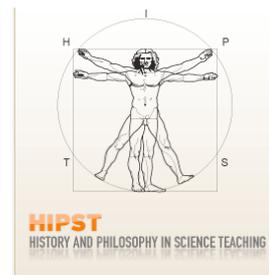


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MID-TERM MEETING OF THE HIPST-PROJECT IN BUDAPEST

Dear all,

it is our pleasure to invite you all to our second international project meeting in Budapest, February 27.-28. 2009.

Our mid-term meeting serves as a platform for the partners to inform each other about the status of work and preliminary results of our project.

We will share our knowledge and experiences and exchange ideas and intentions developed during the first year of HIPST. We will inform each other about the work on developing new and collecting existing materials, about the development and advancement of teaching techniques in practice and the collaboration projects of researchers, science teachers and museums staff. The outcomes will be documented and structured.

Structuring plans for further transformation and dissemination processes will be revised critically by the project partners themselves, and additionally by the Advisory Board. The plans will be adapted to the current situation, as the partners decide which case studies have to be developed in the following time.

Labour which has to be done in the subsequent evaluation phase will be distributed among the participants with respect to their knowledge, skills and resources.

The partners will agree on guidelines, which coordinate and harmonise the national and transnational development and research. All these processes will be critically supervised and commented by our Advisory Board.

Best regards and safe trip

Gabor and Dietmar

Attachments for your preparation:

- Information about participation, location, accommodation
- Program of the meeting
- National working plans of HIPST-partners
- Minutes of first national meetings
- First Advisory Committee Report
- First Meeting Report of the Steering Committee
- Theoretical Framework of HIPST
- Quality Standards of HIPST

Participation

In order to make all organizational procedures running as smoothly as possible, we would like to know the exact number of participants of your group. Therefore, each participant is kindly asked for an informal registration. Please, send an e-mail to Gabor (zemplen@filozofia.bme.hu) until February, 6th 2009 in order to announce your participation or cancellation.

Location of the meeting

Depending on the number of participants we will either have the meeting in the nearby “Five Seasons” guesthouse of the university or in a university room. This will be decided later and participants will be informed timely in a later letter.

Accommodation

We have booked nearly all rooms in the “Five Season Guest House” preliminary. The homepage of the Guest House is: <http://www.otevszak.hu/en/index.html> - for the rooms see <http://www.otevszak.hu/hotel/angol/indexed.php> . The Guest House has a conference room, is very close to the University and is a decent place. They offer a 45 Euro/night price for the HIPST group. Although we booked the rooms preliminary, please **organize the payment and final booking individually**: info@otevszak.hu (please refer to the HIPST conference and Gábor Zemplén when making the booking to get the discount rate).

For those who do not manage to get a room there due to lack of space or are looking for a place more exciting, the Hotel Gellért is a close-by hotel with a great history and great baths inside: <http://www.danubiushotels.hu/en/budapest-hotels/danubius-hotel-gellert-budapest> They have cheaper rooms that have not yet been renovated and more modern ones. Please **organize your bookings here individually**.

In case there are other, special queries (student dorms, exclusive hotels) please contact both Annamária Rákossy (rakossya@freemail.hu) and Gábor Zemplén (zemplen@filozofia.bme.hu)

Guidelines to project-presentations

Presentations of results, challenges and perspectives of the HIPST-partners should be limited to 30 min + 10 min discussion. Please keep in mind the large number of presentations. The use of a small number of slides is recommended.

Your project-presentation should provide the following information:

- Focus area of your project: describe your most important national partners (school, museum, teacher training...)
- National conferences and thematic working groups: describe briefly objectives, methodology, participants, and overall results
- Products of your group: give a rough overview and focus on one typical example
- Activities of dissemination of project results
- Relation to the overall objectives and schedule of the HIPST-project
- Problems, perspectives and expectations
- Questions to the HIPST group

Program of the Mid-term Meeting

day	time	event	responsible	
Thursday	26.02.2009			
		20:00	Dinner	BME
Friday	27.02.2009	09:00	Welcome, program, schedule and general information	BME, UB
		09:30	List of available material for teaching and learning (WP 2)	UO
		10:00	Coffee break	BME
		10:30	Presentation of results, challenges and perspectives I	AUTH
		11:10	Presentation of results, challenges and perspectives II	BME
		11:50	Presentation of results, challenges and perspectives III	FST
		12:30	Lunch break	BME
		14:00	Presentation of results, challenges and perspectives IV	HUJI
		14:40	Presentation of results, challenges and perspectives V	UO, UB
		15:20	Coffee break	BME
		15:40-16:15	Administration and financing	GTZ
		20:00	Dinner	BME
Saturday	28.02.2009	09:00	Theoretical framework and quality standards of HIPST: presentation and comments incl. those of the AB	HUJI, UB, AB
		9:45	In-depth evaluation: plans, methods, instruments (WP 7) and decisions on responsibilities (WP 5)	AUTH
		10:45	Coffee break	BME
		11:15	Presentation of results, challenges and perspectives VI	UL
		11:55	Presentation of results, challenges and perspectives VII	UR
		12:35	Lunch break	BME
		14:00	Presentation of results, challenges and perspectives VIII	UT
		14:40	Steering committee meeting, parallel meeting of AB (part 1)	GTZ / AB
		15:30	Coffee break	BME
		16:00	Presentation and discussion: format for presentation and exchange of teaching material (WP 4), parallel meeting of AB (part 2)	HUJI, UR / AB
		16:45-18:00	Final discussion	UB
		20:00	Dinner	BME
Sunday	01.03.2009	departure		

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 UO Oldenburg
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