

# **Agenda for KBS Coordinating Committee meeting Chiang Mai 2018**

Sunday, 27 May 2018

4 – 7pm hours

**Present:** Sally Casswell, Thomas Babor, Anne-Marie Laslett, Justyna Klingemann, Guilherme Borges, John Holmes, Neo Morojele, Gerhard Gmel, Orratai Waleewong, Robin Room, Sandra Kuntsche (protocol)

**Excused:** Jonas Landberg, Jenny Cisneros, William Pridemore, Elin Bye (treasurer)

**Guests:** Emmanuel Kuntsche, Ninette van Hasselt, Koen Smit, Carmen Voogt

**Location:** Pre-Conference Room (lobby area of Empress Convention centre)

## **1. Welcome (16.00 hours)**

Introduction round, SC welcomes all participants

## **2. Approval of agenda 2018**

Approved by (Gerhard), seconded (Anne-Marie)

## **3. Approval of Co-Com meeting minutes 2017**

Approved by (Gerhard), seconded (Anne-Marie)

## **4. Chiang Mai symposium report (Professor Sawitri and colleagues)**

228 number of participant attending, 38 financial request, some withdraws, 36 countries attending the conference, 175 registered presentations, 144 articles submitted, 35 travel support (detailed report will be send to the committee). The organisers appreciated the international support in preparing the website and the program. Some last minute replacements for chairs and discussants were realized with the help of the CoCom. CoCom thanks the Organizers and they are released.

## **5. Future Symposia: Utrecht, The Netherlands 2019 (Ninette van Hasselt, Carmen Voogt, Emmanuel Kuntsche)**

Travel and hotel details are given. Registration fees and budget are presented. It was suggested to have the deadline for support and abstract submission on the same date. Social tour options and the costs for the social dinner are presented. The latter were discussed as they repeatedly presented problems for those on limited budget. Suggestion was made to exclude the cost for alcohol from the dinner fee and offer a separate bar to reduce the costs. Other possibilities to subsidise the dinner fees are discussed, too and future organizers are encouraged to keep the dinner affordable. A presentation will be given at the business meeting and the organizers are thanked and released.

## **6. Discussion of future symposia**

SC sent an email to the membership to find candidates for 2020 and 2021 and Helsinki expressed interest (Pia Mäkelä) and will present their candidature at the Business meeting. Poland is another possible candidate but needs to confirm with SC during the week. Last years it was agreed that decisions for hosting the annual meetings should ideally be made 3 years prior the meeting. The voting options (Business meeting or electronically) are discussed within the CoCom. Some doubts were raised on the usefulness of an electronic vote as it may result in lower attendance rates for the business meeting and eliminates the possibility to discuss venues. Decision will be postponed to next year's business meeting. It was further decided to approach possible hosts for upcoming meetings and ask for candidates at the business meeting.

## **7. Thematic meetings (planned)**

- a. A combined meeting with ISSDP, SC had a follow up with colleagues at ISSDP and they are still interested
- b. Drinking culture (RR and John Holmes express interest to collaborate)
- c. Alcohol and international law (RR provided a handout), joined meeting of KBS with international law field. Funding possibility from VicHealth, La Trobe and in kind, budget of 20,-25,000. CoCom expressed support for such a meeting.
- d. Possibility to host a thematic meeting in Thailand (OW)
- e. Decline in youth drinking: interest based on the workshop held earlier to host a thematic meeting (JH)

## **8. Workshops at 2018 Symposium**

- *GENACIS, GENAHTO Project meeting (Saturday – Sunday)*
- *International Alcohol Control Study (IAC) site meeting (Saturday – Sunday)*
- *IGSAHO Workshop (Monday)*
- *The Decline in Youth Drinking - Towards an International Research Agenda (Tuesday)*

## **9. Treasurers report (Elin Bye)**

SC gives the budget provided by Elin previously. No further questions.

## **10. Approval of new members**

21 new member applications, all accepted.

## **11. O-J Skog award committee (Annie Britton)**

22 submissions, more than usually and it was a very close decision. Annie is not attending the meeting and the prize will be presented by another member of the committee.

### **12. KBS-IJADR relationship**

SK gives a short presentation of the current status. Possibilities are discussed how to strengthen the link between KBS and the journal. Suggestion to offer publication of a KBS manuscript based on the review from the discussant and a corresponding revision by the authors. But most manuscripts are not yet ready for publication at time of presentation. Possibility to go back to the discussant as reviewer to facilitate the review process. Another suggestion is publishing a special issue with the abstracts from the annual meeting or to create a space for argumentative material (even a block related to it). CoCom is happy with the journal and will further consider how to support it.

### **13. ICARA membership**

SC representation was asked from Kerstin Stenius. Tom Babor is representing KBS. He will be asked for a report.

### **14. Conference Programme and Mentoring (John Holmes)**

Report was send prior the meeting.

Growing size of the conference: option with the best support was the introduction of a voluntary poster presentation and efforts to make an actual poster session. Discussed when poster session will take place and what the minimal number of posters is to make these sessions efficient. Lunch time or coffee breaks were suggested as possible time slots and having a chair guiding the poster session. Another suggestion are shorter presentation formats but it was acknowledged that this will somewhat break with KBS tradition. The suggestions will be given to upcoming organizers. A possible poster session should not replace one of the existing time slots for oral presentations.

Desire for mentoring for ECR, career development: Report to the organizers of the ECR meeting that the CoCom is supportive of having these events but will not be proactive in organizing them. However, members of the committee are happy to respond to question or facilitate the organisation. Upcoming organizers will be made aware of the workshop and possible room requirements.

### **15. Nominations committee**

Four outgoing CoCom members and candidates for president elect and vice president. Committee consists of SC, NM, JH, OW, Kate Graham. The committee will contact candidates throughout the week and report at the business meeting. Election will take place later in the year.

### **16. Website and Social Media (WSM) Working Group**

FL provides the background. CoCom was informed that the Twitter account #kbs2018 is used by a beer brand. For upcoming meetings participants and organisers are encouraged to tweet on the KBS Twitter account (see conference handbook) as this is a good way to increase visibility for the conference.

**17. Co-Com Scholarship Subcommittee (Justyna Klingermann, Jonas Landberg, Orratai Walewong, Anne-Marie Laslett)**

Report was sent to the committee prior meeting. Reviewed according to the procedure developed two years ago and will be revised after the conference based on the experience made. Report will be given at the business meeting.

**18. Webmaster report (Florian Labhart)**

FL gave a report on visits and update. Credit card system was included in the website and works well.

**19. By Law Amendment: Conflict of interest: transparency (Sally Casswell)**

The vote was initiated on 23 February 2018 and closed on 26 March 2018 resulted in 86 votes (a response rate of 66%). All amendments were accepted. The adjustments of the bylaws read as follows:

*Under the heading Membership and Conditions of Membership*

8. All regular and affiliate members are required to complete, and update upon membership renewal, a declaration of conflict of interest with respect to the alcohol industry, in the standard KBS format.

*Under a new heading KBS Events (to follow membership section)*

Individuals presenting at KBS events are required to complete a declaration of conflict of interest with respect to the alcohol industry, in the standard KBS format, to be included with the abstract and in the presentation. In addition a declaration must be made of any involvement of an alcohol industry-linked body in the design or conduct of research presented.

*Under the heading Coordinating Committee (#10, after first paragraph)*

Candidates are required to complete a declaration of conflict of interest with respect to the alcohol industry, in the standard KBS format to be included with candidate information for members.

**20. By-law amendment: venue for conference voting**

Discussed earlier and postponed to next year.

**21. Various: Missing time slot for workshop meeting on Tuesday afternoon**

RR suggested to reintroduce the workshop session on Tuesday last session. Possibilities are discussed. Collision with the football game. SC suggests to future organizers to keep the workshop section and find another two-hour slot for the football.

**22. Thank you and farewell (19.00)**

SC thanks all CoCom members and guest for their time and input. Meeting closed at 7pm