



## **9<sup>th</sup> ICoSCIS MEETING -MINUTES**

<b>Project Name</b>	“Interregional Cooperation at Scientific Computing in Interdisciplinary Science” (ICoSCIS)		
<b>Programme</b>	European Territorial Cooperation Programme “Greece-Bulgaria 2007-2013”		
<b>Date of Meeting</b>	24.01.2014	<b>Location:</b>	Aristotle University of Thessaloniki, Physics Department, Thessaloniki, Greece

The meeting has been organized in the 24<sup>th</sup>, in the premises of AUTH. The meeting was opened by Prof. Panos Argyrakis (project Coordinator) with a general overview of the meeting’s agenda.

### **1. Goals and results of project ICoSCIS**

The first topic discussed in the meeting concerned a comparison of the goals that had been set in the early beginning of the project with the actual results and a justification for them. Dr. Michael Maragakis mentioned the important role that the infrastructure bought by the project can have, even after its end. This infrastructure, along with the courses prepared and delivered as new knowledge to the scientists there, will be the main pillars for a long term collaboration. The speaker thanked all of the lecturers who prepared and held the courses and seminars to Blagoevgrad. Particular mention was focused on the fact that we managed to exceed the expected participation by more than 150% (210 instead of 80), achieved a participation of 47% instead of 30%, held 17 courses instead of 12 and created 5 collaboration networks instead of 3.

Closing his talk, Dr. Maragakis mentioned that the total success of the project is verified by the characterisation as a "good practice" project by the Programme's managing committee.

### **2. AUTH’s epilogue in leading ICoSCIS**



A short talk accompanied by a presentation was given by each partner of the project. Prof. Panos Argyrakis presented what this specific project has resulted to for the Aristotle university of Thessaloniki. He gave particular attention to the department of physics and what the gain was for all Lead Partner's team members. Finally prof. Argyrakis, who has an experience of over 70 European and Greek national projects, emphasized on the success of this project and mentioned AUTH's willingness for the creation of a new one that would make use of all the outputs of this one which is about to end.

### **3. SWU "Neofit Rilski" ICOSCIS challenges and perspectives**

Assist. Prof. Anton Stoilov presented the benefits that both academicians and students earned from the project on SWU. High participation, many disciplines and variety of level of studies are the key points that ensured the success of the project according to the speaker. Assist. prof. Stoilov also mentioned the added value that his university gained by this project. The University has started the use of the new infrastructure in many disciplines and also provided with high class know-how their students. Closing his presentation the speaker thanked all project partners for their excellent collaboration throughout these two years.

### **4. UoM: a flashback in the last 2 years**

A presentation was given by Dr. Michael Maragakis from the team of University of Macedonia. The speaker also mentioned all the benefits and added value he and his team gained by the project. Specifically, UoM had the opportunity to implement in the form of a structured course, educational material already offered to the team members planning to proceed to doctoral studies.

### **5. contribution to, and benefits from, the ICoSCIS project**

The AUBG team represented by prof. John Galletly was the final partner that presented the benefits that the participation to this project gave to them. He also mentioned the contribution of his team to the entire success of the project while he didn't forget to identify each partner's contribution. He also mentioned the opportunities for future collaboration between all partners.

### **6. Financial status of the project – expectations of the last month**



The project's manager Dr. Michael Maragakis gave a short talk about everything that remains to be set in order to close all financial issues of the project for both countries. Verification issues, transfer of payments and control issues were discussed.

## **7. Reporting duties of each partner**

Given that there is only one month left in the project, there are not a lot of things that have to be done. The project's manager, Dr. Maragakis, asked all partners and especially the ones coming from Bulgaria to settle and finalize all financial issues concerning the project. Finally, a closing report, sent on time, on overall as well as quarterly expenses was asked from all partners.

## **8. Discussion on future collaborations**

As mentioned earlier, all project partners expressed the will to continue what has started already by this specific project. Everyone in the consortium recognized the possibility for a strong collaboration scheme which can be established between the two countries in the future.

## **9. AOB (any other business)**

There were no specific issues that were discussed in this topic.

## **10. Presentation by the project officer (D. Papathanassiou)**

At the end of the meeting, a short talk was given by the project's officer D. Papathanassiou. He made clear that all partners should hurry to conclude with any financial issues that were still open, should any exist. He also expressed the importance of the future existence of this consortium, by using the tools, methods and infrastructures obtained by the project. Mr. Papathanassiou didn't forget to congratulate all partners and especially the project manager, Dr. Maragakis, for the excellent organization of the entire project, giving special attention to the overachievement of the expected results.

The project meeting was closed by Prof. Panos Argyrakis.



## **9th Meeting for ICoSCIS project Thessaloniki, Greece Meeting Program**

### **24 January 2014**

10:30 – 10:45: Arrival of participants

10:45 – 11:00: Goals and results of project ICoSCIS

11:00 – 11:30: AUTH's epilogue in leading ICoSCIS

11:30 – 12:00: SWU "Neofit Rilski" ICOSGIS challenges and perspectives

12:00 – 12:30: UoM: a flashback in the last 2 years

12:30 – 13:00: AUBG's contribution to, and benefits from, the ICoSCIS project

Break

14:00 – 14:30: Financial status of the project – expectations of the last month

14:30 – 15:00: Reporting duties of each partner

15:00 – 15:30: Discussion on future collaborations

15:30 – 16:00: AOB (any other business)

16:00 – 16:30: Presentation by the project officer (D. Papathanassiou)

16:30: End of Meeting



### Cumulative list of Participants:

	Name	Organisation
1.	John Galletly	AUBG
2.	Stoyan Bonev	AUBG
3.	Dimitar Christozov	AUBG
4.	Volin Karagiozov	AUBG
5.	Mikropoulou Christina	UoM
6.	Catherine Kyrtsov	UoM
7.	Dimitrios Papathanasiou	JTS GR-BG
8.	Anton Stoilov	SWU
9.	Radoslav Mavrevski	SWU
10.	Ivan Mirchev	SWU
11.	Ivan Trenchev	SWU
12.	Panos Argyrakis	AUTH
13.	Michael Maragakis	UoM
14.	Nikolaos Bastas	AUTH
15.	Paraskevas Giazitzidis	AUTH
16.	Peter Milanov	SWU
17.	Ivan Todorin	SWU

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These minutes have been approved by all partners after sufficient deliberations and are signed by the Scientific Coordinator, Prof. Panos Argyrakis of AUTH.

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