



Tübingen, October 5, 2017

**Minutes of the Fifth Management Committee (MC) Meeting of COST Action
CA15101 “Comparative Analysis of Conspiracy Theories”**

**Lisbon, Portugal
September 22, 2017**

1. Welcome by Action Chair

The meeting is officially convened by the Action Chair at 09:50 am.

2. Quorum Call

Countries present at the meeting: Austria, Belgium, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Croatia, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Estonia, Finland, France, Georgia, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, Israel, Ireland, Italy, Lithuania, Malta, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Serbia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Turkey, United Kingdom, fYR Macedonia

The quorum is reached.

3. Adoption of the Agenda

The Agenda (Annex 1) is officially adopted by the MC.

4. Approval of Minutes from the Previous Meeting

The minutes are approved unanimously.

5. Status of the Action

The Action Chair gives an update of the state of the Action:

- No new updates since the last meeting in Tübingen, July 28, 2017.

6. Report by Grant Holder

The Action Grant Holder gives an update:

- Marina Lieb is stepping down as Grant Manager and will be replaced by Janine Schwarz and Annika Thiem at the beginning of October.

7. ITC Conference Grants

The Action Vice Chair gives an update on the Action's increased budget, which will be used for ITC Conference Grants. A call for applications will be issued soon.

Proposal of an editorial meeting for the handbook: e-vote will be sent out.

8. Budget Amendment for Year 2

See 7.

9. Place and Dates for Future Meetings

Confirmed future meetings:

- MC/WG Meeting, Hotel de Bilderberg, 25-26 May 2018
- MC/WG Meeting, Dubrovnik, 21-22 September 2018

Not yet confirmed future meetings:

- Training School, Kent (PolSci & Psychology), Summer 2018 → call for applications should be sent out soon
- MC/WG Meeting, Huelva, autumn 2019
- MC/WG Meeting and Action Conference, and Stakeholder Training School, Prague, spring 2020
- Brussels stakeholder workshop, February 2020

10. Publication Plans, esp. Handbook

The Action Chair gives an update on the Action's publication plans:

- Agreement with Routledge to put together a large Handbook on Conspiracy Theories and a book series that will incorporate monographs, short books and edited volumes.
- Various proposals were previously circulated via e-mail.
- Possible titles and edited volumes were introduced

11. Any Other Business

No other business.

12. Closing

The Action Chair closes the Meeting at 10:35 am.

Annex A: Agenda MC Meeting Lisbon

Attached as separate a file.

Annex B: Attendance List

Attached as separate a file.