

DiPVaC Open Business Meeting  
May 29, 2018, 8:15am Helsinki

**Present:** Chloé Diskin (chair), Gisle Andersen, Liesbeth Degand, Derek Denis (minutes), Mirjam Eiswirth, Péter Furkó, Turo Hiltunen, Joseph Kern, Yael Maschler, Elizabeth Peterson, Heike Pichler, Laura Rupp.

**Agenda:** -Committee constitution  
-Venues & dates for DiPVaC 5 and 6  
-Proceedings -Seminal publications  
-Other business

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**1. Welcome from CD.**

**2. Steering committee membership**

The steering committee welcomes two new members – Joseph Kern (U. Virginia) and Yael Maschler (U. Haifa) – and thanks outgoing members Liesbeth Degand and Stephen Levey!

**3. Announcement of DiPVaC5 and DiPVaC6**

**locations** DiPVaC 5 2020: Melbourne. Hosted by CD.

- Looking for a June date. -At University of Melbourne (centrally located); good flight routes to Australia!
- Later confirmed: 3-5 June 2020.

2022: Location was decided and will be announced at DiPVaC5 in Melbourne. Hosted by PF.

-Probably May. Also good flight routes. CD reminds us that the choice of venues reflects the steering committee's commitment to diversity, in this case geographic and linguistic.

**4. Proceedings of DiPVaC4 A second collected volume of DiPVaC papers** -EP has been approached by Peter Lang and John Benjamins about publishing proceedings of DiPVaC 4 -Discussion was had about whether this should be proceedings of DiPVaC4 or a more general collected volume of DiPVaC papers like the 2016 volume. It was decided that a more general collection would be more desirable, and that a closed call for selected papers from the conference would be circulated.

-Discussion was also had about whether it would be better to package this as an edited volume/book or as a special issue of a journal. It was decided that a special issue would be better though an edited volume through John Benjamins would be a good second option. GA pointed out that John Benjamins is seen as a high tier publisher (at least in the Nordic countries). -EP and JK have volunteered to edit the collection. TH was also mentioned as having interest in being involved in the editing. EP volunteered to write the call for contributions to be made in the early Autumn requesting intention to contribute in October.

-In the mean time the committee will think about appropriate journals

LD: If we get a good journal, it will attract good submissions. HP: We probably want to avoid English-specific journals. ME: Language and Communication? EP/GA: Journal of Pragmatics has recently worked with EP and GA, so they may be DiPVaCed out.

## **5. Other business**

-ME inquired about adding a student section to the DiPVaC website. This was briefly discussed and decided that it might have negative effects (e.g., that it would emphasize a hierarchy that we generally want to minimize). GA suggested that a student representative on the steering committee might be a good way to involve students more directly in the DiPVaC network. -To be put in place at next DiPVaC.

-LD reminded the committee to keep the list of Network members up-to-date and active. It was decided that we must remind conference attendees to update/add their information by contacting the chair. HP emphasized that it is individuals members to keep their information up- to-date. The list itself is quite handy for sending to journal editors seeking reviewers.

**Closing:** 8:48.