

Minutes Emergence Meeting, CRG Barcelona

November 29, 2007, 3 pm

CRG - Centre de Regulació Genòmica

Participants:

- ETHZ: Sven Panke, Frauke Greve, Mario Marchisio
- HZI: Vitor Martins dos Santos
- UCL: Nicolas Szita
- CNIO: Alfonso Valencia, Ildefonso Cases
- UCAM: Jim Haseloff
- MIT: Randy Rettberg
- CSIC: Victor de Lorenzo
- CRG: Andreu Alibes, Alejandro Nadra, Luis Serrano
- Geneart: Frank Notka
- DSM: Luis Pasamontes
- Guest from FP7 TARPOL: Andrés Moya from the University of Valencia

WP2: Attracting Talent to SB in Europe

- Status report (Sven P) (D 2.1 – 2.2)
- Efforts regarding European Master in Synthetic Biology (Alfonso J)
- Discussions re topic and format of SB summer schools (Sven P)
- iGEM in Europe (Randy R)
- Educational material at IET, update (Jim H)

WP3: European IT Infrastructure for SB

- Status report (Alfonso V) (D 3.1 – 3.2)
- Update on server activities (Randy R., Alfonso V.)
- Future activities (Alfonso V)
- Together with WP4
 - Report on the Biobricks meeting early November in Boston (IP, standards - Randy R)
 - Launching of a workshop on defining a gold standard for standards/European registry (Alfonso V)

WP4: Towards a Consensus Language for SB

- Status report (Victor dL) (D 4.1)
- Future activities (Victor dL)

WP5: Building the Academia-Industry Interface

- Change in WP leadership structure (DSM/Geneart)
- Plans re implementation of WP5 goals (Frank N) (D 5.1 – 5.2)
- Future activities (Frank N)

WP1: General Networking Activities

- Status report (Vitor MdS) (Del.: 1.1- 1.4)

- Introduction Andrés Moya & FP7 Coordination action in Synthetic Biology Tarpol (S. Panke & A. Moya)
- Update US activities (Randy R, see also WP3)
- Future activity (Vitor MdS)
- Scientific & infrastructure bottlenecks in SB in Europe – implications for Emergence (all/ input & moderation Sven P)

Overarching Topics:

- Coordinated effort ESF funding in Synthetic Biology for May 2008 (Sven P)
- Funding situation in FP7, if still virulent after the ESF conference (Victor dL, Sven P)
- Coordination with iGEM in Europe (all/moderation: Sven P)
- Feedback on SB3.0 and ESF conference (informal) – do we need to take action for some issues?
- Topics for Newsletter #2 – x (Frauke G)
- Communication platform for the SB community on our Emergence webpage (Frauke G)