



## REPORT: WORK IN THE WORKING GROUPS FOR SEPTEMBER 2013 WITHIN IDEBATEEU PROJECT

**Name of event:** Work in the working groups

**Date(s) of event:** September 1<sup>st</sup> – 30<sup>th</sup> 2013

**Location of event:** This activity was implemented through the regular email correspondence between members of working groups.

**Activities (training, seminar, tournament, etc):** Representatives of working groups exchanged information and conclusions about the topics of their working groups during September. Centre of Cultivating Dialogue is a member of the following groups:

Working group: Internal Communications

Working group: Governance and Operations

Working group: Karl Popper

Working group: Website

**Number of participants:**

Working group: Internal Communications – 4

Working group: Governance and Operations– 5

Working group: Karl Popper – 0

Working group: Website – 0

**Background of participants (type of school, age, ethnic background (if relevant) etc):** Participants in the working groups are representatives of the partner organizations in project IdebateEU. CCD's representatives are:

Sanja Vlaisavljević – Working group: Karl Popper \*

Nadina Balagić – Working groups: Internal Communications and Governance and Operations

Tijana Ljuboje – Working group: Website\*\*

\*Working group did not have activities during September.

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**Motions/topics/focus:**

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Working group: Internal Communications

Topics:

Exchange of documents – criteria

Recognizing the problems the organizations are faced with

Translation of documents

Working group: Governance and Operations

Topics:

Defining IDEA membership

Criteria for IDEA membership

Theme: Harmonization of the mission's text (short and long version)

**Describe what happened/what the participants did in a bit more detail:**

Working group: Internal Communications – coordinator Ana Hlavacova (ADK – Czech Republic)

CCD's representative in this working group is Nadina Balagić, who during the correspondence pointed out that all discussed topics are very important and that all members should give their contribution. The group's coordinator proposed that the members should be given the topics in order to ease the tasks of all members. During the September, the members gave general propositions in regard to the topics of the group, and it was agreed that during October they should give their suggestions within the topic they have been given. Nadina Balagić stressed that IDEA members should mutually exchange the documents related to the debate, and that they should cooperate in applying for projects.

Working group: Governance and Operations – coordinator Andrej Schulcz (SDA – Slovakia)

Nadina Balagić represented CCD within this group's discussion. It was mostly discussed on topic of the mission. All group members felt that it was extremely important to create the text for the mission which will agree with all the IDEA members. The key words should be: arguments, debate, democracy, freedom of speech, young people, and education. It was agreed that the group coordinator will create a draft version of the text which will be sent to the members for analysis. When the text is agreed upon, it will be delivered to IDEA Central Board, who will start the procedure for the amendments to the text of the mission.

Working group: Karl Popper – coordinator Lazar Pop Ivanov (YEF – Macedonia)

Within this group, there was no correspondence in September, because it was agreed that during September all the members who participated in Youth Forum (organized by IDEA) will create propositions of the amendments of Karl Popper debate rules.

Working group – Website – coordinator Stefan Aleksik (YEF - Macedonia)

There was no correspondence within this group during September, because it was agreed after the meeting in Galway that a special poll will be created and distributed to the members. The goal of this poll is to grade the already existing content on the website [www.idebate.org](http://www.idebate.org) as well as creating propositions for new content.

**Remarkable things (quotes, publicity of the event, impact on participants or public, reception, etc):**

Communication among the groups' members was lesser, because most organizations create work plans in September, because that is when the academic year is starting. Besides this, most of the groups' members agreed upon less communication during the meeting in August, in order to summarize the achieved results. More active correspondence was planned for October.

**Lessons learned (if any):** It is very important to increase the volume of communication in the groups in order to achieve the planned results.

Please add 1-3 pictures of the event to the email.

Please provide a link to any video material or photo albums of the event.

Considering that the communication was online, it is not possible to provide photographs or video material from the event.

