

Minutes from Value Isobar's consortium meeting in Tübingen January 13th and 14th 2011

Present: *David Townend, Sigrid Skavlid, Maria Inês Gameiro, Maria-Eduarda Goncalves, Stefan Grünert, Hans-Peter Tscherru, Simon Meisch, Thomas Potthast, Nicole Kronberger, Stavroula Tsirogianni, Silje Aambø Langvatn, Laurens Landeweerd, Matthias Kaiser and two additional people from Tübingen: Roman Beck, Patrizia Prestifilippo.*

Minutes: Laurens Landeweerd, Silje Aambø Langvatn and Hans Peter Tcheru.

THURSDAY JANUARY 13TH

Matthias Kaiser chairs the day.

9.00: *Opening of the day*

Thomas opens the meeting and introduces two members of Tübingen University.

9.15: *Board meeting* Update on the WPs.

- The Bergen group: Vibeke Almaas has left the project and Silje Langvatn has taken over her position as researcher. Torunn Ellefsen is currently on a sick-leave after a car accident.

- The Vienna group: Birgitte Geschmeidler is currently on leave, but will be back in June.

- The London group: Nicole Kronberger has moved from London and to Austria, but will continue in the project. Some formal details about her position still need to be clarified.

Board meeting closed

9.30: *Management*

The reporting procedures will be changed: We will put our reports and deliverables on the website, rather than the official reporting system. It is decided all partners will have at least one of the involved researchers get an overview of finances. All agree to disclose such information to the other partners in Value Isobars upon request.

It is decided that the next consortium meeting is to take place on the 23rd and 24th of June in Bergen. There will be another meeting in Hamburg at the Altonaer Stiftung between now and June. April/May seem to be the best option. We will set up a doodle to find a date for this meeting.

10.15: *WP6: Presentation and discussion of the results from Mallorca-meeting*

Matthias gives an account of the two informal documents that came out of the meeting in Palma (day 1 on governance; day 2 on maps).

Silje gives an account of the suggested second communication to the end-users that Matthias and she prepared.

11.30: *Coffee*

11.45: *Discussion: A value based governance of S&T in the EU*

We continue the discussion on the ideas about value based governance that came out of the Mallorca meeting.

13.30: *Lunch*

14.30: *WP7: Second communication to targeted end users*

All participants have read the suggested second communication to the end-users and give their comments on the proposal. It is agreed that all will provide written comments on the current version of the end-user document and send them to Silje within the 24th of January.

15.45: *Museum Schloß Hohentübingen: Guided tour to Aurignacian Artwork*

17.00: *Action points from Lisbon/Mallorca – any loose ends?*

This discussion is moved to the 14th.

17.05: *WP7: Website*

Sigrid gives an update on the Value Isobars' website, and we have a discussion about what can be improved. We agree that the reference list needs to be improved, and discuss the possibility for end-users to provide online comments instead of answering to the 2nd communication through email. The idea of having an open Facebook page is also discussed.

17.15: *Miscellaneous:*

We discuss the project's synergy with the project Technolife and whether we should arrange an end conference together.

17.15: *Closing of the meeting*

Matthias closes the meeting.

18.15: *Optional attendance at a lecture by Rudolf Schüssler on Climate Justice*

20.00: *Dinner*

FRIDAY JANUARI 14TH

Thomas is chair of the day

Andreas Wolkenstein and Heidi Wittmer from the IZEW security ethics group are introduced.

9.00: *WP5, value dilemmas in two technologies*

Laurens gives a short overview of the two case areas and their examples. Discussion follows.

10.30: *Meeting with the EKUT-IZEW working group on security ethics*
Andreas Wolkenstein presents the EKUT-IZEW group's work.
Discussion follows on the role of ethics in S&T.

12.00: *Lunch*

13:00 – 14:00 *WP1: Conceptual analysis of values, norms, preferences and attitudes*
Simon Meisch presents the WPs latest work on preference-based conception of values, and discuss the advantages and disadvantages of this approach.
Discussion follows.

14:00 – 15:00 *WP2: Comparison of methodological approaches to value studies*
Stavroula presents the group's new findings after they have rerun the literature search on values and S&T.

15:00 – 15:15 Short break

15:15 – 16:15 *WP4: A critical discussion of soft law in a governance perspective*

Ines presents the group's preliminary thoughts for the next deliverable. Discussion follows.

16:15 – 17:15 *WP3: Protocol for participative method exercise*

Presentation by Hans Peter with the title: Exploring Value dialogue's potential for policy assessment and its role in the governance process. Discussion follows.

17:15 – 17:30 *New action points from Tübingen?*

We agree on the following action points:

- We have set a date for the next consortium meeting in Bergen on the 23-24th of June.
- WP 2 must hand in their financial report and all the WPs should take steps to make it possible to share their financial reports with the other partners.
- It is agreed that all will provide for concise comments on the current version of the end-user document by the end of next week (24/01)
- WP1 and WP2 would like to receive comments on their draft- deliverables which will be circulated soon.
- The consortium should contact Silje to suggest headings for the article they sent her prior to Mallorca, articles which will enter into the reference list of the project.
- Sigrid will make a doodle group to find a date for the next synthesis meeting in May.
- The website will be updated according to the input discussed in this meeting
- Matthias will talk with the coordinator(s) of techno-life regarding the end conference, and he will send out information regarding the techno-life project

- There is a Techno-life Consortium-meeting February in Barcelona, all partners will be informed by Bergen about the dates and people might be participating
- We should think about specific publication-possibilities and come back to this at the next meeting with due time for discussion.