



RadioNet FP7 Executive Committee 5

Date: 19 April 2010 Place: Telecon





Participants: Michel Guélin, Michael Garrett, Huib van Langevelde, Giuseppe Cimo, Arpad Szomoru, André van Es, Emmy Boerma, Aukelien van den Poll, Corina Vogt, Simon Garrington.

Absent: Phil Diamond, Peter Wilkinson, Franco Mantovani

2. Minutes of EC04

Minutes are final, will be placed on the wiki.

3. Project Management

3.1 Contract changes:

Waiting for news from Brussels, all formalities are finished. Contract change should be approved soon (before board meeting 4 may). After contract change SHAO will be partner from 1 January 2010.

3.2 Board Meeting and MTR

Board meeting will be in Cagliari, Sardinia on 4 may. Elena Righi-Steele will not be able to attend. Because of the Iceland volcano it will be decided one week before meeting if we can go. Items for agenda:

- MTR in October in Latvia
- Astronet review
- election chair and vice-chair
- future of RadioNet (after 31-12-2011)
- JRA projects delayed (ALBiUS and APRICOT)

Action André: contact Elena on progress on infrastructures after end current RadioNet.

4. Outreach

- article submitted to European Astronomical Newsletter, appears in June.
- preparing few more postcards
- RadioNet was present at ECRI meeting in Barcelona (poster)

5. Progress on NA

Ongoing, no big problems. Event calendar is nicely filled.

6. Progress on JRA

Financial overview of JRA's

AMSTAR+ and UniBoard are on track with spending. ALBiUS and APRICOT are behind. At board meeting ALBiUS and APRICOT should demonstrate at board meeting that money will be spent during the remainder of the project.

Action Mike: e-mail JRA leaders about under spending.

6.1 UniBoard

Several new partners joined (SHAO and UOXF). SHAO paid for 1 UniBoard. The first prototype is expected in May (ASTRON). INAF is producing code, JIVE and ASTRON are working on test firmware. All hardware money was spent, extra money is coming from the partners (through MoU). Face-to-face meeting planned in October.

6.2 AMSTAR+

It take a lot of time to get information from participants. Things are moving along. AMSTAR+ was presented at THz conference, publication will follow.





6.3 ALBiUS

South Africa is listed in the DoW, this is not resulting in a contract with Ian Steward. It is difficult to get involvement from South Africa. In 2009 work was done at JIVE, ESO and ASTRON. All the remaining allocated work can be done within the duration of the project.

6.4 APRICOT

no report

7. Progress on TNA

A telecon was held about real cost user fee reporting. Big partners need to have their access cost audited. André received some complex questions from OSO about this. Hughes Crutzen will be invited to the Sardinia board meeting to give information on TNA real cost.

9. AOB

Mike:

- Phil is resigning as chair from 1 june, need a new chair. Proposal to make Franco chair (currently vice-chair) and search new candidate for vice-chair. Action Mike: send out e-mail to board members for vice-chair candidates.

- Astronet review. RadioNet will have no input on who will be on the panel. Review has to be finished before the end of the year.

Action Mike: contact Michael Bode for slides on astronet review

Huib: During the negotiations NEXPReS was reminded that results should be published in open access sources. Question: Was this also a requirement for RadioNet? Answer: No, but could be in the future.

Michel: Is there a date for the Mid-Term Review? Probably early October, a doodle will be sent out.

Next EC telecon will be planned through doodle.

Action Items:

From meeting	Who	What
EC4	Franco	Write one page proposal on visitor centers (with Corina)
EC5	André	contact Elena about infrastructures after RNet
EC5	Mike	e-mail JRA leaders about underspending
EC5	Mike	e-mail board members about candidates vice-chair
EC5	Mike	Contact Michael Bode for slides on astronet