

## Cost Action E53 – SC Meeting in Paris

date: Thursday, 26.03.2009, 15.00 – 17.00 hrs

Friday, 27.03.2009, 8.30 – 16.00 hrs

att.: Robert Kliger, Charlotte Bengtsson, Wolfgang Gaard, Knut Magnus Sandland, Johannes Welling, Zeljko Gorisek, Udo Sauter, Julia Denzler

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### 1. Welcome

### 2. Secretary: Julia Denzler

### 3. Summary of Activities 2008

Robert summarized the FPS Meeting in Zagreb and presented the Poster and the slides he showed there. Two main points were questioned for our cost action: early stage researchers, gender participation.

There were not enough short term scientific missions (STSM) in our Cost Action. 4/year should be used. In 2009 there is one accepted, another one is planned. If the lady from Hamburg wants to work with the questionnaire (see point 4), she will perhaps spend some time in NTI. If there are any other ideas, just contact Robert.

Training schools: WG1 and WG3 should organise training schools. For WG2 (Hans Welling) there is an idea on discolouration, for WG3 there is an idea on visual grading (Charlotte, Julia and Geert Ravenshort will talk about that in Bled.)

Global dimension: We have appr. 300 downloads of Delft proceedings from all over the world. Delft University asked for some information before it was allowed to download the proceedings. This system should be used in the future. Wolfgang is going to send the link so that everyone can check it. Zeljko will organise this for Bled

Robert is going to send the presentations given on FPS conferences so far to Hans to put it on the website.

Cost really encourages us to propose new cost actions in our research field (more technical research). Deadline for Proposals for new cost action projects: September or October. At the moment there is a two step system: For the first step, two pages are sufficient. in a second step, the whole MoU should include appr. 8 pages. The rate to succeed is 10%, 90% will fail.

One idea is energy aspects combined with wood products. This should be discussed at the SC meeting (ideas should be collected to prepare for that meeting).

Assessment criteria for new cost actions:

1. impact (addressed to real current problems/scientific issues)
2. innovation (addressed to real current problems/scientific issues)
3. science (addressed to real current problems/scientific issues)
4. right for cost (cost best address for achieving the actions objectives)
5. presentation

#### 4. Task group for requirements and the specification of end-use related properties

Questionnaire is extended for 2 month (200 Euros a month) and will be closed 31 May 2009. There is a complete rate of 60-70 percent and more than 700 have answered the questionnaire at the moment. Knut

There are some technical problems with the questionnaire. Knut will check this. Knut will check how much work it is to find out the number of answered questionnaires in each country (e.g. divide Germany, Austria and Switzerland). And he will find out if using the program to archive preliminary results will cost additional money. Knut

Discussion on how to analyse the questionnaire. NTI will store the whole database and will send the parts referring to specific countries to the different countries. Hans  
Hans has a lady who wants to do the analysis as a diploma work. This person can start within 1 or 2 month, but Hans is going to ask her. If there should be a template how to analyse the questionnaire will be discussed in Bled. Hans

#### 5. Meeting in Bled – agenda and timetable

It combine a number of seminar meetings and it is not a conference.

21.04.2009 Tuesday (moderator Robert)

14.00 – 14.15 hrs	welcome and opening
14.15 – 14.45 hrs	Matthias Brännström
14.45 – 15.15 hrs	Johannes Welling
15.15 – 15.45 hrs	coffee break
15.45 – 16.15 hrs	Andres Nyrud
16.15 – 16.30 hrs	questions and responsibility per country
16.30 – 17.30 hrs	separate WG meetings on questionnaire
18.00 – 23.00 hrs	evening program
(18.00 – 19.00 hrs	bus drive to Ljubljana
19.00 – 20.00 hrs	walk around Ljubljana
20.00 – 22.00 hrs	meal
22.00 – 23.00 hrs	bus drive back to Bled)

22.04.2009 Wednesday

09.00 – 10.00 hrs	separate WG meetings
10.00 – 10.45 hrs	coffee break with poster sessions
10.45 – 12.30 hrs	separate WG meetings
12.30 – 13.30 hrs	lunch
13.30 – 14.15 hrs	plenary WG-meeting + questionnaire
14.15 – 14.45 hrs	coffee break
14.30 – 15.15 hrs	SC+ Task group meeting
15.15 – 16.00 hrs	MC meeting
16.30 – 17.30 hrs	EDG General assembly

Robert will send an e-mail asking for ideas how to evaluate the questionnaire in different countries to all participants of the MC. Additionally, he will send another e-mail to the MC to propose a responsible person in each country to analyse the questionnaire and then ask in each country to perform the evaluation This e-mail will include the questionnaire as pdf-file.

Robert

Ideas for the aims for the evaluation of the questionnaire:

1. presentation to the outsiders
2. what do we want to learn out of the questionnaire?

Robert is inviting our rapporteur to Bled.

Robert

Zeljko is thinking of someone from Slovenia to give a short presentation. He will inform the SC-group if he find one and in this case he find one will change the timetable.

Zeljko

Zeljko will clarify if Bajraktari Agron/Kosovo and Bedelean Bogdan/Romania want to be reimbursed. If they want to be reimbursed they need to give a short presentation within the WGs to be "invited speakers". Otherwise they would not be reimbursed. Zeljko will inform Robert about their reaction and will send their CVs and short abstracts of their presentations to Robert if they want to be invited speakers.

Zeljko

Agendas for the working groups should be written and send to Robert. Arto already send this agenda from WG1

Arto,  
Hans,  
Charlotte

All WGs should produce some kind of documents referring to the MoU of our Cost Action and this should be sent to Robert afterwards. The report from Oslo may help to provide a template. It is important that each WG choose a secretary for each meeting and discussions are well documented.

Udo  
Hans  
Charlotte

## 6. Preparation of activities for the final year of the Action

The final report should contain a condensed version (what has been achieved within our Cost Action). As an annex the conference proceedings and the products we produced should be included. Robert will ask Cost Office if there is a template available.

Robert  
SC  
members

Robert will prepare a list of deliverable out of MoU of our Cost Action and will send it to SC members before next SC meeting. The document will be checked by all SC members.

Conference in Lisbon, Portugal 22-23 October 2009  
 “Technical and economic aspects on quality control for wood and wood products”  
 Robert will contact José António Santos, who is responsible for the conference, which content he is expecting. Robert and José António will give out a call for papers. The program must be fixed in June.

Robert  
 José

We suggest the following program:

22.10.2009 Thursday (Conference in LNEC Institute)

09.00 - 12.30 hrs presentations (invited speakers + questionnaire results)

12.30 – 14.00 hrs lunch and coffee

14.00 – 17.00 hrs presentations

20.30 – 22.00 hrs dinner at Solar do Vinho do Proto

23.10.2009 Friday

09.00 – 11.30 hrs WG meetings or plenary presentations

11.30 – 12.15 hrs Close of the meeting and MC meeting

12.15 – 13.00 hrs Lunch

13.00 – 18.30 hrs tour

José António should suggest max 3 hotels which are not too far away from each other where LNEC can be reached within max 10 minutes.

A combined SC meeting and task group meeting is planed on 11 or 12 June 2009 or 28 or 29 September 2009. June is preferred due to the proposal of a new Cost Action, the closing of our questionnaire and the final planning of the conference in Lisbon.

Robert  
 José  
 António

Robert will inform Arto and José António, who will also take part in the SC meeting.

Final conference in XXX May 2010

“Future aspects on quality control for wood and wood products”

Volunteers for the conference will be asked on MC meeting in Beld. If there is no volunteer, our suggestion is Italy or Sweden.

## 7. EU VII FP any projects proposal coming form our group & new cost actions

7<sup>th</sup> Framework project, Wood Wisdom or ERANET program are not that interesting for us as a group. For new cost action see point 3

## 8. Budget 2008-2009, STSM

Robert will check the budget of our Cost Action. The result will be presented in Bled in the MC meeting.

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