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"RESPONSE" project Steering Committee coordination meeting & combined with dissemination and networking activities – meeting minutes

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1. Acceptance of Agenda and SC members present at the meeting

Agenda was accepted through e-mail communications. Due to many planned activities concerning networking (ENFSI-DWG subcommittees: profiling and quality assurance; other EU stakeholders) SC had several per-partes meetings.

SC meeting Dublin 2015 - atendees: Filip Van Durme (NICC, Belgium), Lotte Ask Rietzel (UNI CPHG, Denmark), Laurence Dujourdy (INPS France), Tamas Csesztregi (HIFS, Hungary), Tomislav Houra (MUP, Croatia), Katja Benčina (Mol Slovenia), Sonja Klemenc (Mol, Slovenia), Ana Galegoss (EMCDDA).

Also present (at some parts): Fabrice Besacier, Natacha Gentile, Natalie Meert, Calude Guillou, Irene Breum Muller, Natasa Radosavljević Stevanović...).



RESPONSE project SC meeting in Dublin Castle Foto by Róbert (HIFS, Hungary)





RESPONSE project (part of the project "staff") - Presentation of some activities at the ENFSI DWG meeting in Dublin

Castle, May 2015

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2. Project progress monitoring

2.1 Action list was checked.

<u>Outcome/conclusion 2.1:</u> For the first four months majority of the planned activities are in line with the scheduled plans. The exceptions are test purchases of internet NPS which seems to be more demanding and time consuming than expected (see below).

2.2 Intermediate evaluation.

Outcome /conclusions (2.2):

So far mainly all tasks schedulled in the "Project description and implementation" (see Anex1 to the project AG) are timely completed and records available.

Instrument purchasing, instalation and validation at NFL (SI) has been completed. Records available. Staff training still has to be completed.



Development of profiling metodology on the expert exchange basis (FR/SI) follows scheduled plan.

Some activities run (development of IR database, searchable IR libraries, guidelines) even faster than planned (M15 to M24) mainly due to excellent networking, cooperation and support which RESPONSE project receives from ENFSI DWG subcommitte (quality assurance) and its membership. It has been decided that the document (draft english version presented by Tamas) with the working title "Support for FT-IR ATR technique used for identification of illicit drugs and new psychoactive substances" will be issued as joint RESPONSE project - ENFSI DWG document. Four formats of the small "RESPONSE project library were prepared by Tamas as well.

There is a small "deficit" concerning the number of the purchased test samples (internet NPS). This task seems to be more demanding and time consuming than expected. Despite the fact that "A systematical methodology for finding novel NPS (New Psychoactive Substances) over the Internet" has been established purchasing procedures are still slow. There are several reasons for this: a great care has been taken to protect the importing Slovenian companies from any legal risk and/or higher financial loses. In this regard the chain of information exchange system - strategy (Police/Ministry of Health/ Customs) has been developed first. Second, it has been decided that only relatively financially small orders will be done at the time. Third, some information on "trusted internet vendors" was collected and should be continuously checked in practice. Other difficulties as "out of stock" or not delivered parcels and/or long delivery time from China also slow down the process.

Dissemination and networking activities: in line with plans /see the presentations from Dublin meeting (poster: P-6 and orals: O-12, O-17 as well as DWG subcommittees reports on: quality assurance (FTIR matters are covered there), profiling (workshop on profiling), communication (mass spectral library)) given by the project staff members at the Dublin ENFSI DWG meeting./

Despite some difficulties concerning the test purchasing of NPSs the first set of 19 "identification reference material samples (together with analytical reports) have been shared with interested project partners and wider (in month 3).

Communications and information exchange between the response PROJECT and EMCDDA continue. Project manager prepared a special "non public opened report" with regard to dismantled processing and packaging facility (in SI 2014/2015) that was producing a range of 'legal high' products. Ms Ana Gallegos invited the RESPONSE project manager to give the presentation about that case at the 15th annual meeting of the Reitox Early-Warning System network (in June 2015).



2.3 Time adjustments of future activities

Outcome/conclusion 2.3:

So far no major changes with regard to the planned time schedule.

2.4 Open points/ suggestions

Outcome/conclusions 2.4a:

There are some open points with regard to the profiling database (the software part only) development in SI which should be clarified during the next visits (SI/FR partners) – june/september 2015. The Croatian laboratory offered the assistance as they are organized simmilary to the Slovenian NFL (one laboratory covers the whole country).

Suggestion/Clonclusion 2.4b:

<u>Suggestion:</u> about 'upgrade' of NMR measurements in the RESPONSE project into quantitative NMR (qNMR) measurement which can be used to check if the purity of the seized/purchased (or purified) material is equivalent to a pure substance or specific salt form.

<u>Conclusion:</u> The proposal and possibilities will be discussed with FKKT Slovenian partner in charged for NMR measurements.

3. Profiling workshop in Ljubljana, June 15-18, 2015

3.1 List of registered participants

Outcome 3.1/ conclusions:

Trainees: 14 participants form EU countries (+3 from the host (SI)) + 2 from not EU members (on self costs) has been registered until dead line(30th April 2015)

Trainers: 3 from the RESPONSE project partners (France, Belgium) + 2 from Batochime, University of Lausanne, Switzerland (travel arrangements/accommodation arrangements will be supported by ENFSI DWG)

3.2 Final programme

<u>Conclusion 3.2:</u> Program has been prepared. It will be sent out /by Fabrice/ until the end of the May 2015 together with some self learning materials (literature and raw chromatographic data). Scientific organization and management of the workshop on the spot will be covered by the trainers' team.



3.3 General organization issues

Conclusions 3.3:

General organizational issues (booking of accommodation, meeting room, 10 x computers, software: Win 7 operation system, Office 2007, USB stick for training materials, certificates of attendance and workshop evaluation form ..) will be covered by SI partner staff (NFL).

4. Communications with ENFSI DWG and other networks

4.1 Attendance of project members at DWG subcommittees (profiling and quality assurance (FTIR database) and afterwards a feedback to RESPONSE project manager

<u>Outcome 4.1:</u> Harmonized cooperation between RESPONSE project and ENFSI DWG is well established and continue as planned.

4.2 Meeting with Mr. Claude Guillou, European Commission, Joint Research Centre Institute for Health and Consumer Protection (IHCP), Chemical Assessment and Testing Unit Ispra, Italy – to discuss possible collaboration and complementarities of actions between RESPONSE and CLEN2SAND project.

<u>Outcome 4.2:</u> The projects are complementary and cooperation (information, good practices and spectra or sample exchange...) on non formal basis has been agreed.

4.3 Meeting with ENFSI DWG SC representatives to discuss organization of next the DWG meeting in Slovenia and options for networking between RESPONSE and two other planned projects.

<u>Outcome 4.3:</u> Some necessary organizational issues of the next meeting in Bled Slovenia have been discussed and agreed and contact persons defined (Natasa Rdosavljevic (DWG), DWG chair person/ Sonja Klemenc and Katja Benčina (RESPONSE project). Ms Katja Benčina gave the presentation with basic information about the next meeting in Slovenia.

5. Planning of the next SC meeting in Prague 2015

5.1 To define RESPONSE SC meeting date(s)

Outcome 5.1: The decision was postponed and will be communicated by e-mails.

5.2 Dissemination activities in Prague

<u>Outcome 5.1:</u> Conformation on acceptance of two "RESPONSE" project posters was received at 30th April from the EAFS organizing committee.



Part of dissemination activities will be covered by personal contacts.

Remark: Please note the abstract submission has been reopened. The new deadline for poster submission is 16th July 2015. Therefore you may still submit your abstract in the additional online abstract submission option.

6. Other matters

None.

7. Conclusions

Has already been presented within the text above.

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