



**Members present:** Hans Lund, Peg Ford, Hanna Nykvist, Robin Christensen, Karen Robinson, Mona Nasser, Marlies Leenaars

1. **Key statements for the EBRNetwork** – the following text was suggested for the **aim** (changes from the previous aim are highlighted in red):

*The aim of the EBRNetwork is to **promote evidence-based research** by **endorsing**:*

- a. *No new studies without prior systematic review of existing evidence*
- b. *Efficient production, updating, and **accessibility** of systematic reviews*

The following was suggested for the **definition** of evidence-based research (changes from the previous definition are highlighted in red):

*Evidence-based research is the use of prior research in a systematic and transparent way to inform **a new study** so that it is answering questions that matter in a valid, efficient and accessible manner.*

We decided not to change the definition of evidence-based research to include research-on-research, but rather add it as a method to achieve our aim. The following methods/tasks were identified as ways to achieve our aims:

- a. Meta-research
- b. Involve consumers
- c. Develop methods to be evidence-based
- d. Partner up with important stakeholders
- e. Automation of preparing systematic reviews

The discussion will continue at the next meeting.

## 2. **AOCB** –

- a. Peg will give a 10-15 minute presentation about advocacy and reaching out to the public at the Steering Group meeting in August.
- b. Karen and Robin are interested in attending the [International Congress on Peer Review and Scientific Publication](#), September 10-12, 2017, Swissotel, Chicago, Illinois, USA
- c. Dates for the next meetings:  
June 15th 17.00 – 18.00 CET  
August 16th 17.00 – 18.00 CET  
October 11th 17.00 – 18.00 CET  
November 15th 17.00 – 18.00 CET  
December 13th 17.00 – 18.00 CET