

# National Networks Meeting 1/2011

Granada, 25 May 2011

17:00 – 18:30

University of Granada (ES)

## Minutes

### In general

- The NatNet's Structure depends on the size of the NatNet (FR, UK, DE similar but different to smaller countries)
- A template is hard to establish
- Projects which need formal NatNets are not possible for smaller informal NatNets and even the formal NatNets are not very flexible

### Report about the Status of the National Networks

- French Network is an institutional network: only the President can sign contracts and delegate work, it is a very formal NatNet, Language problem: only French speaking people, the French and the Belgian French speaking NatNets will meet in two weeks. Aim: To gain more members from these NatNets for EUCEN and to be more active.
- Belgian French speaking network is part of an official body (Ministry → see law) "LLL in the University" Recommendation for Rectors and Ministry (9 Members, 2 Persons per University nominated), 1 meeting per month
- The Spanish NatNet is an association with more than 60 universities, it is formally established and has each year a big conference, the Ministry and Rector's Conference ask them for consulting
- Estonia has an informal NatNet, it is very small, 6 Universities since 2001, the visibility is important for Project Application (ESF-money)
- UK is a very formal NatNet with a full time secretary, fees are the double of EUCEN, it has sub-groups, sends monthly a Newsletter (50 pages).
- The Portuguese NatNet is formal but without fees
- The Italian NatNet is to be built soon and should be set up until Geneva with a proposal for a statute

### Next Steps

Next Meeting during the EUCEN Conference in Genoa on 16<sup>th</sup> November 2011.

Establish a Mailinglist for the National Networks for communication.

Establish a space on the EUCEN website for the cooperation of the National Networks.

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