

Minutes

INTERACT Daily Management Group Meeting

20 September 2022

Participants: Kirsi Latola, Margareta Johansson, Luisella Bianco, Morten Rasch, Hannele Savela, Elmer Topp- Jørgensen, and Katharina Beckmann

Termination report Russian partners

All Russian partners have submitted their termination reports in time which was excellent considering that they are being kicked out of the project. The reports will now be checked by the EU and hopefully approved soon so that we can calculate the new budget for INTERACT III which is needed for planning the future of the project when the collaboration with Russia is on pause.

Amendment INTERACT 3

One amendment has been sent to the EU for review. The amendment is to terminate the contract for the Russian research station NESS (North-East Science Station) which was not automatically terminated as it does not belong to a state-owned institution. However, as NESS's main task in INTERACT is to provide transnational access which is not possible under current circumstances we were recommended to terminate their contract. We plan to submit another amendment when this has been approved including the request for a one-year prolongation and for changing some deadlines of milestones and deliverables.

General Assembly

All planning for the upcoming general assembly in Iceland is made and only very minor things are left to be done.

- Katharina will adjust the agenda after input from Elmer and Morten

Upcoming meetings

Arctic Science Summit Week, 17-24 February 2023, Vienna, Austria

Some DMG members will be at the ASSW in Vienna. There is a milestone in WP 3 regarding the TA user community and this will be arranged at the ASSW. Also, there was a suggestion of submitting an abstract about biodiversity together with CAFF (but a permission is needed from the Danish government to be able to include CAFF, and abstract submission deadline is today 20th September).

4th Scientix Conference, 18-19 November 2022, online

Agata Gozdzik will present educational material for STEM at the 4th Scientix conference in November this year.