

Minutes Business Meeting Earli Sig 2  
Comprehension of Text and Graphics  
EARLI SIG2 Munich 2013  
August 28, 2013 18.00 – 19.00

<b>1</b>	<b>Welcome</b>
<b>2</b>	<p><b>Minutes last business meeting SIG2 (Grenoble, August 30, 2012).</b></p> <p>No comments.</p> <p>Many thanks to Mireille Betrancourt for note taking during our SIG meetings.</p>
<b>3</b>	<p><b>Activities at EARLI 2013</b></p> <p>The SIG Dinner will take place tonight at Nostos, a Greek restaurant</p> <p>The SIG 2 Invited symposium on “Assessing learning and comprehension of and with texts and graphics” will take place on Saturday morning, August 31<sup>st</sup>, at 9:00.</p>
<b>4</b>	<p><b>Report on the coordinators meeting</b></p> <p><i>Recent developments (<a href="http://www.earli.org/home">http://www.earli.org/home</a>)</i>  New Journal: “Frontline learning research”  Advanced Study Colloquia  EARLI - Centre for Innovative Research (E-CIR)</p> <p><i>Book series (Mien Segers)</i>  “New perspectives on learning and instruction” (Routledge).  Distinction with journal articles : Focus on changing perspectives in the field. Procedure for submission is online  EARLI Members can download 1 book per year for free</p> <p><i>SIG coordinator guidelines</i>  Archive  Financial Support  2000 Euro for SIG meeting (4000 Euro for joint meetings)  Independent of the number of members.  Extra funding for other activities is possible if approved by EC  Respect deadlines and procedures for asking funding  Free registration for 2 coordinators (or discount for 3 ?)</p> <p>Responsibilities of SIG coordinators  Reviewing for EARLI main conference  Invite additional reviewers  Propose Keynotes  Good scientist AND good speaker  List of past keynotes  Only 20 % outside Europe</p> <p><i>Lingering issues</i>  Election Junior Coordinator  Support  Website  Conference organization  Accounting Service</p> <p><i>Propose Symposium for EARLI Invited slot at AERA</i>  Call in autumn</p>

	<p>Two points are briefly discussed :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The new open access journal “Frontiers in Learning research.” Shaaron Ainsworth encourages the community to submit in this journal that is not indexed yet but will probably soon be if we submit our high quality work. What is considered innovative research? They first check for quality, and then look if it is not yet another twist of a usual model. Difference could be in the way a question is addressed, and so forth.</li> <li>• EARLI slot for AERA. The deadline is the first October and nobody in the room volunteers to organize the symposium that fast (it may be rejected in particular because our SIG 2 was selected recently for AERA in Vancouver).</li> </ul>
<b>5</b>	<b>Coordinator SIG2</b>
	<p>Many many thanks to Katharina Scheiter. She steps down as a coordinator with the audience clapping acknowledgements for the great job done. Huib Tabbers gets elected by acclamation as the new SIG 2 coordinator!</p> <p>Junior coordinator will change in December. A message will be sent to call upon junior applications.</p>
<b>6</b>	<b>Next SIG2 conference 2014</b>
	<p>Invitation to the Special Interest Meeting EARLI SIG-2 “Comprehension of text and graphics“ in August 25-29, 2014 to be held in Rotterdam, The Netherlands. Rotterdam is a wonderful city whose architecture and food will delight the sig 2 delegates. The meeting will be held two days and a half in the last week of August, the Sig 6/7 meeting will be held in the same week in Rotterdam too.</p> <p>The conference format with one track is kept. Any other ideas to have an interactive and fruitful conference?</p> <p>- What about round tables to foster interactions? Maybe, but then we should make sure that people do not walk out during this session, like arrange for seniors to be “appointed discussants” or something.</p> <p>- What about junior researchers? One Junior Researcher said she would appreciate junior events if they do not interfere with the main conference schedule.</p> <p>Topics: way finding for a research career or methodology across fields with experts from different approaches.</p> <p>Social event for juniors: nice idea but maybe not the day before the conference since it implies one more day away.</p> <p>Huib takes all these ideas back home. More information will follow.</p>
<b>7</b>	<b>Open issues</b>
	<p>Katharina Scheiter notices that the fees for the main conf. were up again, making it more expensive than other similar conferences. She is concerned about transparency, increase of EARLI office cost and safety net. She’ll raise the issue in the general assembly.</p>
<b>8</b>	<b>Closing</b>