

# MBM #18 Minutes 19/11/2021 9:30 CEST

## 1°) Hot topics 2021

- **Mutadis proposal "how to go ahead with PEP".**  
The **contract was signed** and the first **payement done**. The question of adapting and using the PEP in the frame of national public debates was raised. In fact, the SITEX.Network would like to **manage a numerical platform** and to be able to **disseminate the tool** across countries which implies the need for translation (it could be done by the members). Therefore, the **members of the SITEX.Network should be asked in the 2<sup>nd</sup> session of the General Assembly** about what their needs are regarding the PEP and its development, so that Mutadis could take them into account in the on-going contract on the strategic deployment of the PEP for a SITEX.Network label. A **provisional budget** could be foreseen in that perspective for 2022 for the implementation of this strategy.
- **Preparation GA 2021 and Topical day 2021 - Confirmation and organization.**  
Due to the Covid situation, the GA will be fully organized **online on the 1<sup>st</sup> of December and 2<sup>nd</sup> of December afternoons**. A third session on January 21<sup>st</sup> will be proposed to the members to elaborate and adopt the 2022 program and associated budget
- **EURAD SRA - update and feedbacks.**  
PREDIS will see what to provide for pre-disposal activities; the **current planning** for the SRA will be sent (**Valery**). **Position paper** from the TSO' side on the changes or inclusions needed in the SRA for EURAD (**deadline July, it is needed to work on it early next year**). The **topical day** on SRA next year should be on this; it could be in

March (a Doodle will be sent to the members for this update of the SITEX.Network EURAD SRA).

- **EURAD news; composition of the Bureau**  
**Christophe Debayle (IRSN) agreed** to be in the Bureau and there could be a **candidate from Greece** in the person of Loannis from the EEAE.
- **EURAD PMO -**  
**is currently programming the 2022 lunch & learn sessions and offers all its colleges to present some of their activities. What about our activity related to Deep Borehole and on the review benchmark? Other?**  
It will last **one hour from 1pm to 2pm** aiming to describe the activity of a specific college. SITEX did an overview of its purpose. There could be **two L&L sessions** by the SITEX.Network **in 2022**, one on **Deep borehole** and one on **Benchmark**. It could be a good opportunity for the SITEX.Network promoting those sessions on its webpage with some links. The next dates for those L&L sessions could be 23<sup>rd</sup> of February, 30<sup>th</sup> of March, 27<sup>th</sup> of April (not possible for Nadja) and 25<sup>th</sup> of May (possible for Nadja). **Nadja and Frederic will confirm on the topics.**  
**is forming the end-users group. Would be good to propose organization of TSOs or similar including Authorities (CNSC is already listed or GBAS, JAEA (Japan), CNWRA (US); our national authorities, others).**  
Until next MBM it will be considered what end-users could be included by **sending an email to all the members** of SITEX for them to act at their national levels, in particular to their regulatory bodies. This could be included in the **agenda of the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of the GA** after EURAD's topic (**Valery**); **Frederic (FANC)** accepted to consider it on its side as well as **Jitka (SURO)**. The possibility to include the **Civil Society** was also envisaged.

- **EURADWASTE'22 & the SITEX.Network:**  
request for a keynote lecture 30mn (as IGD-TP et JRC),  
the SITEX.Network's keynote would introduce the  
session « Strategic Research in Radioactive Waste  
Management » where the EURAD WP « Strategic  
Studies » will be presented.

**Valery accepted to take in charge this keynote**

Seifallah Ben Hadj Hassine, the new EC project officer for EURAD, asked SITEX for a second task in view of the EURADWASTE'22: 2 experts for reviewing the abstracts and papers, their tasks being provided below.

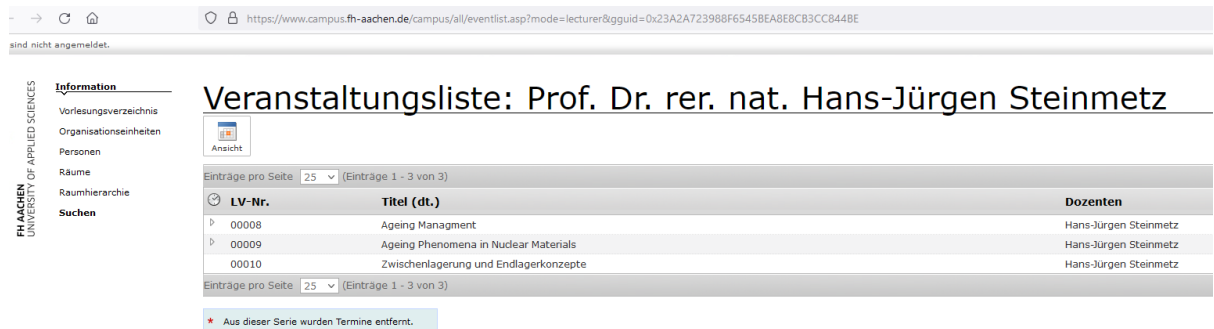
Expert reviewers' tasks will include the following:

- To review all presentations (abstracts, key notes, PPTs, posters, estimated at 25 max. per Expert reviewer) and peer-reviewed papers (estimated at 10 max. per Expert reviewer) relevant to the session.
- To prepare a session (estimated at 1 max. per Expert reviewer) prior to the conference in collaboration with Commission and French Presidency representatives. This would mainly consist of, wherever applicable, reviewing abstracts, key notes, PPTs, posters and presentations of the speakers.
- To draft a session report (estimated at 1 max. per Expert reviewer) during the conference to which they will participate, in contribution to the report drafted by the general rapporteur

- To draft a workshop report (to be confirmed) after the conference.
  - In addition, they should be available between November 2021 and October 2022 until Euratom Conferences' publications are finalized. »  
**Wilfried and Nadja** accepted to help on it.
- **The SITEX.Network' SRA on social sciences and citizen sciences – update on the extended feedbacks period.**  
The **feedbacks period is finished** but **Delphine's confirmation** is still needed (it is needed to include the topic of the **publication on the website in the communication part of the GA** as well as the question of the **publication of other reports** such as the one on Deep Borehole).
  - **The SITEX.Network's benchmark on reviewing approaches - report should have been finalized in the end of September. Muriel will give more details on the difference in approaches and on her action.**  
It can be **considered finalized, but Frederic will still have to go through it again** before publication (it will be considered in the GA in the communication part).  
It should be asked **in the GA** if, and how, this work on Benchmark is continued **next year** (it was reported a discussion on the **exclusion of monitoring and retrievability** from the Benchmark; those topics could therefore be reserved for the Topical Day – another interesting could be Security Safety and Safeguard for Geological disposal feed – generally only one S is addressed-).

## 2°) Organizational issues

- **Candidates list with tasks elsewhere – update**  
Postponed.
- **New members – update**  
**Hans-Juergen Steinmetz** from the FH Aachen university told Frederic Bernier he could be interested in joining SITEX. Info:



Veranstaltungsliste: Prof. Dr. rer. nat. Hans-Jürgen Steinmetz

LV-Nr.	Titel (dt.)	Dozenten
00008	Ageing Managment	Hans-Jürgen Steinmetz
00009	Ageing Phenomena in Nuclear Materials	Hans-Jürgen Steinmetz
00010	Zwischenlagerung und Endlagerkonzepte	Hans-Jürgen Steinmetz

**ASN (French safety regulatory authority) asked about the SITEX.Network and Delphine will present them an overview on Dec. 6<sup>th</sup>; both will be invited to SITEX.Network GA on Dec. 2<sup>nd</sup> for the presentations on activities**

- **New leaflet or other PR material – update on activities visible on webpage (disclaimer on reports release such as SRA) cf. Malcolm.**  
Postponed.
- **Other**  
Christophe Serres (IRSN, presently for a 2y position at IAEA) will try to support to the **IAEA for the recognition of the SITEX Network (cf. Frederic).**

## 3°) Year 2021/22 calendar

- **IGD-TP Symposium and Webinar 11-13 January 2022 - paper on the SITEX.Network position on optimization to enhance the work performed in SITEX II.**  
**Add some inputs about optimization in its ICRP**

meaning - update - on hold for presentation only  
deadline mid-October 2021.

**Frederic** shared it already (**confirmation needed**), his poster could be shared on SITEX's webpage after the event. The paper should anyway be available on the IAEA's website soon; it will then be useful to use it on the SITEX.Network's webpage.

#### 4°) Finances

- News:
  - **fee payed and account status**  
Postponed.
  - **for what we would like to spend some moneys?**  
Postponed

#### 5°) Varia

- Next MBM:  
**15<sup>th</sup> December** from 9am to 11am (**Malcolm will send the invitation**).
- Topical Day (financial support / invitation) – cf.Valery.  
Postponed.