



European Network of Indicators Designers

2014 General Assembly, Leiden, 4 September 2014, 12.30 – 14.00, Kleine Foyer

The following members are present:

Institutional members	Individual members
Benedetto Lepori, University of Lugano	Isidro Aguillo, IPP-CSIC
Emanuela Reale, CERIS	Franz Barjak, Univ. Applied Sciences Northwestern Switzerland
Ton van Raan (president), Robert Tijssen, CWTS Leiden.	Cinzia Daraio, Univ. La Sapienza Roma
Wolfgang Polt, Joanneum, Wien	Peter van den Besselaar,, VU Amsterdam
Ismael Rafols, SPRU	
Sybille Hinze (secretary), Stefan Hornbostel IFQ Berlin.	
Gunnar Sivertsen, NIFU, Oslo	
Nicolas Carayol, OST, Paris	
Philippe Laredo, Univ. de Paris Est (treasurer)	
Jordi Molas-Gallart, Ingenio	

The assembly is also open to other interested participants.

Agenda:

1. Approval of the agenda
2. Report of the President on the activities of the ENID association, on the general strategy for ENID
3. Report on finances (Treasurer)
4. Future activities: STI conference series.
 - a. Lugano 2015
 - b. Valencia 2016 in collaboration with Network for Science and Technology Indicators –Ibero-American and Inter-American– RICYT
5. Varia

1. Agenda has been approved.
2. Report of the President on the activities of the ENID association on the general strategy for ENID and on finances

Ton van Raan (president) shortly presents the activities of the association:

- New internet presentation enid-europe.org, which apart from providing information on ENID, its objectives and members also
 - provides information on relevant upcoming events and news:
 - On the STI conference series
 - On the recently started RISIS - Research Infrastructure for Science and Innovation Studies - project, which involves many of institutional ENID members and
 - enables online membership application

The president reminds members that the website is only as complete and up-to-date as the information provided by all ENID members and asks to contribute to make this website an interesting source of information for the community.

- New members: Since September 2013 18 new applications have been submitted. Membership applications have to be approved by the board. Thus quarterly, board members are informed about these applications and asked for approval.
 - Membership applications received: September 2013-August 2014

	Institutional	Individual	Total
Applied	6	12	18
Approved	4	8	12
Pending*	2	4	6

*Note: Applications pending are due for approval by 15 September 2014

With regard to membership the issue discussed regards voting rules in case of overlap between institutional and individual memberships, which both are possible. The assembly agreed that in case of overlapping institutional and individual membership, the vote from the institutional representative takes precedence over an individual vote from a member from the same institution.

Discussion on standardization: ENID and its members actively engage in a number of activities aiming at defining standards or principles for metrics based research evaluation. Previous discussions during the 2013 ISSI and STI conferences in Vienna and Berlin were taken up in an International Workshop on “Guidelines and good practices on quantitative assessments of research” in Paris, May 12, 2014, which was organized by various ENID member organizations, OST in cooperation with CWTS, OST-UQAM, SPRU, NIFU, KU Leuven, INGENIO and OcyT. A draft document / discussion paper was made available and can be accessed via OST and ENID website. Also at STI 2014, a round table on standardization took place. A result of the round table was a draft of a manifest on “guiding principles for metrics based research evaluation” by Diana Hicks (“Leiden Manifesto”). ENID members agreed that ENID needs to play a central role in further developing the "Leiden Manifesto". and, as one of its key signatories and proponents. Ton van Raan agreed to take a leading role in the drafting and coordination of the diffusion of the manifesto. The aim is to use the momentum of the HEFCE discussion in the UK on potential metrics for disseminating the manifesto.

It was also agreed to involve other important stakeholders in Europe e.g. ISSI (Wolfgang Glanzel, Ronald Rosseau); ORCID, the ERC, Science Europe, the US (Diana Hicks), Latin America (RYCIT) in the initiative.

With regard to ensuring quality in metric based research evaluation Ton van Raan suggested to use the ENID website to open a user forum, where relevant actors could reflect on methodological issues and communicate bad and good use of metrics. In the discussion it was however mentioned that ENID would need to react to respective input and it remained unclear who would be the authorized body to do so. Thus, a decision has not yet been taken on how to proceed.

Wolfgang Polt also suggested to get more involved in methodological discussions beyond bibliometric indicators e.g. around the revisions of the FRASCAT Manual which are underway. He offered to organize a workshop discussing the drafted revisions.

3. Finances

- Philippe Laredo, ENID’s treasurer reported that no movements on the association account have taken place. The only cost occurred where banking costs, consequently the account balance is slightly below 2000.

4. Future activities: STI conference series.

- The locations and themes for the STI Conference in 2015 and 2016 have been approved.
- 20th STI Conference 2015: Research organizations under scrutiny. New indicators and analytical results. Lugano, Università della Svizzera italiana, 2-4 September 2015

- 21th STI Conference 2016: STI INDICATORS IN & FOR THE PERIPHERIES, Valencia, INGENIO (CSIC-UPV) in collaboration with the Network for Science and Technology Indicators –Ibero-American and Inter-American– (RICYT)

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For information: According to the statutes board members are elected for 2 years by the general assembly. Memberships were endorsed during the last meeting at the STI conference 2013 in Berlin. There is no need for change.

For information purposes:

The current composition of the board is the following:

- Ton van Raan, CWTS Leiden (president)
- Philippe Larédo, University of Paris Est (treasurer).
- Sveinung Skule, NIFU STEP, Oslo.
- Emanuela Reale, CNR-CERIS, Rome.
- Peter van den Besselaar, VU Amsterdam.
- Ben Jongbloed, CHEPS, Twente.
- Benedetto Lepori, University of Lugano.
- Robert Tijssen, CWTS Leiden.
- Francesco Lissoni, University of Bordeaux
- Stephan Hornbostel, IFQ, Berlin.
- Sybille Hinze, IFQ, Berlin (secretary)
- Wolfgang Polt, Joanneum, Wien.

ENID committee, an informal body who supports the president in his tasks and, particularly in coordinating the conference series; it is composed by the following persons.

- Ton van Raan, CWTS Leiden (president)
- Emanuela Reale, CNR-CERIS, Rome.
- Robert Tijssen, CWTS Leiden.
- Sybille Hinze, IFQ, Berlin.
- Benedetto Lepori, USI, Lugano.

The president closes the assembly at 14.00 PM.

Ton van Raan, ENID President



Sybille Hinze, ENID Secretary

