

Evidence-Based Research Network.
Steering Group Meeting
Wednesday 20 May 19:00 – 20:00 (CEST)

Members present: Hans Lund, Peg Ford, Mona Nasser, Hanna Nykvist, Klara Brunnhuber

1. **Status for Road Map & Open Access** – Hanna and Hans will send an email to all first authors of paper 3 – 9 and ask them to prepare an outline and a timeline. We need to find funding possibilities for the network and we also need to prepare paper 1 and 2 and approach the BMJ and ask about the costs for open access. Bertil is also thinking of ways to negotiate a lower price and Mona offered to help.
2. **Finances** – the network is registered in the Danish Central Business Register and we should have a bank account set up in a few weeks. Hans will ask his colleagues at University of Southern Denmark to help with identifying potential sources of funding. Anyone who has any suggestions should email them to Hanna.
3. **Letter from JCE** – Jessice McGowan has taken over from Peter Tugwell and they will have a discussion about our Road Map at the editorial board.
4. **Tagline** – Klara, Mona and Peg will continue to work on it.
5. **Evidence Live 2016** – the conference will be in June 2016 so we will wait until we know more about the status of our papers and then approach Carl Henegan.
6. **EBHC** – Hans and Klara submitted an abstract to the EBHC conference in Sicily.
7. **COMET** – Karen has presented a poster on behalf of the EBRNetwork.
8. **Bergen Statement** – Klara and Olwen Beaven have come up with a suggested search strategy. Hans and his colleagues at University of Southern Denmark will conduct the search.
9. **DIGEST** – they have a meeting on the 27th of May and they will discuss the possibilities to automate the systematic review process. It is very difficult, but it is an important area to explore further. Hans will give a more detailed report at our next meeting.
10. **HIFA2015.org** – it is a good initiative and they would provide us with access to a wider network. It also provides us with an opportunity to help them to include more consumers to get the public and community more involved. Hanna and Hans will take it further.
11. **AOCB**
 - Mona will look into the possibility of arranging a lunch meeting at the Cochrane Colloquium. If it is not possible she will choose a meeting time that seems most appropriate, but it will be at 07.30am.
 - One of our members Luigia Scudeller wants to organise a seminar on EBR in the autumn 2015 or spring 2016. She would appreciate if one of the founding members would be able to participate and give a presentation. Hans has expressed an interest, but Hanna will update everyone when the date is set.
 - Peg has been asked to write a featured commentary for the GROWTH Evidence Newsletter on the Institute of Medicine (IOM) Clinical Practice Guidelines from the consumer's perspective and how the IOM report has or has not impacted consumer engagement. She will bring in the network.
 - Klara suggested that we may approach [Choosing Wisely](#) as an organisation that works on similar issues, although we focus more on the research end. They complement our work and we should consider sending them an email and introducing ourselves.