

LA-CoNGA Physics (bi-)weekly chat





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News from the coordination



- <u>Université de Paris and CNRS : All non-critical onsite activities are shut down until further notice</u>
 - o people in France are required to remain confined at their homes, with limited exceptions
 - remote work is strongly favoured, for activities that can be performed in this way
 - this has a non-negligible impact on our activities
 - most critical : our Project Manager contract
 - best solution for us: allow her to work (remotely) as soon as possible
 - Cécile Derbois is repeatedly pushing DRH, so far with not much success
 - access to the budget is out of reach for the time being
 - nasty first reply : our project is "not a priority at this time"
 - Partnership Agreements : Cécile Derbois sent our request to Law Department
 - alas, no feedback as of today
 - weekly meeting with Cécile Derbois tomorrow, hopefully some news will be more positive ...
 - We are considering sending an official letter to our EACEA Project Officer (c.f. next slide)



News from the coordination



We received a first feedback from EACEA on CBHE timelines and deadlines

o maybe drafted a few days ago, not very kind nor realistic concerning the ongoing situation ...

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À : Cecile Derbois

Objet: Erasmus+ CBHE Project 610456 - Information concerning Coronavirus

Dear Erasmus+ CBHE project Coordinator,

In the context of the measure taken by national competent authorities to contain the spread of the coronavirus infection, the EACEA has been consulted on the potential effect of such measures on EU funded projects whose implementation could be hindered, or partially/temporarily affected, by mobility restrictions. In that regards, EACEA reminds that participating organisations should contact the individual participants who already are in, or are planning to leave to or from the affected areas within the coming weeks; they should follow the formal and official prescription issued and/or adopted by the local competent authorities.

Within this context, the ordinary implementation of the planned actions shall be normally carried out, as far as possible, and it is for the participating organisations and individuals to decide on the appropriate and proportionate course of action to take in the light of the measures formally adopted by the competent authorities. Participants should also be reminded of the assistance that can be provided by embassies, consulates and honorary consulates in the country of their stay.

EACEA also reminds that all the Agreements contain a "force majeure" clause which <u>may</u> apply to mobility restrictions, as a direct consequence of the measures taken by the competent national authorities in charge. However, please note that <u>the existence of an event of "force majeure" suitable to concretely hinder the ordinary implementation of the planned actions will be analysed on a "case-by-case" basis, and in due time, i.e. when the eligibility of the costs will be assessed.</u>

You can find additional information on the situation on the Commission website https://ec.europa.eu/health/coronavirus_en, and on the website of the European Centre for Disease Prevention and Control https://www.ecdc.europa.eu/en/coronavirus.

https://www.ecdc.europa.eu/en/novel-coronavirus-china/questions-answers.

The message is also published in the EACEA website (link to EACEA website)

Best regards,

The Erasmus+ CBHE Team in EACEA (Unit A4)



About the time-sheets



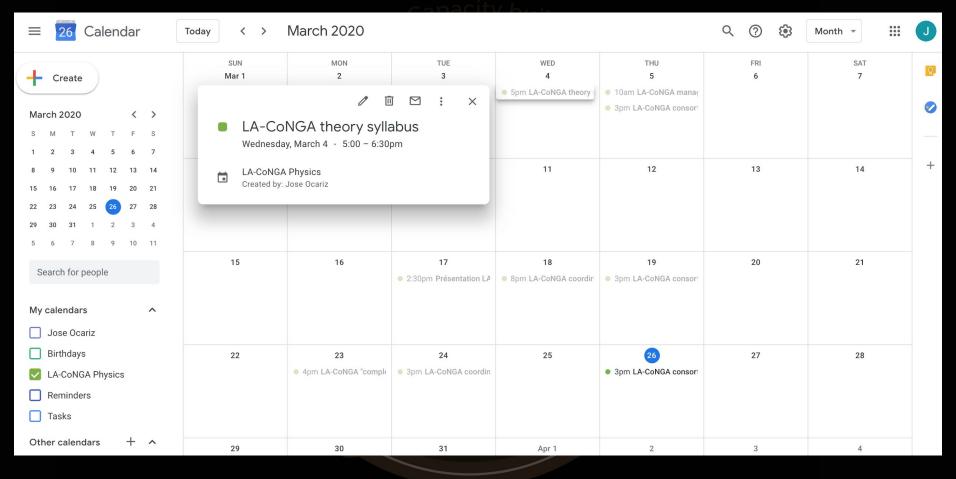
- Time-sheets on the git (c.f. Previous meetings): https://github.com/LA-CoNGA/OfficialDocuments
 - still we have only a small number of inputs
 - (with a limited improvement since last week)
 - this is crucial information, will be used by EACEA to pay Staff Costs to your institution
 - If you update it frequently, your life will be made a lot easier
 - also, do not forget to upload on the repository all documents attesting your activities
- Action item : we propose to test a shared google Calendar
 - main idea: simplify your life (and ours)
 - collective activities (meetings etc) will be easily tracked for all of us
 - BUT you need to indicate in the calendar entry your attendance!
 - we already pre-filled the calendar with (most) LA-CoNGA activities since Jan. 15th
 - PLEASE, browse the calendar, mark your attendance, fill missing items
 - (provide Reina with your google ID to have edit rights)

https://calendar.google.com/calendar?cid=Zm8zZXExYWpsMTNidXBndWxjcTdtcmw2OW9AZ3JvdXAuY2FsZW5kYXluZ29vZ2xlLmNvbQ



About the time-sheets







About the the regular time slot for our Consortium Meetings



- Requested last week: can we revisit the Thursday 15h00 CET time slot?
 - please fill the doodle below
 - (indicated are working days in a "typical" week, do not care about dates)
 - if another time slot shows a clear improvement in attendance, we'll change the dates

https://doodle.com/poll/4tmhuuurwmydg6su

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Other action items



- Should we produce a short, first status report?
 - white-paper-like describing activities performed/completed after ~3 months
 - could be a useful document to be distributed among authorities/interlocutors
 - would also help in explaining the observed difficulties induced by the pandemia
- WP5 Preparatory work
 - José Antonio updated the doodle time slots : https://doodle.com/poll/fdwhhdbvein6iywp
 - please fill your availabilities asap!
- About the video-press-release
 - let's face it, not high-priority at this stage in this context
- On the "Complex systems" initiative LA-CoNGA
 - Pierre will be soon circulating a 1st draft of a proposal, calling for a subgroup meeting
- Short status reports per institution
 - ongoing/completed tasks
 - specific institution-related items/issues/feedback

AOB?