

**EUSW – Direction Board meeting at Parma**  
**14<sup>th</sup> March 2007 (16. 30 p.m. – 19.30 p.m.)**

**Participants**

Annamaria Campanini  
Maria Michailidis  
Guenter Friesenhahn  
Staffan Hojer  
Gudrun Ehlert  
Answin Weissenborn  
Jan Agten  
Ewa Kantowicz  
Christine Labonté - Roset  
Loredana Gianolini  
Alessandro Bernazzoli  
Anne Karin Larsen ( from 17.45)

**1. Welcome**

**2. Report from Annamaria about the half-way report.** The report has been sent to Brussels, until there is no feedback about it. Everybody should remember to document all EUSW activities and send the documents to Alessandro. Alessandro and Loredana will send the interim report to the board members soon.

**3. Report about the meeting with the leaders of other thematic networks.** Annamaria has been there. It is still import to be present at these meetings. There are 64 thematic networks at the EU. There will be another meeting of the Archeipelago at the 1. and 2. June in Brussels. Annamaria and Staffan will represent our network at this meeting.

**4. The international Master's degree in family-related social service in Europe** will start at August 2007. Students from partner organisation of the EUSW network will pay half price of the fees: 500 € instead of 1000 €. Students have to apply until the 25<sup>th</sup> April 2007. 40 students are needed.

**5. The conference** Annamaria explains organisational changes.

Plan for the EUSW – book stand

Thursday:

Break Nr 1 Maria

Lunch: Staffan

Break Nr. 2 , 15.30 – 16.00 Ewa

Friday

Before the keynote: Answin

10.30 – 11.00: Günter

Lunch: Anna Karin or Remmelt

15.30 – 16.00 Remmelt

Saturday

8.30 – 9.00: Gudrun

10.30: Maria

## **6. External Evaluation – ENQUAS**

Christine explains the focus of the external evaluation. Two experts will do the evaluation, Christine will organise it. They need all written material from workshops, summer school etc. There should be a self-report of some projects, after it's the experts decide which events they will visit.

The self-report should be made first – until summertime. First they should look at the interim report. And they need a list of all dates. Staffan will be the contact person.

## **7. Reports from the working groups**

### **WG 1 Educational opportunities**

Staffan explains the programme of the **training course in Göteborg** in April, which is available on the EUSW-website.

**Summer school:** Answin explains the programme, which is available on the EUSW-website now. There are no restrictions about the sending institutions of the students. They don't have to be members of the network. It will be quite inexpensive for students because the organisers try to do their best in finding cheap accommodation. Deadline 15<sup>th</sup> of April, they anticipate 100 students.

Perhaps this summer school could be a model for future times, beyond the network. (Sustainability)

Tony Benjamin has written an e-mail and told that he can't work for the EUSW-network anymore. Ewa Kantowicz will be the new chair of WG 1.

### **WG 2**

Book 4 will be ready in summer. Günter has produced in cooperation with Carocci a leaflet, which introduces all books.

The last book? The subject is not yet finally discussed. The Research Group, The Publications Group and the Networking/International development should decide about the issue and report it back to the board.

### **WG 3 Information**

Gudrun and Ursula Schlupeck produced newsletters with the reports/articles have been sent. The next newsletter should be finished in June, all participants are invited to write articles, notes etc. Students of VIRCLASS could be asked.

### **WG 4 ODL**

The FORUM is not used. Some groups have e-mail-lists. We should try to ask each group leader to use the FORUM for the communication. We should not close it down, we will/may use it for the VIRCLASS-students and the summer school students – this could be a place. We try to make a new attempt.

### **WG 5 Meetings and conferences**

We are supposed to have a group and a responsible person. We are looking for a person and will discuss this issue in Sevilla again.

#### **WG 6 Networking and International development**

Jan got only 5 feedbacks for the questionnaire. An online-database would be the solution, Jan suggested. We will produce a tool for networking with the database. We will check the technical and financial problems.

#### **WG 7 Research opportunities**

The data base is finished. The group will meet in May, they are working about poverty. Maria will present the results at the summer school. Maria is still in touch with CERTS, although nobody managed to go the conference. We have several paper presentations at this conference. Maria will list the titles/papers presented at the EASSW conference now.

#### **WG 8 Tuning**

Nick has sent proposals to discuss on a meeting during the conference.

#### **VIRCLASS**

They have discussed several possibilities for financing the courses in the future. Anne Karin is waiting for the responses from the partners until the end of March. There are plans to increase the network. There will be 10 free places from Eastern European students. The virtual book – a guide to social work in Europe is finished. It is announced on the VIRCLASS website.

Next board meeting in Koblenz

From 31<sup>st</sup> August 2007 to 1<sup>st</sup> September 2007

The core board will prepare this meeting, one important issue is the future after this network.