

ACTION REPORT EC MEETING LISBOA, DECEMBER 4th 2007.

1. Define strategies for Inspectorates:

Before starting the agenda we decided to discuss this topic in order to continue to focus on previous strategic choices (Bruges, October 2007), take in consideration the outcomes of the Lisbon Workshop and define responsables for each strategy.

How to implement these strategies?

- Tools? : - 1 or 2 inspectors take the lead
- any number of SICI members can join
 - set up communities on all of these strategies
 - organise workshops, including the products visibility

I. Strategies for Inspections to the Enhancement of the Quality of Education

Resp: RFG

II. Professional development of inspection and inspectors, including a Virtual European Academy:

Resp: YV/AV/KM

- Methodology: - develop a questionnaire
- define recruitment criteria
 - propose specific training activities

III. Risk analysis as a basis for inspection, including the access and use of data

Resp: TK/PD

Timing: 1 page to be send to other EC members before 31/12/2007

Response by all EC Members not later then 15/01/2008

Methodology to be used: web based training platform

2. “Schools facing-up New Challenges”:

FdR

FdR indicated that the Conference was very successful especially the presentations of Ron Glatter,UK and Peter Mortimore,UK. PD added that the ppt-presentation of FdR, “Inspection and Schools” was very well received.

All documents and presentations have been edited on the website of IGE and SICI.

PS refers to the invitation of Serban Iosifescu concerning the co-operation with the Romanian Inspectorate (Leonardo da Vinci mobility programs for their Agency for Community Programs). He received 2 answers from the Czech and Scottish Inspectorates) (see his mail from 22/10/07; Public consultation on schools –new deadline).

There will be also opportunities in using the European Structural Funds – the Roman Agency is eligible for strategic (=big) projects, including study visits and hiring external experts. When Serban will be sure about the eligible expenditures, he will ask us some advice regarding the ways SICI could be involved in the development of quality assurance mechanisms in Romania.

3. WPHRE

PS

PS explained the purpose and outcome of this regional European meeting. The EC decided not to pursue the FU of this network as we want to focus on our 3 main strategies. PS pointed out that nevertheless it is important to keep contact with this network because of the importance and exposure it brings to SICI. The networking aspects are important to continue the growth of SICI's own network. PS made a.o. contact with an Inspector of Secondary Education of Cyprus. His colleague participated to our workshop in Lisbon and has confirmed that the want to join SICI.

Several other formal contacts have been made with potential new members for SICI. PS will keep in touch with the organisers of WPHRE.

4. BLUE BOOK

PS/FdR

YV communicated 2 titles of books which are very interesting to read:

- Roger Standaert, Inspectorates of education in Europe. A critical analyses. ACCO, Leuven, 2001.
- Christine De Coninck, Rita Dunon, Laurent Oscaer, Chris Van Woensel, Els Ver Eecke, Roland Voet. Equilibrium. Evenwicht tussen interne en externe evaluatie op de Europese scène. DVO, Ministerie van de Vlaamse Gemeenschap, 2005.

Last status and actions see short report of PS dated 19/12/07.

5. WORKSHOPS 2008:

FK/PS

See SICI DRAFT CALENDAR 2008.

If Cyprus does not organise a workshop we will have to fix a **date for our first EC Meeting. The responsible organisers are requested to communicate exact dates and titles as soon as possible.**

6. LAY-OUT ANNUAL REPORT

VW/HK

The EC-members are still waiting for a proposal for the new annual report.

We suggest that VW makes a proposal to HK, and when they both come to an agreement the proposal is sent to the other members for approval.

Deadline: 15/01/2008

7. WEBSITE/COMMUNITIES

VW/HK

As communities are not visited enough HK will send training instructions “how to handle community messages” to all EC and GA members.

Deadline: 15/01/2008

8. MEMBERSHIPS 2007/2006. OUTLOOK 2008

PS

PS has distributed an overview of the members in 2006 and 2007.
From 16 (contributing) members in 2006 we have now 22 (contributing) members.
(only Macedonia has not paid his fee since it became full member).
The amount of membership fees (including over dues) has increased from 48.000,00 €
to 75.000,00 € (see corrected overview in att).

Outlook 2008 :

- We expect that after our discussions with José-Maria Azevedo in Lisbon, Azores and Madeira will join SICI under the membership fee of Portugal.
- We expect the following regions/countries to join as well: Rhineland-Palatinate, Cyprus, Estonia, Croatia, Lower Saxony and Sleswich-Holstein.

9. STATUS ACTIONS: REPORT 2/10/2007

ALL

- Blue Book : meeting with researcher UA(Dimokritos Kavadias) is planned for 18/12/2007
- WPHRE : PS will not put a report on the website as this topic is not going to be pursued, except for networking purposes

10. OVERVIEW PROGRESS REPORT:

FdR

Responsibilities new EC members:

- RFG: Responsible for defining new strategies for Inspectorates
- AV: Co-responsible for the European Inspectorates' Academy
- FK: Workshop coordination
- VW : Webmaster and Communications

11. AOB:

All new members are kindly requested to send their complete co-ordinates to PS in order to print their SICI business cards:

Name of Inspectorate, address, tel, fax, mobile, mail address