

COST Action CA18126 Writing Urban Places New Narratives of the European City

Core Group meeting

Monday, April 4 2022, through zoom

present: Klaske, Kinga, Marcel, Sonja, Jorge, Angeliki, Slobodan, Dalia, Onorina, Luis, Carlos, Susana, Willie
minutes: Willie/ Klaske

1 Open meeting of 30/3, new dates

Responses from several members of the core group:

The online Open Meeting of 30/3 was a success: open, relaxed, and informative. New members came in and got information. A decent number of people (30-40) joined.

Format: 1 hour general update by chairs, working group leaders and people who initiate a call/project, then one hour break out rooms for different ongoing projects. This format worked very well and can be repeated in the next openmeetings

In line with the newsletter, Onorina proposed the following dates:

June 29 >this one is quite late: maybe late may/early June, before the Tampere meeting?

September 28 >this one is right after the event and MC meeting in Skopje, maybe earlier?

December 21

Onorina will be in touch with the WG leaders and organisers of projects to find the most suitable dates

2 Preparations Osijek

Sonja: Covid-measures in Croatia may change April 15th. Now, facemasks are recommended indoors and covidpass is asked at some occasions. Sonja will keep us posted about changes after April 15th

Almost everything is set. The program has been updated a bit further although it has been sent already. Presentation Writingplace journal issue#6 on Thursday evening as closure of the Training school?

Sonja will send the general program to the communication team so it can be online.

Training school had 4 cancellations, 2 local, 2 international. Can we invite the ones on the waiting list? Yes, Sonja will discuss this with Salma

Marcel: tip for Transport > direct flight from Dubrovnik at around 18:00 on Thursday, which only takes 30 min.

Core group meeting in Osijek is set > a link will be circulated for those core group members not physically present.

We will have a morning session and afternoon session, in between long lunch break with a walk in the city. Morning session for ongoing issues, afternoon to discuss the future perspectives.: GP4, possible follow-up of the COST Action into new projects.

Any suggestions for other topics for the meeting can be sent to Klaske.

3 Enrollment & preparations Tampere

The call for participation closed and there are 30 applications. Only 20 people can join. Make sure all WG's are represented.

Luc and Jeremy will join the organising team as they will be guiding the workshop in terms of methods.
The team: Dalia, Elina, Panu, Luc, Jeremy

Wednesday 8th of June > first day of the workshop. That day Luc will give a lecture on methods (visual narratives).
Jeremy proposed a Poetry mid-night session. (In Finland in June, there will be light nights!)

The meeting of WG3 will happen during the first day, so that WG3 can also join Luc's lecture

LOS: local organiser support. Dalia and Elina can arrange this with Salma. The LOS offers budget to cover transport for the group if necessary, printing costs, cost for the venue (if applicable), coffee breaks and refreshments.

Dinner, lunch and accommodation will be covered by the participants themselves through their Daily Allowance.
Local participants do NOT get daily allowance (as it is assumed they already have accommodation), they could get a very small amount of 10 euro/day (check with Salma)
> klaske will bring Dalia in contact with SALma

Luis > will the lectures be filmed or not? Dalia will check this with the school.

Klaske > do we have an idea about the WG group division. It would be good to have an idea if people from different working groups join.

Jorge > informs about local media strategy. Panu works on this as he has good contact with local media, he involved the local broadcasting company Yle.
> Jorge and Panu will talk on this.

4 Announcing Canakalle and Skopje

Slobodan discussed with Giuseppe that Canakalle will be announced April 15,, Skopje mid-May, so that there is no overlap.

The calls for Osijek and Tampere were very inviting and user friendly with the google forms. Make use of the good examples!

Slobodan reports from Skopje: organising team has started: Slobodan, Blagoja, Marija, Aleksandar
First meetings have been set up. When the call is in a draft version it will be shared with the core team.

Note Dalia > what is the line of communication when the main organizer is not in the core group.

> all emails to Slobodan and Luis as fieldwork coordinators, put Onorina and Jorge in the cc for communication

5 'Virtual Mobility Grant' for Ukrainian scholars (see attachments)

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6 Any other issues

Kinga: STSM call is online, no submissions yet for STSM. They need to prepare.. we expect some submissions soon. Kinga will join part of the core group meeting online.

Susanna: WPJ#7 > Would a submission about Johannesburg be accepted and if non-members can submit. Yes, non-members can submit, but the main focus will be on mid-size European cities. The editorial team will send an email to the author

Slobodan: WPJ#7 > login problem on the journal platform. Klaske, Slobodan and Luis will meet to solve this issue

Luis: maybe another check on the new fieldwork event call for GP4. For instance, should connection with vademecum/ repository be more explicit?

We can put this on agenda for the Osijek core group meeting (best in the afternoon since Luis and Slobodan are in the hybrid session.

Then we have enough time to launch the call in May and decide on all the proposals at the MC meeting in Skopje>

Carlos: very happy with the result for the Repository of Methods. We can still incorporate some more incoming entries.

Onorina: Showed some interesting screenshots of the open meeting

Willie: will post the WPJ#6 journal online!

Dalia: happy about all that is going on!

Makes a note about the subscription of the newsletter and Mailchimp for members who currently don't receive emails- Susana has already contacted the person whom this concerned and this issue is solved.

Angeliki: agrees with Dalia: happy about all that is going on!