

Foresight Europe Network, Meeting June 12th 2018, hosted by FFRC, in Tampere

News on and from FEN

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Agenda Today

Guiding question: What can be next steps for the network?

- **2 p.m. Welcome** by FEN leadership and host FFRC
 - **Introductions**
 - **Inputs / Inspiration - FEN-related and other matters**
 - Cornelia Daheim, Future Impacts Consulting and FEN-president: “News on and from FEN”
 - News on and from the Millennium Project – Jerome C. Glenn
 - Burkhard Auffermann, FFRC: Update on FEN-Proposal Future of Global Governance (and news from FFRC)
- **Interactive Sessions on**
 - The (Future of Work and the) Future of Cities – a potential topic for FEN-activities? - Joris
 - The Future of Governance – a potential topic for further FEN-projects? - Hardi
 - „Open Space“ - topics to be decided on location
- **Feedback from the Group Sessions, Summary and Conclusions**
- **6.00 p.m. End of Meeting**

About The Foresight Europe Network

Who We Are, Our Aims - And How We Realize Them

You can join by joining the email-list here:
<https://groups.google.com/forum/#!forum/foresighteuropenetwork/join>



FEN-Meetings in Paris, Bilbao, Florence

The Foresight Europe Network FEN is a **network of institutions and individuals active in foresight in Europe**. It continues from far-reaching previous activities, e.g. the Regional Foresight Collège and the European Millennium Project Nodes Initiative EuMPI (in recent years led by Philippe Destatte and Ibon Zugasti). **Many members are from Nodes of the Millennium Project in Europe (but not all - we are encouraging members beyond this circle)**. We are currently approx. 140 members from a variety of countries.

The aim of the network is to advance foresight in Europe. We do so:

- by enabling connections between practitioners in our two meetings per year (and via the email-list),
- by furthering and creating projects between our members,
- with activities showcasing foresight at conferences and events,
- and via publications.

How We Function: Low on Formalities, High in Output

Current FEN Management Principles

No “formal” organisation (No fees, no formal admin, no legal issues, open to membership without selective “barrier”)

Troika-leadership = guarantees sustainability (Incoming, current, outgoing president = leadership troika of president and two vice-presidents)

Cornerstone Activities

- **Two meetings a year**, around Europe (ideally in conjunction with a conference or project meeting)

- **Focus on creating funded projects**

Access to a network of foresight practitioners in Europe

Invitations to and free participation at FEN-meetings = gathering with like-minded foresight practitioners

Possibility to shape FEN activities

Possibility to create and realize projects with other FEN-members

Membership Benefits

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FEN - Strategic Pillars & Current Projects

The Future of Work

Lead: Ibon Zugasti
(/Cornelia Daheim)

Projects: Workshop
at FFRC Conference
June 2017 & Report

The Future of Cities

Lead: Martine
Delannoy (w. Joris
Wauters)

**Projects: Workshop
in Tampere, June
2018**

**Foresight Capacity
Building**

Lead: Anna Sacio

**Funded Project:
beFORE
New proposal w.
Ukraine**

**Creating the Future
with the Younger
Generation**

Lead: Erica Bol

Projects: Teach the
Future Europe; New:
„Zukunftsbauer“ by
Alien Moeck

***New candidate:
Global Challenges &
Governance***

Lead: Burkhard
Auffermann

**H2020 Proposal –
handed in**

Thank you to FFRC, for hosting us!

UPDATE ON FEN-ACTIVITIES

Strategic Direction - Current Focus 2017 / 2018 + Building a Sustainable Network (Blue= done; Green = upcoming)

- Focus orientation of projects and activities on **defined strategic pillars**
 - Drawing from existing competencies and activities lending themselves to FEN aims, Thereby creating synergy
- **Build an increasingly sustainable organization**
 - Continue meeting and conference presence / activities
 - Transfer communication to a tool for email and group management
 - Widen volunteer basis
 - Widen “European reach” and membership (more members, meetings in other European countries than previously)
 - Systematically create connection to European actors in the field and to other networks (APF, WFSF, WFS, national foresight networks)
 - Increase visibility: PR-materials / potentially publication

Recent Achievements

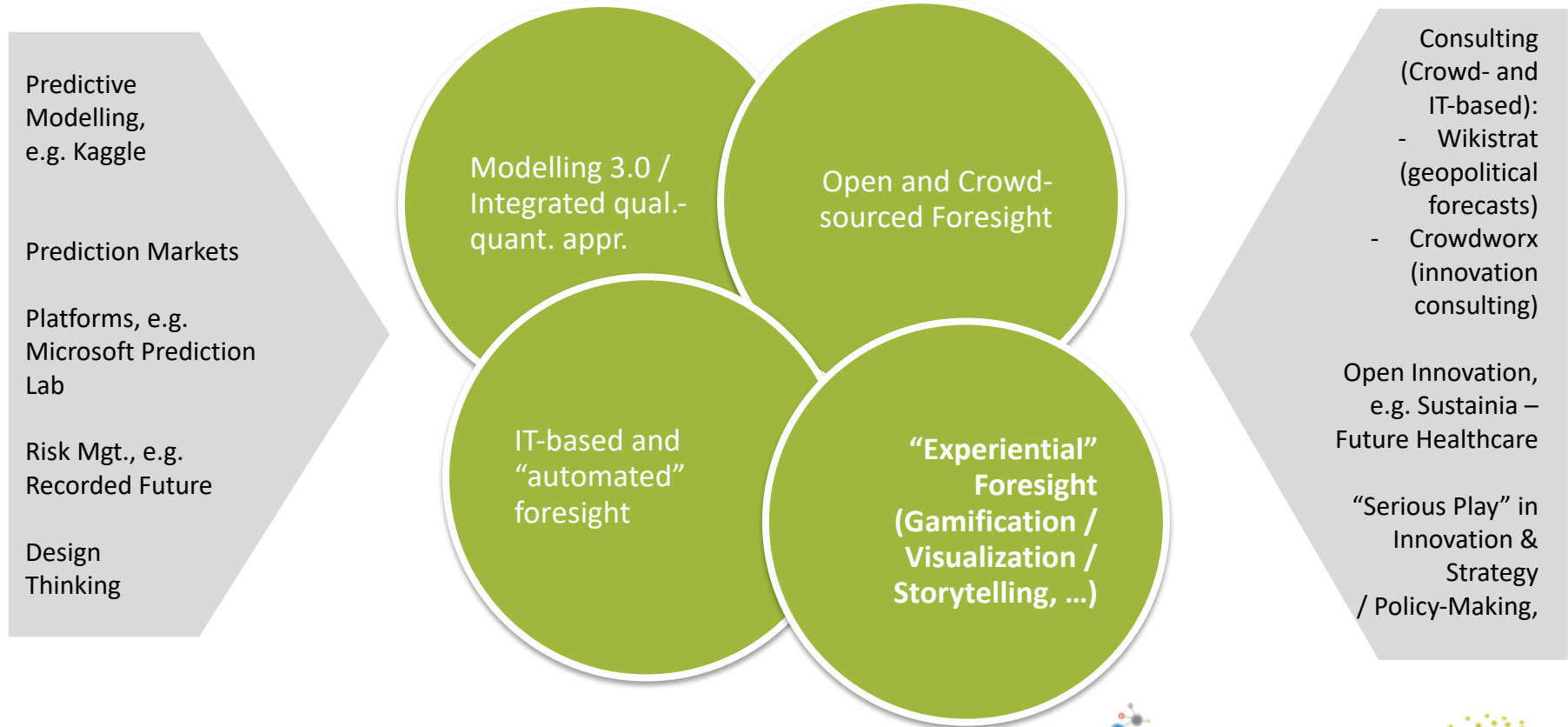
- Switch of email-list to google-email-lists
 - Members can subscribe / unsubscribe themselves
 - Access to archive
 - Members can choose frequency of notifications
- Growth
 - of members: Now approx. 150
 - of meeting participation: E.g. 40 plus in Berlin
 - of number of younger members, also with active role - see Berlin meeting
- Building options for next meeting occasions and locations. Current Options:
 - Brussels - EU JRC Foresight Unit; and / or next FTA
 - Prague or Oloumuc - Czech Republic
 - Fontys University, NL

Volunteers Welcome – Examples of Tasks

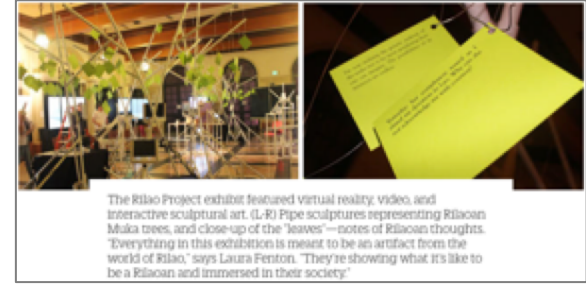
Field	Project Leads / Coordination	Meeting Hosts	PR / Outreach	Minutes
Tasks	Define, create, lead projects (or support)	Host and organize a FEN-Meeting in your country	Reach out systematically to new members / Build email list / ...	Write minutes from one of the meetings
Regular Support ideal	X	-	X	
One-Off support possible	X	X	(X)	X
Volunteers				

THE MEETING IN BERLIN

4 Emerging Practices in Foresight that Gain in Importance Today: Focus on Experiential Approaches



Experiential Foresight Gamification / Visualization / Storytelling, ...



Key Benefits

- Higher impact, also with decision-makers, via more direct engagement and “emotional” experience of abstract “future”
- Encourages perspective of creating the future
- Can uncover blind spots of traditional analytical techniques

Variety of Approaches in Foresight are practiced already, e.g. various games (today: SES, Thing from the Future, Impact, Future Disruptions Game), or theatre- and scripting-based approaches (enactments) and storytelling based formats (today: storytelling for scenarios, StorifyYourVision)

Image Sources: IFTF Foresight Engine <http://www.iftf.org/what-we-do/foresight-tools/collaborative-forecasting-games/>, The Thing from the Future <http://situationlab.org/projects/the-thing-from-the-future/>, Rilao Remote Viewing Protocol <http://situationlab.org/projects/rilao-remote-viewing-protocol>, <http://situationlab.org/projects/the-thing-from-the-future/>

Agenda Berlin & Working Sessions

- Keynotes by Laurent Bontoux, EU JRC, and Nadezhda Gaponenko, Russian Academy of Science
- Working Sessions on Games:
 - Laurent: "Gaming Session: The Scenario Exploration System"
 - Christina: "Gaming Session: Showcasing (Research and) two Foresight Games (Impact & Thing from the Future)"
 - Jonas & Christian: "Gaming Session: Link - A Scenario Game"
 - Christian & Cornelia: "Gaming Session: Future Disruptions" (A Board Game)
- Working Sessions on Storytelling-based-approaches
 - Yannis: "Narrative Approaches to Foresight Scenarios: The "I" Concept"
 - Leon: „#StoryYourVision“ (Creating Video Visions)



Current FEN project proposals

- Ongoing activities to leverage funding options for FEN-members

- H 2020 – led by FFRC, Burkhard Auffermann (handed in)
- Norway grants / Foresight capacity building project – led by Anna Sacio (to be handed in 1.7.)
- New option: Call “On-demand foresight” – see email-list

INPUT ON THE MP – BY J. GLENN

INPUT BY BURKHARD AUFFERMANN – H2020 GLOBAL GOVERNANCE / EU-PROPOSALS STRATEGY

Working Sessions (Facilitator free to guide as he/she sees fit!)

- **Intro** (maybe with input as slides) by facilitator, e.g. on his/her views of the topic
- **Discussion with participants - Guiding questions:**
 - What are your experiences / projects in this field?
 - What is important about our topic?
 - What are options for activities of shared projects / activities of members of FEN in this field?
 - What can be three concrete next steps towards such a project, and who can contribute what?
- **Expected Output:**
 - Flipchart with 3 main insights
 - If it emerged: Suggested next steps for a FEN-project in this area (who / when / what)

Parallel sessions on specific topics

- **Hardi: Global Governance**
- **Joris (Cornelia): Future of Cities**

One facilitator / chair per session

Participants can choose which session to attend

Duration: approx. 60 mins.

Thank you!

See you soon!

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