

SAR Executive Board Meeting # 19-04

MINUTES

Date & Time: 20.09.19 – 10:00-18:00

21.09.19 – 10:00-17:00

Location: UDK Berlin – Bundesallee 1-12
Berlin

Present: Deniz Peters, Geir Strøm, Giaco Schiesser, Ang Bartram, Alexander
Damianisch, Leena Rouhiainen, Gabriele Schmid and
Johan A Haarberg

Excused: None

Next meeting:

Location: Vienna – (*Venue to be confirmed*)

Time: 11.11.19 – 10:00-18:00

12.11.19 – 10:00-17:00

1. Welcome and Approval of Agenda

The agenda was agreed, without any adjustments.

2. Endorsed Minutes Last Meeting

- Meeting # 19.03

The minutes from this meeting had already been endorsed.

3. Information

There was a joint exchange of information and updates on issues regarding artistic research and organisational matters from all present.

4. Action Plan – See Basecamp 18.08.19

- Updates
- Delivery

The Action Plan was updated and checked for deliveries.

5. Finances

- Preliminary Financial Report 31.08

The preliminary Financial Report was presented and taken into account.

- Funding Initiatives
 - Norwegian Infrastructure Funding Application – Update
 - EU Application hosted by NTNU – Update
 - Other Funding Options?

The two Norwegian funding applications where SAR had a part in have both been declined. There might, however, be some options to create alternative funding for part of the application from the University of Bergen.

There has not been an option to discuss with the Stockholm University of the Arts regarding redeveloping an application for Swedish research infrastructure funding.

No other new initiatives were on the table at this stage.

6. Members

a. Institutional Members

- Status report
- Recruiting Activities Ex.B Members
- Recruiting Activities Ex.O

A few new institutional memberships have been established during the last months, see attached list of institutional members.

The recruiting activities will continue by both the Ex.O and members of the Ex.B.

b. Individual Members

- Status report
- Plans for Community Building

Only a few new individual members have registered/paid during the last months.

In the meeting, a first sketch for community building was presented and discussed with no conclusions so far.

7. Funding Agency Seminar – Nov 2019

- Next Seminar Sweden – 20/11-21/11 2019
 - Timeframe/Scope/Topics
 - Participation/Invitations

The framework for the agenda was discussed, and AD/GeS will finalize the programme during the coming days. Based on this, invitations will be sent during the next following weeks with a final date for participation. The Finnish Academy will also be invited to participate.

8. RC + Portal Partners

- RC Development Status
- Summary Portal Partners Leiden 17/06 – 18/06

There was an update on RC developments, including measures implemented to avoid fake user registrations. There is now approx. 13.000 registered RC users.
Some action will be taken to encourage new users to receive our SARA messages.

- Call for Consortium on further RC Development – Update
Sufficient partners have now agreed to support the revised module development for the RC, and development work will start up on the first parts of the project.
This must be considered as a major step forward for the platform.

- Portal Partner Pricing Policy
A first draft for a revised pricing policy was presented and discussed with the aim to endorse a new policy in the next ExB meeting.

- RC Software Ownership – Update
A draft letter to clarify the transfer of the RC to SAR was presented and endorsed.

9. Documentation and Communication

- Status Website Transfer to Die Angewandte
Thanks to generous support from the University of Applied Arts Vienna, the SAR website has successfully been transferred to Die Angewandte.

- Status Website Updates and Content
Regular monitoring and updates are in place.

10. SAR Conferences

- SAR Conference 2019 – Documentation
A substantial documentation of the Zurich Conference is now launched on the RC

- SAR Conference 2020
 - Summary Conference and Programme Committee meetings
 - Revised Signed Agreement
 - Updated Project Time Line

The progress plan was discussed, and the Ex.B asked our Program Committee Members to look into if a prolongation of the closing date for submissions should be implemented.
There was a general discussion on principles for selecting keynote speakers as well as selection of submissions.

- SAR Conference 2021
 - Status Report
 - Revised Draft Agreement
 - Revised Draft Project Time Line
 - Appointment SAR Conference Committee Members

The Ex.O will meet with the three conference partners in the last week of September and according to plan, the conference agreement will be signed during these meetings.
Denis Peters, Gabriele Schmid and Johan A Haarberg was appointed as the SAR members of the Conference Committee.

- SAR Conference 2022
 - Status Report

An informal update with a representative of the potential host institution took place during a break in the Ex.B meeting.

11. JAR

- JAR Strategy Document
- Position Paper on Journal Quality Recognition

While there is still a need for some more detailed considerations from the Editor in Chief, the two documents were taken into account

- JAR – ExB Relations

The ExB agreed that there should be a regular meeting point with the Editor in Chief twice a year, and that this formula should be evaluated after the first year.

12. Further SAR Activities and Events

- SAR Academy – Special Interest Group
Call for Establishing SIGs and received SIG Proposals
Three proposed SIGs was agreed for SARA announcement:
 - Arts, Economics & Management Crossings – Claire Gauzente et al
 - Spatial Aesthetics – Gerriet Sharma
 - Language Arts Based Research – Alexander Damianisch

Some others will need further clarification before eventual endorsement.

The Ex.B would appreciate a feedback from each group on the impact the announcement has had for the establishing of the SIG.

- Annual Prize for Best RC Exposition
 - Action Plan for 2019
 - Proposals for New Jury Members

The regulations and eligible timespan for submissions will be kept: The exposition will have to be in English and the exposition will have to be published within the calendar year of 2019.

The closing date for submissions will be 31.01.2020.

Jury members should not have been involved in the creating or development of an exposition that has been submitted. To secure unbiased decision-making, the Ex.B will – in the next meeting – nominate three members as well as three substitute members for the jury, so the jury should be able to make decisions in all cases.

13. Partnerships + Networks

- ELIA Research Seminar Vienna 13.06-14.06.2019
 - European Networks (AEC/ELIA/SELECT/SAR and more)
Meeting in Vienna 27.08.19 to form a Working Group aiming at
Joint Position Paper on Artistic Research
 - International Conference of University Cote d’Azur on
Arts and Science – Nice 28.11-30.11
 - Creator Doctus Conference Paris 29.11-30/11
 - Information on the Erasmus Supervisor Project
- Documents, updates and/or comments were offered on all these activities

- Gesellschaft für künstlerische Forschung in der Bundesrepublik Deutschland
There were a preliminary discussion on optional relationships with this organisation and with similar organisations in general.

14. Announcement Services and Correspondents

- SARA Status report
- The system works well and we have reached our annual budget estimate for the announcement service by the end of August.
- Additional correspondents
This agenda point was transferred to a later meeting.

15. Newsletter

- Next Newsletter – Content / Deadlines / Date of Publication
Next Newsletter will be published in November, and relevant content was identified.

16. Next Meetings

- Vienna (Venue to be confirmed)
11.11.19 – 10:00-18.00 / 12.11.19 – 10:00-17:00
- Venue to be confirmed
13.02.20 – 10:00-18.00 / 14.02.20 – 10:00-17:00

17. Any other Business

- The appointment of the Election Committee should be made in the next meeting.

Outside of the agenda, the Ex.B also dedicated some time for discussing future challenges for the organisation, and the Presidential Team will distribute some tasks as preparation to the strategy session in the Vienna meeting.

Endorsed 11.11.19

Deniz Peters
President

Giacco Schiesser
Secretary