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## 1 Minutes of the 1<sup>st</sup> General Assembly of the DisCo Project

Time: 13:00 -13:30 May 16, 2018.

Place: Halifax Hall, Sheffield (UK)

Attended by representatives from all members of the General Assembly (Beneficiaries of the DisCo project): Lena Z Evins & Petra Christensen (SKB), Lara Duro & Alba Valls (A21), Claire Corkhill (USFD), Emmi Myllykylä (VTT), Ernesto Gonzales-Robles (KIT-INE), Nieves Rodriguez Villagra (Ciemat), Dirk Bosbach (Jülich), Ian Farnan (UCAM), Olivia Roth (Studsvik), Luis Iglesias (CTM), Karel Lemmens (SCK CEN), Christophe Jégou (CEA), David Hambley (NNL), Enzo Curti (PSI), Laurent de Windt (Armines), Detlef Wegen (JRC).

The meeting was chaired by the Coordinator, Lena Z Evins.

The meeting started with going through the agenda: the agenda was accepted. No one indicated any other business needed to be discussed under the point other business.

The Coordinator presented some information regarding the status of the Agreements:

Status of the Consortium Agreement: it is signed by all parties.

Status of Agreements with members of EUG & Associated Group: The AG Agreements have been distributed and they are in the process of being signed. However, we are waiting with sending the agreement to Nugenia since they have not yet provided us with a name for a main contact. As soon as David can get them to assign a contact person, we can send the agreement. The EUG Agreements have been somewhat delayed, partly due to a small typo that needed attention. Petra assured these agreements will be sent out soon after this meeting.

<u>Information regarding Payment plan & Upcoming EC Reporting</u>: The Coordinator is requesting a preliminary reporting, according to what is agreed upon in the Consortium Agreement. It will be the basis to the 2<sup>nd</sup> payment of the prefinancing. The reason for this preliminary reporting is like a practice reporting, checking to make sure we will get what we need when the first reporting period is at an end all partners are doing the right thing during the reporting process as well and to get an idea if the contribution from any partner is deviating from the plan. The deadline for the preliminary reporting is on mid-June, and Petra agreed to send a reminder to all partners about this.

The first reporting period ends 30 November, and therefore, the reporting to be done via the Participant Portal will be done in December and January. It should be noted that it is not only financial reporting but we will also need to submit a Technical progress report for which we need input from partners, and other aspects, such as gender issues.

<u>Regarding deliverables & Milestones</u>: The lists were presented and discussed briefly during the WP1 summary, and no further questions or issues were raised. The first expected publication according to the publication plan (deliverable) is expected in December 2018 and

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would be focused on work done in WP2, sample synthesis and preparation. However, the dates in that document are merely guesses and the milestone connected to the first published paper is one year later.

We are at Milestone 2, 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Meeting and we have also passed the third milestone: First Dissolution tests started. The 4<sup>th</sup> Milestone, all samples prepared (expected 1 September) may be tricky to reach at the time indicated. However, we expected it to be reached later in the autumn.

<u>Further Issues and questions</u> brought to the attention of the General Assembly:

There needs to be a budget transfer from JRC to SKB in order to take care of the travel and accommodation costs of the persons attending the training events at JRC. The numbers were shown on a table and all agreed.

It was also mentioned that the alpha-doped samples that VTT are going to use will be made by SCK CEN, and they require payment of 7000 EUR. The extra cost will be taken care of the SKB and probably Posiva (it has yet to be confirmed) outside of the DisCo budget and therefore no change is required to the budget table.

The plan for annual meetings was discussed by the ExCom earlier and the plan was presented at the GA.

- 2<sup>nd</sup> AM in Cologne in May 2019 (aiming at sometime 20-24/5)
- 3<sup>rd</sup> AM in Karlsruhe in May 2020\* in conjunction with the JRC group training event.
- 4<sup>th</sup> and final conference in March 2021 in Barcelona.

Regarding the Training events there are 3 kinds:

- 1) Webinars, to take place in conjunction with Annual Meetings.
- 2) Inidividual hands-on/in situ training at JRC, up to 4 weeks at a time, two per year. The first opportunity is announced now at the 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Meeting. There will be in total five opportunities: 2 in 2019, 2 in 2020, and one in 2021.
- 3) A group training event at JRC in spring 2020, in conjunction with the 3<sup>rd</sup> annual meeting. There can be max. 10 people attending for max three days.

## Decisions made:

- Budget shift JRC to SKB for Training costs: All partners agree of a transfer of 14846 EUR from the JRC budget to the SKB budget for the purposes of reimbursing individuals attending the JRC training events
- 2) Members of the Coordinator team: All partners agree that the Coordinator team includes Alba Valls, A21.

Finally, it was noted that the next General Assembly will be held in May 2019, in conjunction with the  $2^{nd}$  Annual Meeting in Cologne, Germany.

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