

Meeting minutes

Daily Management Group Meeting

30 May 2023

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1. INTERACT 2 Final Payment

19 partners need to return money. 9 of them have already done so and we are waiting for the 10 remaining ones. When this money has been returned, the payment to the remaining partners will start.

2. INTERACT 3 Review meeting

All WP leaders did an excellent job at the review meeting by presenting the work carried out in their work package during the last 18 months and by responding to any comments or questions the reviewers had. It was very nice to hear from our EU scientific officer that INTERACT is looked upon as a role model for dissemination. Also, we were told that a prolongation of the project could be taken for granted due the impacts of covid-19 in the first two years of our project period. The reviewer will now summarize their comments and when we are able to submit our periodic report in the EU system (when the technical problem has been solved) then we will receive their comments and the comments of the financial officer.

3. INPA

General Assembly

At the annual meeting, there were 10 physical participants and more than 10 online. People were eager to participate and contribute and to get more stations involved. This GA was a little tight on the schedule (there was only one day planned for meetings) so the next GA should be over 2 days to allow more discussions on the action plan for the coming year.

Arctic Passion Update

Margareta participated online at the Arctic Passion General Assembly representing INPA. The progress made during the last year was presented, i.e. where we are at with improving the monitoring at 10 terrestrial research stations. It was a fruitful meeting.

eRImote

Soon the second workshop will be held. In addition, Hannele has together with other eRImote colleagues developed a questionnaire on "Best Practices, Bottlenecks and Challenges of Digital and

Remote Access Services of Research Infrastructures” that will be circulated widely during the next coming days.

Website

Katharina showed the new website that she and Vanessa have been working on. Some input came immediately, but they will work on populating the website for another week, and then there will be an opportunity for the DMG to go through the whole website and give their input. Luisella will share the website plans that were drawn up for the current INPA website so that these thoughts can be implemented and the wheel doesn't have to be re-invented.

Fundraising

A survey will be sent out next week to the INPA member stations on how they can contribute to fundraising for INPA. It was suggested to have a closer look at the “Foundation Prince Albert II de Monaco” and explore our possibilities to apply for funding. We would need to brainstorm on how to approach them for donation to a TA programme. There must be other, similar foundations that we can approach. We would need to pinpoint different national foundations. This discussion should be continued in the INPA fundraising action group.

4. INTERACT meetings

General Assembly

We have sent out the invitation with the registration link.

- Katharina will check for online participation possibilities

Next DMG Meeting

Suggestion is 13-15 CEST on the 22 August.

- Katharina will send out an invitation

Northwards premiere

We aim to have the premiere the first weekend in October in Stockholm. We should try to invite the Crown Princess of Sweden and hopefully we will be able to bring together many interested people that can support INPA's future work. In the week starting the 9th October, there will be a screening in Orvieto, Italy. It would be a nice idea to have a physical DMG meeting back-to-back if many of the DMG members are able to join this event.

- Terry, Margareta and Luisella will discuss the premiere further.

5. External Meetings

Arctic Circle 19-21 October

We have two sessions proposed: One infrastructure catalogue session (Polardex, INTERACT GIS etc) and one movie night. If we get our sessions approved, we would like to have our BBC film premiere here. We want to target Ambassadors and other possible donors at this event.

- Katharina will apply for a booth
- Hannele, Maggan and Elmer are working on a questionnaire for TA users, station managers and external users for the contributions to the ICARP IV process.

Arctic Frontiers & ASSW/AOS

INTERACT is likely to participate but we haven't yet planned how. We will continue this planning after the summer at the next DMG meeting.

6. Any other issues

BBC films

The BBC have asked if they should distribute the links to the films to the contributors of the films. However, we have decided to get back to them after the premier as we would like a proper premiere at the Arctic Circle in Reykjavik. We concluded that we don't have a trailer for the films and that this was needed to advertise the premiere.

- Terry will contact BBC and ask if they are able to produce a trailer. If not, Luisella can help to produce a trailer from the material we have got.

Meta-analysis of projects done within INTERACT

To ensure that the legacy of the transnational access part of INTERACT will be visible in the future, Hannele suggested that we should make a meta-analysis of the TA projects carried out within INTERACT, focusing on what we learned through TA and how it has evolved from INTERACT I to INTERACT III. A postdoc will be hired at University of Oulu to make the analysis of the data.

Brainstorming session about a new movie

Luisella, Giorgio Lupano and Terry will meet in Buxton to brainstorm on some new video to help people think about the Arctic as a future home for people.