc, University of Zagreb, Croatia | 1. Univ. of Skopje, MK 2. Univ. of Prishtina, KO 3. Univ. of Ljubljana, SI 4. Univ. of Sarajevo, BA 5. Sofia University, BG 6. Univ. of Tirana, AL | 1.4.2016 – 30.6.2017 | 1. A seminar on social work with migrants and refugees 2. A two-day seminar with SW work educators 3. A joint publication | Total 7000€, EASSW 4000€ | Applied 15.2.16 Accepted 9.5.16 |
| Project Title | Applicant | Partners | Duration | Activities | Budget | Status, date |
| 5. Social Entrepreneurship as Signature Social Work Practice: A Collaborative International Curriculum Development Seminar | Eugeniu Rotari, Free International Univ. of Moldova | 1. University of Lodz, PL 2. Eotvos Lorand Univ. HU 3. Palacky Univ. Olomouc, CZ 4. St. Elisabeth Univ. of Health and Social Studies, Bratislava, SK | 15.3.16 – 3.6.16 | 1. One-week seminar 2. A model for curriculum | Total 3256€, EASSW 3256€? | Applied 16.2.16 Accepted 2.5.2016 Confirmed 12.1.2017 |
| 6. Challenges for the SW profession at a time of a global migration crisis: Is a new SW | Orit Nuttman-Shwartz, Sapir Collage, Hof Askelon, IL | 1. Bar Ilan Univ. IL 2. Frankfurt Univ. of A.S., GER 3. ASH-Berlin, GER | 1.11.16-31.7.17 | 1. International Workshop 2. On-line-based discussion with students of the partners 3. On-line teaching material | Total 8500€, EASSW 4000€ | Applied 16.2.16 Accepted 13.6.16 Confirmed |

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| Curriculum needed? | | 4. Univ. of Ljubljana, SI 5. Joanneum Univ. of A.S. Gratz, AT | | | | 21.6.17 |
| 7. Developing SW Education to face the needs of multicultural societies and students with immigrant backgrounds | Sanna Lähteinen, Univ. of Lapland | 1. Univ. of Helsinki, FI 2. Univ. of Eastern Finland, FI 3. Univ. of Jyväskylä, FI 4. Univ. of Tampere, FI 5. Univ. of Turku, FI 6. The Artic Univ. of Norway, NO 7. Univ. of Malmö, SE 8. Univ. of Manitoba, CA | 1.11.16 – 31.12.17 | 1. Data collection on SW students with immigration background at the Universities in Nordic countries and Canada 2. A meeting discussing the results and planning the development of curriculum reflecting the new needs | Total 7000€ EASSW 4000€ | Applied 1.9.16 Accepted 21.10.16 |
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