

2. Administrative Update

- **Partner Issues**

IL3-UB

Laura has moved from her job in IL3-UB. Her replacement as Value representative is Gemma Mas but she will not attend the conference. We are pursuing other colleagues at the University of Barcelona

CDC, University of Babes-Bolyai

Cristina Rigman will not attend the conference.

CEV

Markus Held is leaving CEV. CEV has said that it will send a representative to the conference

SGF

Emese has not been in contact directly but she has responded to a Friend Request on Facebook.

NOC&NSF

Will be represented in Ankara by Margot Kouwenberg

- **Budget**

There is an underspend in both the time and travel budgets. This is explained by:

- some partners being unable to attend meetings and, therefore, using neither time nor travel allocations
- partners reporting less than budgeted travel amounts (cheap flights etc)
- some partners reporting fewer than their allocated days

- **Resources**

Website resources continue to build up.

The projected number of Expert Contacts stated in the proposal will not be met. In reality, 100 was an ambitious target. We anticipate that we will have up to 60. Whilst in some partner countries we have been able to identify several experts, in some countries this has been difficult because university-volunteering interaction is far less well developed. The spread of experts is therefore variable. However we will compensate for this by having additional resources such as useful presentations and extensive thematic bibliographies Value is also, of course, creating experts through its work and all the partners can now be classed as experts although they will not be included in the experts list.

This issue has been explained to the EACEA.

- **Website**

The website is currently being edited for consistency of style. Changes requiring technical input (eg. expert quick search list, CSV.net) will be complete within the next few weeks.

The Facebook page is being used to promote the conference. There is now a link to the page from the Value home page. Shortened versions of abstracts (or just workshop questions) will be posted to try to generate discussion that could be fed into the workshop discussions.

- **Extension to Value Contract**

The MG is asked to consider the issue of requesting an extension to the project contract. This would allow us to:

- Produce additional printed materials arising from the resources, conference and sub-groups. These could be translated into partner languages and printed in a high quality format

And / Or

- Convene an additional meeting – possibly attached to the planned final MG meeting. This would allow a considered reflection on “what next” using the outcome of the conference discussions (in particular the World Cafe session) and could plan, in concrete terms, future project applications.

Both would be delivered within the existing budget