

Minutes of the Second Transnational EINFOSE Project Management Team Meeting 21st April, 2017

Osijek, Croatia, Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences

The meeting started at 9 a.m.

Present: Tatjana Aparac Jelušić, Boris Bosančić, Alen Doračić, Sanjica Faletar Tanacković, Thomas Mandl, Elena Macevicuite, Kornelija Petr Balog, Christian Schlögl, Enrica Salvatori, Maria Simi, Irem Soydal, Maja Žumer, Birgit Hölzer.

Absent: Boris Badurina, Miquel Centelles, Serap Kurbanoglu, Maja Krtalić, Salvatore Ruggieri,

1. Adoption of the agenda

The agenda for the meeting was adopted.

2. Review of project coordinator's activities

Tatjana reported on Pisa meeting where the EINFOSE platform was discussed in detail and initial preparations for multiplier event (symposium) were undertaken. She further described preparations for Barcelona multiplier event and her meeting with project team in Barcelona in March 2017. She noted that the dates of the Multiplier events were changed (29-30 June, 2017) because of the fact that opening the School on Saturday will cause additional costs. Organizers were advised to invite participants from nearby countries and from cities with which Barcelona has low-cost air-fare connections. Tatjana will also visit Ljubljana and Graz, when they start preparing for their work packages. Tatjana reported that she gave an invited talk at an event organized by Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences in Osijek where she presented the EINFOSE project and our experiences in the project application process. She also prepared a state-of-the-art report on the project which was asked for by Croatian Agency (it was mandated that the report be written in Croatian). Tatjana reminded all participants to keep time sheets and record their working hours devoted to the project.

3. Partners' reports on the activities undertaken in past period

Spain: Since no representatives from Barcelona were present at the meeting, Tatjana read their written report. They are coordinating the course on Research methodology; they disseminated the call for Summer school (SS) but they only had applicants from LIS field who are outside of our scope this year. Their main intellectual output is Evaluation framework and they have been working on it (to evaluate OERs, platform and teachers/students experiences at the SS).

Turkey: In Turkey, three colleagues are involved in the project; they did a dissemination for SS; Serap, Kornelija and Tatjana (Osijek) submitted a poster on EINFOSE project to be presented at ECIL conference and it was accepted; they are working on their two courses at SS: Methodology and Evaluation.

Slovenia: They had problems in attracting students for SS; they are coordinating the module on Information seeking; they suggest that partners discuss at this meeting the organization of the SS courses in general: content, structure, amount of required readings. This team is responsible for Recommendations which will be based on the overview of programs and

competencies (should collaborate with Sanjica, and Maja Krtalić who already collected all programs of LIS schools at partnering institutions and made them available at Google Drive) and the analysis of entry requirements. Maja noted that we should harmonize entry requirements if we plan to continue with SS. Christian added that maybe we should in time change our focus and work more on this harmonization because country requirements are different in each country and if we want mobility we have to harmonize and offer basic core knowledge/contents.

Sweden: They had successful marketing for SS – 5 applicants from outside LIS although they had problems because they had no money set aside for publishing this marketing materials and do not have good communication channels with students in general. Alen said that he presented a poster on EINFOSE project at the BOBCATSSS symposium in Tampere which was well received and he had several talks with colleagues who expressed their interest in the project. They are undertaking preliminary preparations for the next meeting in Boras (20-21 October) and all partners who will be participating are kindly asked to book their flight (and look for cheaper options) and to send Alen the dates of their arrival/departure so that local room bookings could be made. Regarding SS Alen emphasized that the content should be chosen and prepared in such a way to amuse and interest students into LIS field; it should be attractive. Also, they were advised on the selection of invited speakers (from pedagogical departments, nearby countries etc.)

Austria: Christian introduced Birgit who will be organizing the second summer school in Graz; they had 5 applicants for SS1 (among them one Korean students from outside LIS area who will be attending classes next academic year at Graz University).

Osijek: Kornelija informed that promotion for SS was done both online (among non-LIS students from Osijek university) and that print ads were distributed at several physical locations across University. However, they obtained only one applicant. She shortly reported on all activities Osijek team undertook when organizing the workshop taking place over next two days (location, scheduling, participants, social events etc.) and the work Boris and Boris did on the platform. Work on the SS courses is going as planned. The issue of accreditation of the SS was raised and decided that it should be dealt with later on, after the first actual experiences with SS.

Italy: There are now six people in the team; they are working on two courses for SS: Advances in Information Sciences and Evaluation. They had 5 applicants for the SS; they informed that they still haven't finalised some Erasmus contracts with several partners (Ljubljana, Barcelona, Ankara). They informed about preparations for final multiplier event in Pisa next year. The title of the conference was agreed upon: "International Symposium on the Future of Education for Information Science" and it will take place 10-11 September 2018, in Pisa. The conference site was checked and booked, and two invited speakers have been suggested: G. Marchionini (who chaired the 2012 conference on the future of LIS education) and A. Tammaro (who is very much involved in this topic and is local). Partners are invited to suggest subtopics of the conference by May 1st because on the first day of the conference the results of the EINFOSE project will be discussed but the remaining time slots are reserved for accepted talks/peer-reviewed papers so topics of these should be developed.

Germany: Thomas informed in detail about the organization of SS (applicants – total of 19 – institution, location, travel, reimbursements), and noted that funding is tight because among other things at some SS courses there are more than two teachers as was initially agreed upon. Participation will be covered only for two teachers from each country – one for the

summer school, and one for the project meeting (from the project management money) at the end of the week, after SS. It was said that money for intellectual output can be used to support SS. Tatjana indicated that special attention should be given to students with special needs, if there are some who applied.

4. OER's structure, organization and content

All partners participated in the revision of the SS schedule in order to achieve ideal schedule, having in mind the number of courses, social events, meetings, evaluation etc. Tatjana reminded that all partners should coordinate their courses and teachers who are on those courses. It was agreed that all courses should have an outline of their structure and content by May 15.

5. Preparation for the ESSIS summer school, Hildesheim, August 2017

Applicants have been approved. The names of teacher who will participate in the teaching was confirmed (Advances in IS: Thomas, Sanjica, Polona or Maja; Evaluation: Kornelija, Elena and Irem; Research Methodology: Tonta, others TBA; Information seeking TBA). It was decided that students should be given some kind of obligatory pre-assignment maximum 3 weeks prior to coming to Katlenburg and that each course can have only one such task (it should be carried in mind that some students might not be familiar with the platform). Since students cannot be evaluated for such a short period of time, the courses will have Pass/Fail mark. Evaluation of both students and teachers will take place at SS. A PowerPoint presentation shall be unified, with EINFOSE logo, to be used by all teachers. Osijek will provide this. It was agreed that extra credits (2 or 4) can be earned by students who enrol in LIS school, after the SS, so that they can work with individual teachers (in only one course, according to their interest) and can be graded for their activities. In such way, these ECTS can probably be recognized as electives at local institution. Each partner should look into possibilities of accreditation of the SS at their institution.

The meeting was closed by Tatjana Aparac Jelušić at 1 p.m.

Minutes of the meeting taken by: Sanjica Faletar Tanacković