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Participants

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Trond Handberg, VM (NO)
Ilona Asare, Culturelab (LV)

Absent without apologies
Justas Rimavičius, OAM (LT)

Aims and main items of this eight virtual meeting

The key issues are to:

- Clarify status of the final multiplier events (WP 13)
- Clarify the final dissemination activities (WP 17)
- Clarify the final evaluation activities (WP 18)
- Clarify planning of last partner meeting in Lofoten (WP 14)
- Plan next Skype/zoom meetings

Appendices:

Approved minutes from the seventh partner meeting, 9th June 2020
See the agenda and minutes from the Skype meetings here: https://sites.google.com/site/nord-pluscoop/2-work-packages/wp-00---skype-meetings

Minutes

1. Formalities

Hans was appointed as moderator and reporter.
The agenda, v2 of 6.11.2020 was approved.

2. Since last time: Info on matters not included in the items below

2a) How are you – How are we in these unusual times:

We had a short round about the situation in these corona times.

2b) Info about possible new project issues

No new messages from Nordplus to consider.

3. Status of multiplier events (WP 13)

3a) Status of planning, by all partners

The prolonged project period opens for a more flexible scheduling of the final multiplier events and dissemination. We had a round about the plans:

Ilona: Had the event 23 January in Riga at the seminar room of the Latvian National Centre for Culture. There were 65 people - mostly from municipal cultural centres, also from art schools, museums, and NGOs from different regions of Latvia. The title was: CO-CREATION. New methods for the audience development. Ilona thus has completed and reported her multiplier event.
Trond: Primo March he presented the project results at a meeting arranged by Vestvågøy music council that is an umbrella association of choirs, bands, and music groups in Vestvågøy. He had to cancel the presentation of the project results at a municipality council meeting 31st March and at a workshop with leaders in different part of the municipality organization and invited volunteers and associations. the 22nd April. Instead he had presentation about co-creation, the 14th Oct 2020 at a meeting for the presidency ("the government") in Vestvågøy municipality and administrative leaders.

Bente: Had first planned to have the event 1st April in Odense in combination with another Culture Event in her organisation, but it was cancelled due to the corona crisis. Then she had planned to have it at the annual culture conference in her organisation in September 2020, but this event has also jbeen cancelled. She expected to include the co-creation in events in the spring 2021.

Hans: Expects to have more minor virtual network events, properly one 28 Nov 2020 and some more in the spring 2021.

3b) Schedule the tasks

Each partner will inform the partnership when they have news to tell about their multiplier events. The status will also be presented and discussed at the next Skype meeting in February 2021.

4. The Website and other dissemination activities. (WP 16 and WP 17)

4a) Status of website, by Hans

Hans mentioned he had updated the website including the multiplier events done by Culturelab; so, the remaining to update will be the final multiplier events provided by MOF, Interfolk, VM, and OAM

4b) Status of dissemination, by Bente

Bente mentioned all had reported 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th period until June 2020, except OAM for the 3rd and 4th period (and 1st where Justina didn't report) and CL for the 4th period. Ilona mentioned she had sent the report for the 4th period today. Bente will ask Justas to send the 2nd , 3rd and 4th report.

The meeting did not decide specific dissemination activities to be implemented by all. Instead all can be aware of the possibilities and include the Co-Create topics as they find best in their general promotion activities.

4c) Clarify schedule. Who does what and when?

- ASAP: Bente ask Justas to send filled-in dissemination reports for the 3rd and 4th period.
- Medio May 2021: Bente sends template for reporting dissemination during the prolonged year from Aug 2020 to July 2021.
- Primo June 2021 (before the final fourth meeting in Lofoten): Partners send filled-in dissemination report of the final fifth period.
- During the 1-year period: All can include dissemination in their normal promotion activities, as they find suitable.

5. Status of evaluation (WP 18)

5a) Status of progress evaluation, by Ilona

Ilona mentioned there has been no new work packages to evaluate. Ilona proposed a final progress evaluation could be done ultimo May 2021 shortly before the final partner meeting in Lofoten, June 2021. The meeting approved the proposal.

5b) Plans for final impact evaluation, by Ilona

Ilona mentioned the impact evaluation should await the conclusion of the multiplier events. Hans proposed that we skipped a more usual impact evaluation using questionnaires and interviews of a varied group of stakeholders, and merely used an assessment query for the project team, so they as the main stakeholder could assess the outcome of the project in their surroundings. Such a impact template could be filled-in ultimo May 2021 before the final partner meeting in Lofoten, June 2021. The meeting approved the proposal.

5b) Clarify schedule. Who does what and when?

The final progress and impact evaluation must be reported ultimo May 2021 in good time before the final partner meeting, June 2021 in Lofoten.

6. Clarify partner meetings

5a) Time of final meeting in Leknes, May - June 2021? (WP 14), by Trond

Decided to have the final partner meeting in Leknes on Monday – Tuesday, 7 – 8 June 2021, where the partners can arrive Sunday 6 June and leave Wednesday 9 June.

5b) Practical issues about travel and accommodation

Can be discussed at next Zoom meeting in February 2021.

5c) Next Skype meetings?

Decided to have next Zoom meeting, Tuesday 9th of February 2021; 13 – 14 CET (14 – 15 Baltic time).

7. Concluding evaluation round

7a) Oral evaluation round of this Skype meeting

Bente: Nice to see each other again; good to be contact during the whole project period.

Ilona: Yes, nice to see each other again. Hoped she would be able to come to Lofoten, even though she already have bought the flight ticket at SAS for the cancelled meeting in June 2020; and she has still not got the costs of the cancelled flight refunded. Hans mentioned that it in principle is a shared cost

for the project, so the partnership should share possible extra travel costs for Ilona, if she couldn't get the tickets refunded.

Trond: Good to see each other; and due to the current Covid19 situation, it is also necessary to use virtual meetings.

Hans: Glad that the zoom app seems to work better with less technically problems than out former Skype contact form.

8. A.O.B. (any other business)

The meeting had as short discussion about possible new projects / follow-up activities to this Nordplus project.

Ilona mentioned that she has got support from the Nordic Culture Point's network programme, where the topic is community arts and the involved partners are Culturelab (LV), Tartu association in the field of creative industries (EE), and Swedish creative organisation from the Kalmar region (SE). In the next period it may be possible to enlarge the group of partners.

Trond mention that he has no specific project ideas now; and if so, he also needed to get green light for new projects from the municipality; but he was interested to continue to be engaged in international cooperation.

Bente told she now did not have clarified coming project plans, but she was in principle open for and interested in continuing to be engaged in Nordic-Baltic project activities.

Hans also mentioned that he did not have clarified specific project plans for the next year, but the deadline for Nordplus application is already 1st of February 2021, so possible decisions cannot be postponed many weeks ahead.