LOCLAB EXECUTIVE SUMMARY – STUPINO CONFERENCE

The teams in the Oka-Centre – October 2006 all teams present with the exception of the Georgian team – hindered by the Russian- Georgian dispute



The following points outline in short form the most important conclusions for our further work:

1 State of the art

Quantitative Analysis

- The five teams conducted the planned quantitative surveys in the five case studies.
- The data files have been sent to the Belarus coordinator.
- The joint data file merging the case-specific files is installed and available.

Qualitative Analysis

- The Bulgarian, Polish and Russian team conducted the qualitative investigations according to the case specific needs.

- The Belarus and the Ukrainian team will complete the qualitative parts; the best procedure is to take the qualitative procedure of Siemiatycze (Polish team) as a guideline. It would be excellent to have a similar presentation of Siematycze, Skidel and Chop (the three border- and rural cases).
- The secondary analyses should be included into the qualitative analyses (important data as references and descriptive background).

2 Analysis and procedure

We propose a two level strategy for the further analysis:

A) Joint comparative analysis of quantitative data file

- → The joint and merged data file will be analysed according to the concept of the project and the questionnaire.
- → An outline of the most relevant results of the comparative analysis is sent to all teams containing first interpretations and questions to the teams.

-> This work is done by the task force "comparisons and synthesis": the Swiss, Belarus and Polish team.

→ Each team contributes to the comparative analyses and interpretations on the basis of their case studies, analyses of quantitative as well as qualitative data.

B) Analysis of data and materials of the case studies

→ Each team starts with the analyses and interpretations of the results of the quantitative and qualitative data: a joint guideline for the presentations of the results will be sent to each team at the end of October by the task force "comparisons".

3 Publication and networking

- → The coordinators propose the plan for a joint publication of an international book after the first feedbacks of steps A and B.
- → Each team should carefully plan diffusion and publications strategies according to the country-specific facilities.
- → The diffusion of results should involve local, national or international stakeholders (like in Stupino). Each team is active!
- → One of our final chapter will be "what can/should actors, community leaders or companies do in the different contexts?".
- → The five case studies are inputs into the GOOD_ELEPHANT project and will be communicated to its network.

Next meeting: In contact with the Georgian team we plan the Tbilissi meeting; an additional sponsoring of the meeting is planned (mainly the flights and hotel costs).

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