

Summary research committee for newsletter EADMT February 2020

Introduction:

The research committee met during the GA in Lissabon and will have next (online) meeting in March. As we had some new members attending and others not present at the GA, we started with a little round to introduce ourselves and to present our specific interest in joining the research committee.

It seems that more and more PhD researches are conducted throughout Europe. DMT's already in the midst of a PhD mentioned that it is a somewhat lonely path and therefore much appreciated to share with other DMT's on the progression of the research, but also specific DMT related issues.

DMT's who are planning to start a PhD commented that it would be good to have an opportunity to discuss preliminary ideas and organisational issues with other DMT's.

Both ideas seem to be easy to realise during GA's or EADMT conferences.

Databases for the EADMT website:

Other points that were discussed during the research committee meeting were in line with what had been agreed during previous meetings.

The *literature database* is ready for launch and will appear on the website within short.

The plans for a *theses database* on the EADMT website have been discussed again and there seems to be a way to solve the ethical issues that arise with online publication of personal data. Hopefully we will be able to finalise information for the member associations during our meeting in March. The information letter for the National associations will be send to the EADMT board for final confirmation April. With this timing we hope to reach out to the National associations right in time, so that they can inform the training institutions about this option before end of the study year.

Collaboration with other EADMT working groups:

The research committee will seek close collaboration with the conference committee on the subject op de *science café* during the conferences. We have already collected quite some ideas on potential subjects, organisation and setting for such an event. Hopefully we will be able to arrange with the conference committee for further realisation.

Another point still to discuss with the conference committee is the *procedure for peer review* of the conference submissions. We know from the past that the peer review process is intensive and time consuming, so good organisation is essential to prevent overload for single reviewers and leave enough time for calibration between reviewers.

Finally, it is not easy to organise an EADMT working group over time, we are very happy with the willingness of all our members to participate, catch up and proactively take up tasks. A big thank you to all for constructive collaborations.

With best wishes,

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