

# Minutes of CHANGE Project

## Visby (SE) 23-25 September 2015

**Attendance:** Prof. Stefano Della Torre, Prof. Silvia Naldini, Prof. Christer Gustaffson, Prof. Koen Van Balen, Prof. Dario Foppoli, Dr. Akram Ijla, Dr. Aziliz Vandesande, Ms. Nathalie Van Roy, and Dr. Rossella Moioli.

**Venue:** Uppsala University- Campus Gotland.

### *September 23th 2015*

7:30- 11:00 PM Welcoming dinner at *Bolaget* restaurant in Visby

### *September 24th 2015:*

*First Discussion Session: 9:00- 10:30 am*

- Welcoming speech by Prof. Christer Gustafsson.
- Short introduction about the Swedish efforts in understanding and educating cultural heritage. The experience of technical issues in conservation in Gotland campus and the integrated approach presented by Göteborg University and how the two programs (the two acknowledged programs in Sweden) have been developed in terms of integrating architecture, anthropology, art history, planning, conservation and maintenance in one systematic program. However, Uppsala advanced its program by come up with sustainable development in historic conservation and preservation.

Prof. Gustafsson:

At the end of my introduction, I would like to draw your attention on the importance of future development and fund for CHANGE project. In time of political, economic, and social (refugee flood) in Europe, we can develop new projects and new proposal.

Prof. Van Balen:

We are working with a number of projects with the EU and we always handling the issue of socioeconomic benefits of historic conservation. Additionally, we always have the momentum aiming at figuring out different ideas, sharing information on fundraising opportunities for new projects.

Prof. Della Torre:

- Our meeting's agenda as follows:
  - o 1. Brain storming about the working packages and its context, how these packages will be incorporated in one output package.
  - o 2. Where we are going (road map).
  - o 3. Task assignments (who will do what).
  - o 4. Deliverables due (deadlines).
- Now CHANGE team understand what are going in the partners' conservation arenas (Italy, Belgium, Netherland, and Sweden experiences) and it seems that we have three packages of education.
  - o 1. The impact of conservation policies and strategies on Social capital.
  - o 2. Sustainable development.
  - o 3. Technical and conservation quality.
- Thus, it is essential to develop three models in our project.

Prof. Van Balen:

- If we development the three models, I recommend and suggest that the output can be presented as scholarly work (publishing articles or papers).
- It will be easy by the end to combine the three papers in the final report.
- The report can be consist of Introduction, Literature review, Methodology, CHANGE general question and after that the three papers can be integrated as analytical experiences.

Prof. Naldini:

- Discussing technical issues regarding the project.
- The project starts in May 2015 and it is necessary to use the allocated budget of 2015.
- The project started by we are still discussing some elusive questions and we need to ask GPI for flexibility in time framework.
- The partners must come up with signing the agreements with their national focal point in order to discuss who will lead the project.
- It is important to know our team and whether we have to sign contract with them or not. Personally, I am looking for having post-doctoral scholars to work with me in collecting and evaluating data and form. Monument Watch project has tremendous data resulted from the inspection work and we are looking to integrate our work as part of CHANGE report.

Prof. Gustafsson and Prof. van Balen (Additional information on interested platforms).

- UNESCO chair in Historic Conservation.
- Sustainable Development of Urban Historic preservation UN-HABITAT.

*10:30- 11:00 am FIKA (Coffee break)*

*Second Discussion Session; 11:00 am- 01:00 pm*

Prof. Gustafsson.

- Let's conceptualize the ideas of the packages and connect it to CHANGE project.
- We must look at the agreement and our proposal and to fit our forthcoming work according to it.
- It is essential to sign the agreements with each national contact point.

Prof. Della Torre:

- Conceptualizing the previous experiences by developing conceptual grid.
- Introducing cultural heritage conservation and management experiences in Italy by formulating and developing a grid. This grid can be generalized to match the four countries experiences and to be utilized as CHANGE project conceptual framework. I do recommend if we can develop it as draft and we then receiving feedback for all of us.

Prof. Van Balen:

- Now it becomes more clear to draft the final report structure as follows:
  1. Forward.
  2. Introduction.
  3. Definitions
  4. Justification and conceptual framework (the developed grid).
  5. Literature review and comparative case studies.
  6. Methodology and Research Tools.
  7. (In this part we can integrate the scholarly papers and the experiences of the partners; Italy, Netherland, Belgium, and Sweden).

Prof. Balen and others:

- We must be aware of using the proper terms and definitions. Also, in developing the grid, we have to utilize the needed indicators such as; skills or capacity building, market or community engagement as a whole or narrow up in more detail to include public participation, social networking, civic society, social media, social communication etc.

*Lunch 01:00- 2:00 pm*

2:00- 2:30 pm (free time for short visit to nearest place in Visby Old City.

*Third Session 2:30- 7:00 pm*

- Presentation of the three experiences and proposed models.

**September 25th 2015:**

*First Session: 9:00- 10:30 am*

- Cultural Heritage as integration tool for Refugees' in Europe: presentation and future proposals

Prof. Gustafsson:

- Tasks and deliverables.
- We have another three meetings (Delft, Leuven, and Milano).
- I do recommend that scholarly papers to be presented in a conference or symposium as part of CHANGE project and I do suggest spring of 2016.
- I do recommend also closing conference and in this conference we can use it to present our results as well as marketing mean for further funds and I suggest February 2017 as tentative date.

*10:30- 11:00 am FIKA (Coffee break)*

**Scheduling next meetings:**

- Delft Meeting: 11- 12 January 2016 and additional day to be in site day to be more close to the monument Watch experience.
- Milano Meeting: Two days in the week of 23- 27 May 2016 (the accurate date TBD later).
- Leuven Meeting: Two days between 6<sup>th</sup>- 11<sup>th</sup> of February 2017 (the accurate date TBD later).
- Milano Meeting: September 2017.

**Deliverables:** The team agrees to share responsibilities due Delft meeting as follows:

1. Developing the Grid (DRAFT).  
*Responsibility:* Prof. Della Torre  
*Due:* 2015 October 20<sup>th</sup>  
*Feedback due:* 2015 November 2<sup>nd</sup>
2. First draft of definitions and explanation of the grid.  
*Responsibility:* Prof. Koen and Dr. Vandesande.  
*Due:* 2016 January 11<sup>th</sup>  
*Feedback due:* TBD during Delft meeting
3. Methodology  
*Responsibility:* Prof. Gustafsson and Dr. Ijla  
*Due:* 2016 January 11<sup>th</sup>  
*Feedback due:* TBD during Delft meeting.
4. Literature Review, proposed study questions, and examples of the Grid.  
*Responsibility:* Each team of the three themes  
*Due:* 2016 January 11<sup>th</sup>  
*Feedback due:* TBD during Delft meeting.
5. Web page design, Logo, and connections.  
*Responsibility:* Prof. Della Torre  
*Due:* 2016 January 11<sup>th</sup>  
*Feedback due:* TBD during Delft meeting
  
6. Skype conference on Future Call  
October 8<sup>th</sup> 2015  
Time: 17:00

Closing remarks.

*Departure to the Airport: 9:00- 12:15 pm*