

Kick-off workshop EUROSTUDENT IV

16-17 February 2009, Museum voor Communicatie, The Hague, Netherlands

DETAILED AGENDA WITH ANNOTATIONS (11/02/2009)

MONDAY, 16 FEBRUARY 2009

9:15	Registration
	Here you will receive a full conference pack with all documents from the conference website and copy of the last EUROSTUDENT report.
	We request that country representatives give us the posters to be hung up for display and the lunch time session.
9:45	Introduction to conference
	Welcome speeches – Statements on the relevance of the social dimension for European higher education from the perspective of key actors in European higher education (7-10 mins. each).
	Chairpersons: Mr. Dominic Orr/ Mr. Lennart Nooij
	 Representative of Dutch Ministry of Education, Culture and Science (MinOCW) - Ms. Ans H.M. Gottenbos
	 Representative of German Federal Ministry of Education and Research (BMBF) – Ms. Petra Jung
	Representative of Council of Europe – Mr. Jean-Philippe Restoueix
	Representative of European Commission – Mr. Richard Deiss
	Representative of European Student Union – Ms. Inge Gielis
	General discussion
11.15	Use of EUROSTUDENT III data: Dissemination of data for national higher education debates and policy initiatives
	Presentations on dissemination initiatives and the reception of EUROSTUDENT data in a national context by representatives of countries which contributed data to EUROSTUDENT III (each 20 mins).
	Chairperson: Ms. Vibeke Opheim
	Germany (Ms. Nicole Rohde – HIS)
	Switzerland (Ms. Valentina de Luigi – BFS)
	France (Mr. Ronan Vourc'h - OVE)
	General discussion
13:15	Lunch buffet and "Market Place": Chance to discuss the poster presentations, exchange of ideas
	In order to provide each country with an opportunity to discuss the organisation of their participation in EUROSTUDENT IV with the coordinators and other participating countries, each country was asked to prepare a poster presentation. These posters will be displayed in a central area, and there will be an opportunity to view and discuss the posters over the extended lunch break.





15:15	General discussion on how to participate in EUROSTUDENT IV: Issues, benefits and next steps	
	Following the presentation and discussion of posters during the lunch break, this session will provide the opportunity for a more general discussion on participation.	
	Chairpersons: Mr. Martin Unger, Mr. Dominic Orr	
	See conference document: "EUROSTUDENT Project Guidelines: Approach, provisions and responsibilities"	
16:00	Coffee break	
16:30	Use of EUROSTUDENT III data: Dissemination of data for international higher education debates and policy initiatives – the example of the Bologna Process	
	Besides the discussion and use of EUROSTUDENT data in national contexts, our data is being referred to in a new report for the Ministerial Summit of Bologna Signatory Countries in April 2009. The publication is officially a co-publication between Eurostat and EUROSTUDENT (as represented by HIS). The background of the report and some of the results will be presented in this session.	
	Chairperson: Ms. Marlies Leegwater (Head of the Secretariat of the Bologna Follow-up Group)	
	Presentation by Eurostat – Mr. Fernando Reis	
17:15	Close of the first day	
19:00 'til 21:00	Light evening reception at conference location, opened by Ms. Ans H.M. Gottenbos	

17:30-18:30 Meeting of members of EUROSTUDENT IV consortium

TUESDAY, 17 FEBRUARY 2009

9:30	Conference start
9:30	Presentation of overall EUROSTUDENT IV strategy and organisation
	The fourth round of EUROSTUDENT is organised as a consortium of 7 country members and 8 individual workpackages which build on one another. Through the consortium the project benefits from different country perspectives and a wide range of competencies. Each of the 7 members of the consortium will make a presentation of their role in EUROSTUDENT IV and the tasks they are responsible for (5 mins. per member).
	Chairperson: Dominic Orr
	 Mr. Christoph Gwosc (HIS), Mr. Deyan Pilev (ЦКОКО), Ms. Vibeke Opheim (NIFU STEP), Mr. Lennart Nooij (MinOCW), Ms. Olga Tšerjomuškina (EÜL), Mr. Martin Unger (IHS)
	See conference document: "General organisational structure of EUROSTUDENT IV"







10:10	Presentation of EUROSTUDENT IV questionnaire (central conventions and definitions) (Workpackage 2)
	The leading members of this workpackage from Bulgaria, Austria and Germany organised an intensive seminar in Vienna (10-11 Dec. 2008) to discuss the review of the core set of questions and the definition of core target groups for EUROSTUDENT IV with interested partners from the EUROSTUDENT Network (host: IHS, Austria). They will present the outcome of their work and the resulting core questionnaire in this session.
	Mr. Deyan Pilev, Mr. Martin Unger, Ms. Andrea Riedel See conference document: "EUROSTUDENT IV Core questionnaire"
10:50	Coffee break
11:05	Presentation of work on improving data delivery for EUROSTUDENT analysis and reporting (Workpackage 4) and insight into central plans to support online data collection (Workpackage 3) Workpackage 4: The internet interface developed for the third round will be further
	developed. Innovations will be to collect the aggregate data for key indicators as absolute numbers instead of percentage values and multi-language reporting. The goals of this workpackage will be presented briefly by the two main staff working currently on this task (20 mins.).
	Mr. Christoph Gwosc, Mr. Viktor Dick
	Workpackage 3: The execution and assessment of project results will be improved if a maximum number of countries use the same method of data collection. In the fourth round of EUROSTUDENT, a particular effort will be made to encourage countries to use online surveys to collate survey data. The aim is to particularly support those countries who have not yet carried out online surveys or who do not have the infrastructure to do this. The goals of this workpackage will be presented briefly by the workpackage leader (10 mins.).
	Mr. Lennart Nooij
11:45	Close of conference
12:15	Lunch
13:15	Presentation and discussion of questions, which have been collected during the conference The formal part of the conference ends at lunch. However, it is our experience that many discussion points arise both out of the presentations and coffee breaks and this last session should give those interested the chance to raise these points. All members of the central coordination team at HIS and members of the 6 other consortium partners are expected to attend this informal session. Chairperson: Mr. Dominic Orr
14:45	Coffee and further discussions





BRIEF INTRODUCTION TO CONFERENCE SPEAKERS

Named in order of appearance

Dr. Dominic Orr	Dr. Orr is Senior Research at HIS, Germany and was Head of the International Coordination Team for EUROSTUDENT III and belongs now to the Central Coordination Team of EUROSTUDENT IV. He has also worked on the topics of steering and governance in German and international higher education.
Mr. Lennart Nooij	Mr. Nooij is Senior Policy Officer at Ministry of Education, Culture and Sciences (MinOCW) of the Netherlands.
Ms. Ans H. M. Gottenbos	Mrs. Gottenbos is the Deputy Director of Higher Education and Student Loans, and Head of Department for Student Loans of the Netherlands.
Ms. Petra Jung	Ms. Jung is Head of the Department for Academic Careers and Academic Continuing Education at the German Federal Ministry of Education and Research. She has previously worked in the areas of vocational education and policy analysis and spent one year working for the European Commission in the section for general and vocational education.
Mr. Jean-Philippe Restoueix	Mr. Restoueix is Administrator of the High Education and Research Division at the Council of Europe (CDESR).
Mr. Richard Deiss	Mr. Deiss works for the Directorate General for Education and Culture at the European Commission, Brussels. He works for the section Analysis and Studies and is amongst others concerned with drawing up the Lisbon Progress Report on Education and Training.
Ms. Inge Gielis	Ms. Gielis works for the Social Affairs Committee of the European Students' Union (ESU), Belgium.
Ms. Nicole Rohde	Ms. Rohde belongs to the Central Coordination Team of EUROSTUDENT IV at the Higher Education Information System (HIS), Germany.
Ms. Valentina de Luigi	Ms. de Luigi works in the section for Education Systems at the Swiss Federal Statistical Office (BFS).
Mr. Ronan Vourc'h	Mr. Vourc'h is Study Engineer for Studies and Research in the National Observatory of Student Life (OVE), France.
Mr. Martin Unger	Mr. Unger is Senior Research at IHS, Austria. He has 15 years of experience with student surveys and has been involved in every previous round of EUROSTUDENT, even in the pilot study 1996. Between 2005 and 2007 he was the Austrian delegate to the Bologna-working group on social dimension and mobility and the sub-group on data collection.



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Dr. Marlies Leegwater	Dr. Leegwater is Head of the Secretariat of the Bologna Follow- up Group. She is temporary on leave from a Seniour post at the Ministry of Education, Culture and Sciences (MinOCW) of the Netherlands, dealing with quality assurance in higher education and the internationalisation of it.
Mr. Fernando Reis	Mr. Reis was Senior Statistician at the National Statistical Institute of Portugal, before he joined Eurostat at the European Commission, Luxembourg.
Mr. Christoph Gwosc	Mr. Gwosc is Senior Research at the Higher Education Information System (HIS), Germany and belongs to the Central Coordination Team of EUROSTUDENT IV.
Mr. Deyan Pilev	Mr. Pilev works at the Center for Control and Assessment of the Quality in Education (ЦКОКО), Bulgaria. He also worked as a Project Coordinator for Bulgaria in EUROSTUDENT III.
Ms. Vibeke Opheim	Ms. Opheim is Head of Research in Students and the Academic Work Force at the Norwegian Institute for Studies in Innovation, Research and Education (NIFU STEP).
Ms. Olga Tšerjomuškina	Ms. Tšerjomuškina is Vice Chair of the Federation of Estonian Student Unions (EÜL), she works for the section Social Policy.
Ms. Andrea Riedel	Ms. Riedel belongs to the Central Coordination Team of EUROSTUDENT IV at the Higher Education Information System (HIS), Germany.
Mr. Victor Dick	Mr. Dick works in the area of Information Systems and Open Source at the Higher Education Information System (HIS), Germany.



