

Summary of the NSC Training WG meeting

20 July 2016

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The NSC Training group 5th meeting, held on 20 July 2016, showed good progress in terms of coordination of the ongoing training activities of the NSC projects and initiated a discussion about a new activity of the group. The main points discussed during the meeting included:

- All upcoming events have been documented in the formal NSC Training Subgroup shared database. Announcements about the following events have been made:
 - eNanoMapper is organizing two workshops: NanoEHS workshop focused on data and ontology and Nano modelling workshop to be held in Rheinfelden, Germany respectively on 24 and 25 October, 2016.
 - SUN is co-organizing the SRA Policy Forum: Risk Governance for Key Enabling Technologies to be held on 1- 3 March 2017 in Venice, Italy.
- Georgina Kaklamani suggested to organize a 1-day training workshop aimed at transferring the knowledge from experienced researchers from the NSC to the new generation of young scientists (PhD students, post-docs, etc.). The suggested place for the workshop is Crete, Greece after the First NANoREG conference planned for next year. The organization of the workshop will be further discussed after the official confirmation of the NANoREG conference.
- Danail Hristozov suggested a new activity for the group aimed at boosting the promotion of performed training among the NSC projects. Although one of the most important training supported by the NSC projects is delivered in the form of PhD dissertations, these efforts have not been widely promoted within the NSC. In order to give visibility to this work the group members discussed an agenda for creating a new page on the NSC website dedicated to the graduated and current PhD Students containing brief summary of their PhD theses and short biography. Additional suggestion for compiling this information was to create a PhD Student Compendium and a press release for this activity. The ideas were warmly welcomed by the participants to the call and specific operational tasks within these activities will be further discussed among the group members.

Next Steps

The group members agreed on the following short term agenda:

- Update the upcoming events and contact information in the shared database.
- Create a working plan for developing a new NSC page dedicated to PhD students and PhD Student Compendium.
- Organization of the joint NSC Training Workshop aimed at young researchers.

