



Subject | Minutes of the Third Management Committee Meeting of COST Action CM1404 “Chemistry of Smart Energy Carriers and Technologies (SMARTCATS)”

*Lisbon, Portugal
15/11/2016*

1. Welcome to participants

The participants were welcome by Dr. de Joannon, MC Chair, Dr. Skevis, MC Vice Chair, by Dr. Napolitano GH Manger of the Action and by Mr. Scognamiglio GH Financial Representative of the Action. Dr. Mara de Joannon chairs the meeting.

2. Adoption of the agenda

The agenda (**Annex 1**) for the 3rd Management Committee (MC) meeting is adopted.

3. Establishment of the Quorum

The quorum is reached: 21 country representatives out of 25 Action country members attended the meeting.

4. Updates from the Action Chair

Status of the COST Action

The Chair informs the MC on the Action participating countries and on the increase of Inclusiveness Target Countries.

5. Follow-up of MoU objectives.

Activities of the 1st Grant Period

The Chair illustrates the activities carried out during the first Grant Period (1st General meeting and workshop on SECs in SME, WG4 workshop, STSM, Dissemination)

Prof. Edward Blurock (SE) informs the MC about the event in Naples on 4-6/04/2016. He illustrates the importance of the event on WG4 and the efficacy of the results in terms of collaborations.

Progress of 2nd year Action activities

The Chair illustrates the progress of the activities foreseen in the 2nd year Work and Budget. She summarizes the information about the 2nd General Meeting and Workshop and the related dissemination activity programmed for the Action.

Prof. Turanyi (HU) informed the MC about the training school held in Budapest on 04-07/07/2016. He explained the situation about the organization, the costs and the program (Poster section and lectures) of the training school (**Annex 2**).



Outlook 3rd year Activities

On the base of the MoU timetable, the Chair recalls the activities planned for the 3rd year (a training school, an international conference and the related workshop as well as the STSM program).

The Chair proposes to postpone the international conference to the 4th Grant Period and to have a 3rd General Meeting and Workshop on SME during the 3rd Grant Period.

As in the past, the support for participation to the Action activities on request will be the followed procedure.

The MC approves

The Chair informs the MC that Stefan Voss (German MC member) is candidate for organizing the training school on WG3 at Freiberg whereas Dr. Vavra and Prof. Zelinger (Czech Republic MC members) are candidates for organizing the 3rd General Meeting and Workshop on October at J. Heyrovsky Institute of Physical Chemistry or at Czech Technical University in Prague. The STSM program will be organize as usual.

Prof. Parente illustrates the possibility to organize an event on WG5 on “New fuels and decarbonisation” in Bruxelles.

The MC approves the location of the training school and of the meetings.

6. Discussion

Dr. Skevis suggests to establish collaboration between the Action and other coordinate groups to increase the visibility of the Action and foresee the constitution of an association after the end of the Action.

Prof. Van Geem focalizes the discussion on the relevance of enterprise participation to give importance to the University and to create a consortium.

Dr. Skevis suggests to increase the number of participant countries within the end of the year.

Then, Prof. Le Picard moved the point of the discussion on the possibility to connect the topics of the combustion research with that of the Astrophysics because of the many common objectives.

7. Closing

The MC Chair thanks all the attending MC members and closes the meeting.

List of Annexes

Annex 1 - Agenda

Annex 2 - MC Chair presentation

Annex 3 – Prof. Turanyi presentation

Annex 4 - Attendance list