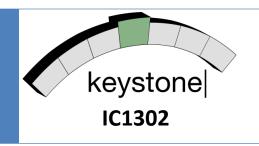
22 February 2016 Marseille France



5th MC Meeting

Francesco Guerra University of Modena and Reggio Emilia - Italy



MC Members

Country	#	Country	#	Country	#	Country	#
Austria	Χ	Belgium	X	Bulgaria	X	Croatia	Χ
Cyprus		Estonia	X	Finland	X	France	Χ
Germany		Greece	X	Ireland	X	Israel	
Italy	Χ	Malta	X	Netherlands		Norway	Χ
Poland	Χ	Portugal	X	Romania	X	Serbia	Χ
Slovakia	Χ	Slovenia		Spain	X	Sweden	
Switzerland	Χ	Turkey	X	United Kingdom	X	fYR Macedonia	Χ

22 Countries are representend in the meeting The meeting is valid (quorum 18)



- Welcome to participants
- Verification of the presence of two-thirds of the Participating COST Countries
- Adoption of agenda
- 4. Approval of minutes and matters arising of last meeting
- 5. Update from the Action Chair
 - 1. Status of Action: start and end dates of Action, participating COST countries, participating NNC / IPC institutions and Specific Organisations.
 - Short Term Scientific Missions (STSM): proposal for using remaining budget in the current GP
- 6. Update from the Grant Holder: Action budget status
- 7. Monitoring of the Action



- 8. Implementation of COST policies on:
 - a. Promotion of gender balance and Early Career Investigators (ECI)
 - b. Inclusiveness and Excellence
- Follow-up of MoU objectives
- 10. Scientific planning: Work and Budget Plan for Grant Period 3
 - Scientific strategy (MoU objectives, GP Goals, WG tasks and deliverables)
 - 2. Action Budget Planning
 - 3. Long-term planning
 - 4. Dissemination planning (Publications and outreach activities)
 - 5. Work and Business Plan for the next period
- 11. Requests to join the Action
- 12. AOB
- 13. Location and date of next meeting
- 14. Summary of MC decisions
- 15. Closing



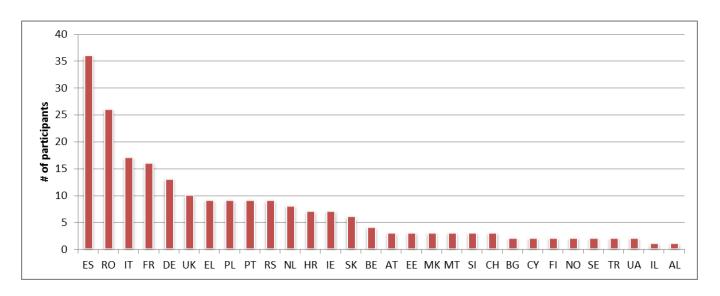
Approval of minutes and matters arising of last meeting

The minutes of the 4 MC meetings have been approved and are published in the website



Update from the Action Chair Status of the Action

- ▶ 28 Countries + 3 NNC (Albania, Russia, Ukraine)
- ▶ 51 MC Members + 4 MC Observers + 35 MC Substitutes
- 224 WG members
 - WG1 159 Members
 - WG2 157 Members
 - WG3 130 Members
 - WG4 108 Members





Update from the Action Chair Status of the Action

- 91 ECIs (40.04%)
- > 171 M / 53 F (76.34% /23.66%)



Update from the Action Chair Action budget status

- ▶ GP2
- 2 meetings
 - Spring 2015 WG Meeting (Kosice 11-12 May) 40 people [EUR 37 848.36]
 - ▶ MC Meeting + Keystone Conference 50 people [EUR 45942.48]
- ▶ 15 STSM
 - EUR 22 318.00
- 1 Training School (7 Trainers, 21 Trainees)
 - EUR 23 918.65



Update from the Action Chair STSM status and new applications

15 countries in total have been involved in this year's STSMs

	BUDGET	НОМЕ	HOST
AT	1250		11031
BG			1
FR	4228	2	
MK	1550	1	
DE	2000	2	1
EL	1300	1	
IE			1
IT	3000	2	4
NL			1
PL			1
RS	1090	1	
SI			1
ES	7900	4	1
TK			1
UK			2

Hussain Mahdi, STSM Coordinator

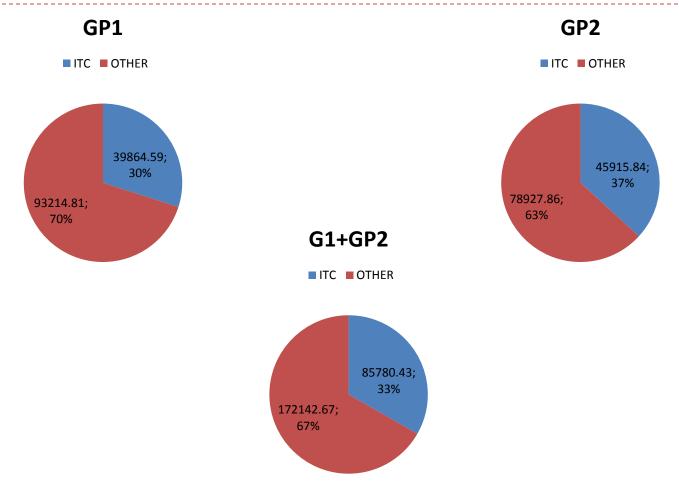


Update from the Action Chair Action budget status

- ▶ GP3
- 1 meeting with 43 participants (around 39.000 EURO)
- Total budget for scientific activities --> 46700 EURO
 - PROPOSAL TO BE APPROVED:
 - We spend the rest of the budget (around 8000 EURO) for STSMs
 - IMPORTANT: HIGH PRIORITY TO STSMs FROM ITC!

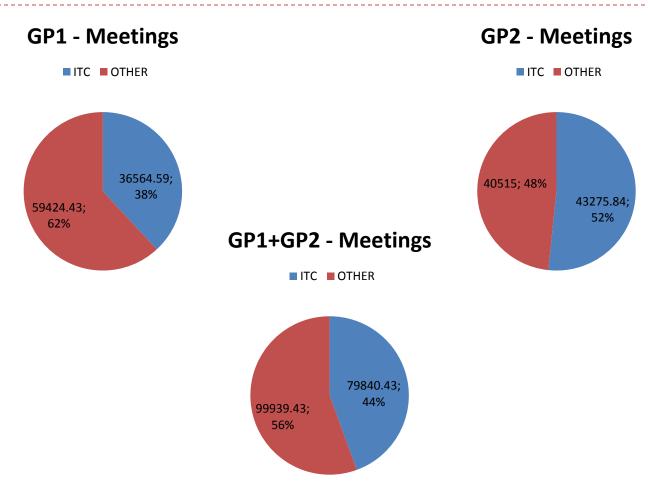


Update from the Action Chair Budget Analysis - ITC



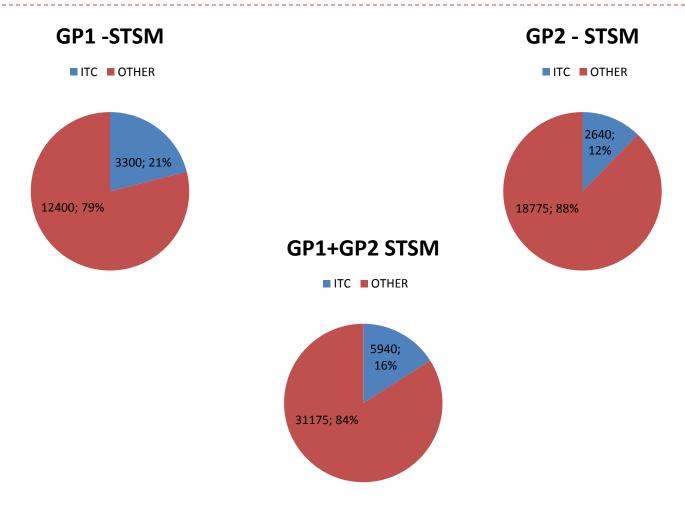


Update from the Action Chair Budget Analysis: Meetings - ITC



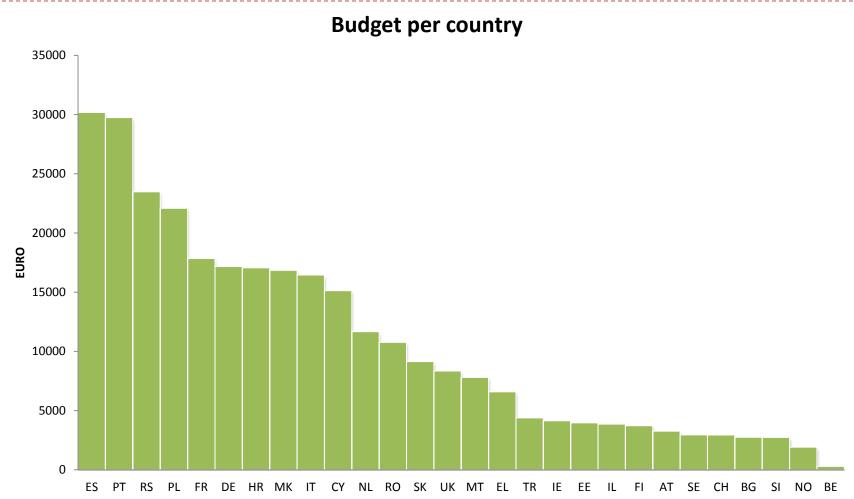


Update from the Action Chair Budget Analysis: STSMs-ITC





Update from the Action Chair Budget per country





Update from the Action Chair Monitoring of the Action

According to the COST rules, the Action is evaluated 3 times, through a monitoring report we have to produce.

Month 18	April 2015
Month 36	October 2016
Month 48	October 2017

- A report has been delivered on April 2015
 - No feedback for the moment ... the COST Office was not able to find a Rapporteur with the expertize needed for the evaluation of our Action
- Email received from our Scientific COST Officer on 9/02
 - "I am happy to announce that (at last) the Action Rapporteur of IC1302 has been appointed. It is Dr. Claus-Peter Klas from GESIS (DE). Dr. Klas has received your progress report and he's evaluating it. The deadline to submit his progress review is 8/3/16."
- Need to keep the website updated!



Promotion of gender balance and of Early Career Investigators (ECIs)

- Problem
 - Unbalanced gender?
 - ▶ 82 ECIs (38.67%) is a good result!



Update from the Grant Holder

- We can pay participants until 30 APR
 - ▶ AFTER → Money are lost
 - ▶ IMPORTANT: we need to have the budget in the e-cost in 1 week (1 March)
- E-cost:
 - All the invoices (APART FROM HOTEL, MEALS) have to be uploaded in the ecost website
 - The Boarding Passes have to be uploaded
 - TAXIS have to be REALLY justified (apart from the rides from 22 to 7)
- Remember to sign the attendance list!



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Objective as described in MoU	Ac	hie	eve	me	ent	Reason (Previous document)			
	0	25	50	75	100				
1) Creation of a network of researchers working in the field of keyword search over structured databases						In the first year we have created a network of researchers that now has to be consolidated. We started with 15 countries participating in the 1st MC Meeting and now we are 28 countries. We reached a significant number of involved countries and that now we have to work on making people collaborate with each other.			
2) Promote the development of novel techniques for keyword-based search over structured data sources						Several teams published new techniques for keyword search. 25 STSMs have been funded. Research activities started and new techniques (enabled by the Action's work) will be published in the literature. Now we have to work in supporting inter-team / inter-country research.			
3) promote a critical analysis of the emergent techniques for keyword-based search in structured data sources, identifying and critically reviewing the most promising approaches						Brainstormin sessions + Workshops promoted + Special Issues promoted + IKC 2015			



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 4) enable the creation of networks/discussion forums/mailing lists with the support of new web technologies for sharing ideas and promoting joint and multidisciplinary ideas and promoting joint and multidisciplinary research 5) enable the development of a conceptual map of the open and closed issues related to the Action themes 						KEYSTONE has a twitter channel, a LinkedIn group, 4 mailing lists and a website where people can publish and share their activities. Since the communications flow is low, we have to work on promoting it. In the meetings organized, during the brainstorming sessions we analysed open and closed issues. A white paper about	
						Semantic Keyword search in Big Data has been published and a second white paper about "Querying the Semantic Web" is scheduled.	
6) support the discussions and idea sharing among early-stage and senior researchers by means of training schools and symposia, and by promoting visiting activities and exchanges through Short-Term Scientific Missions						25 STSMs have been supported up till now. We think that this is an interesting result for an Action which has just started.	
7) support the development of scenarios, showcases and benchmarks for evaluating and comparing the approaches and the prototypes						The website will contain a section for collecting and publishing datasets.	



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8) Facilitate the transfer of knowledge and technology to the scientific community, practitioners and the enterprises						Panel in the Meeting in Riva del Garda, Training School, IKC (1 paper from enterprise)
9) Enable the participation and organisation of meetings and events with people from industry or government promoting the reuse of the Action outcomes in professional applications						No successful initiatives
10) Build a critical mass of research activities and outcomes that achieve the sustainability of the research themes beyond the Action						There are 225 WG Members in KEYSTONE. The brainstorming sessions ("team building" exercises organized during the meeting) have enabled the establishment of relationships that will continue after the end of the Action.
11) collection of the most relevant material (slides, tutorials and other training materials, scientific papers, prototypes, datasets, scenarios and benchmarks) in an open annotated bibliography for improving their dissemination, reuse and extension						The website contains a section for collecting and publishing training material.



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12) Enlargement of the network of academic and professional researchers beyond the ones initially involved for the preparation of the Action						We have to experiment new activities aiming to involve enterprises.
13) Promotion of the publication, use and sharing of open structured data through the web						There are 225 WG Members in KEYSTONE. The brainstorming sessions ("team building" exercises organized during the meeting) have enabled the establishment of relationships that will continue after the end of the Action.
14) Involvement of internationally acknowledged research centers working in the Action themes						The network of WG Members already includes people from internationally acknowledged research centers.
15) Development of cooperation relations among European research institutions to perform joint activities beyond the ones proposed in the Action (the participation in other research proposals, the development of joint doctorate courses,)						Several research teams belonging to KEYSTONE have jointly worked in applications sent to H2020 calls and to other calls for proposals.

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FRANCESCO GUERRA - 5TH MC MEETING



- ▶ GP4 (expected)
 - Amount around 130 000
 - Duration 1/5/2016 30/4/2017

- Proposal
 - ▶ IKC 2016
 - Training School 2



Long Term Scientific planning Tasks

Training school

- 5 days training school about themes related to keyword search in the Semantic
 Web
- Possible Locations:
 - Trento (Mauro Dragoni, IT): Yannis might give a talk, not that reachable
 - Santiago de Compostela (Jose Viqueira, SP): reachable via La Coruna
 - Albania: improved inclusiveness
- Possible Speakers:
 - Mihai Lupu: lupu@ifs.tuwien.ac.at topic: domain specific Information Retrieval
 - Genoveva VARGAS-SOLAR: genoveva.vargas@imag.fr
 - Elena Demidova: <u>demidova@l3s.de</u>
 - Ranka Stankovic: ranka@rgf.rs
 - Mauro Dragoni: <u>dragoni@fbk.eu</u>
 - ▶ Laura Po: topic: linked open data



Long Term Scientific planning Tasks

Open conference

"call for organization"

- No application but several people are available for contributing
- https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1-gHUmNu1-CbDSWKMz xjoys1uFJMPEun1GhkjYda3CA/edit#gid=0



Scientific planning GP4

A. COST Networking Tools	EUR	WHAT
(1) MEETINGS	60000	(MC+IKC)
(1) TRAINING SCHOOLS	30000	
(1) SHORT-TERM SCIENTIFIC MISSIONS	20000	
(1) DISSEMINATION		
(1) OERSA	500	Bank fees
A. FSAC (max. of 15% of B.)	19000	
A. TOTAL EXPENDITURE	130000	



Requests for new members

- New update in the WG Member lists (see excel file)
- ► NNC
 - COST Near Neighbour Countries include Albania, Algeria, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Egypt, Georgia, Jordan, Lebanon, Libya, Moldova, Montenegro, Morocco, the Palestinian Authority, Russia, Syria, Tunisia and Ukraine.
 - They can participate in the Action as the «normal» countries (apart for their presence in the MC)

▶ IPC: benefit

- International Partner Countries already participating in COST <u>Actions</u> include: Argentina, Australia, Bangladesh, Brazil, Canada, Chile, China, Colombia, Costa Rica, Hong Kong, India, Indonesia, Iraq, Japan, Republic of Korea, Mauritius, Mexico, Namibia, New Zealand, Pakistan, Peru, Saudi Arabia, Singapore, South Africa, Sudan, Thailand, United Arab Emirates, United States of America and Uruguay.
- They can only host STSM and participate as trainers in the Schools



Summary of the decisions

- ▶ List of electronic approvals since the 4° MC meeting
 - 26. Minute of the 4th MC Meeting
 - 27. MC Member from Slovenia
 - 28. List of the WG Members Update



List of Participants in the meeting

- Dr Burak Acar
- Dr Wouter Addink
- Dr Joel Azzopardi
- Prof Patrice Bellot
- Prof Omar Boucelma
- Dr John Breslin
- Dr Peter Butka
- Dr Andrea Cali
- Mr Tomche Delev
- Dr Elton Domnori
- Dr Mauro Dragoni
- Dr Dragana Dudic
- Prof Gilles Falquet
- Prof Antonio Farina Martinez
- Dr Nicola Ferro

- Dr Mariia Golovianko
- Dr Francesco Guerra
- Dr Atanas Hristov
- Dr Claudia Ifrim
- Dr Dragan Ivanovic
- Ms Olivera Kitanovic
- Dr Martin Lopez Nores
- Dr Mihai Lupu
- Dr Gjorgji Madjarov
- Dr Abdulhussain Mahdi
- Prof Sanda MartincicIpsic
- Dr Sergio Matos
- Prof Ana Mestrovic
- Prof Kjetil Norvag
- Dr Enn Ounapuu

- Prof Jose Ramon Rios Viqueira
- Dr Maria Del Mar Roldan-Garcia
- Mr Marius Sajgalik
- Dr Ranka Stankovic
- Dr Velislava Stoykova
- Dr Julian Szymanski
- Prof Vagan Terziyan
- Ms Lyudmyla Titova
- Dr Raquel Trillo Lado
- Dr Martin Ugarte
- Prof Yannis Velegrakis
- Dr Manolis Wallace
- Dr Slavko Zitnik