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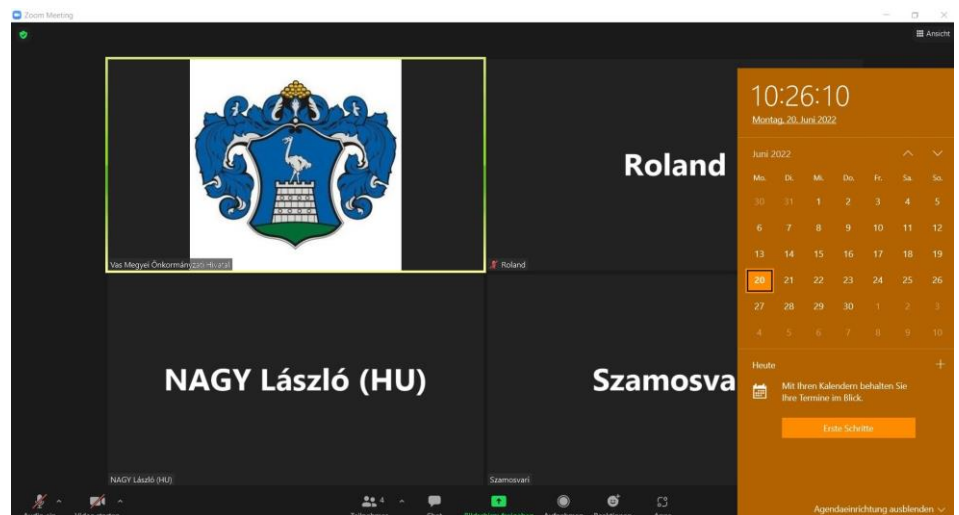
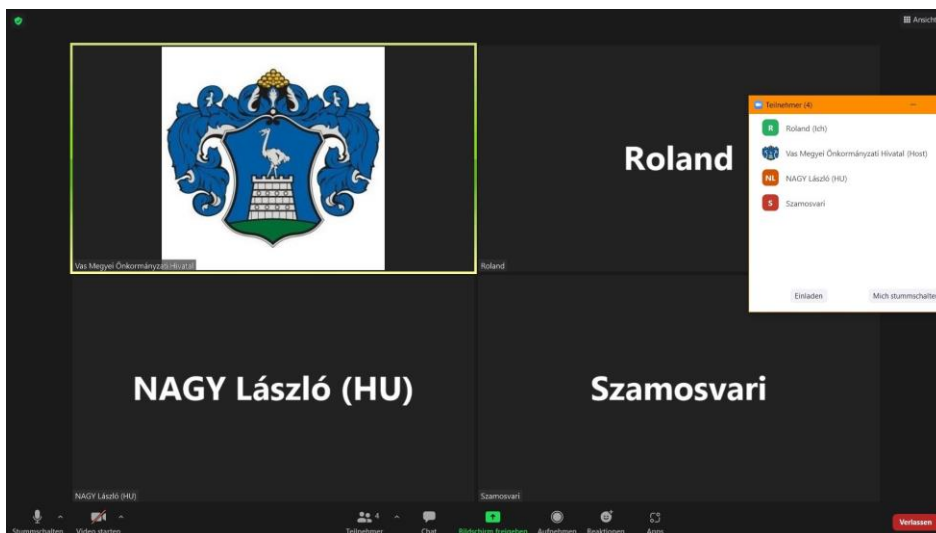
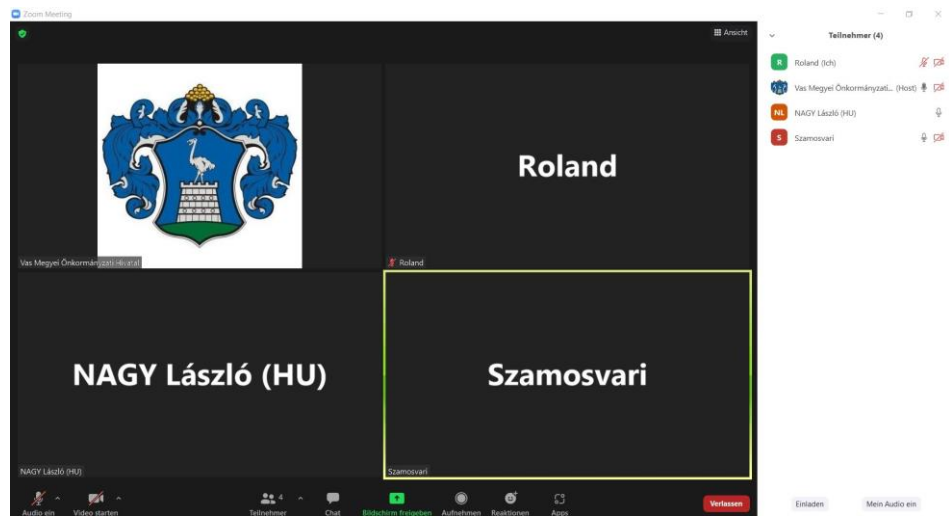
REIN-Forest 12th internal coordination Meeting

Date: 20. June 2022

Time: 10.00 – 11.00 AM

Participants:

- Anita Bálint
- Dr. László Nagy
- Erik Szamosvári
- Roland Molnár



WP Management

Status of the FLC certification and status of project progress report for the 2nd period

Concerning the 1st period: PP3 received the certification last week, but has initiated a reconciliation with the FLC due to the items deducted in the payroll accounting. The reconciliation will be finalised this week and the lead partner will be informed of any eventual need for a recertification. At the request of the lead partner, JS has not yet forwarded the 1st period's project report, although it was already submitted last week.

Concerning the 2nd period: All partner reports were submitted by the determined deadline (30.04.2022). The Lead Partner is thankful for keeping the strict deadlines for submission. All partners have got some request on amendments.

As the lead partner informed the partners, the 2. periodic project level report is under JS review.

WP T1 Implementation of the transfer of the reproductive material (activity A.T1.2) (timetable: procurement of the reproductive material, field works, wild-fence, common management plan etc.)

The LP - as always - requests continuous information on the procurement of reproductive material in form of continuous updates!

Short remarks in the case of PP2:

- in case of SOE-ERTI, the Hungarian partners discussed the problems related to the procurement of reproductive material in a separate meeting prior to the present meeting. SOE-ERTI confirmed that the preparation of the areas has concluded, "only" the planting of the reproductive material is yet to be done. Preparations for the construction of the animal fence are already underway. The lead partner drew PP2's attention to the perusal of the eligibility handbook and the procurement guidelines (procurement rules specified for the Hungarian partners) issued by the FLC, to make sure eligibility of the fence installation.

Short remarks in the case of PP3:

- reproductive material: 4.000 pieces have been already delivered, others are booked, and waiting for final confirmation (will be reviewed by Erik during this week)

- start of planting as it was indicated last time: October 2022. Preparation of demonstration is almost ready. Procurement for the external services on the demonstration fields is to be prepared (e.g.: animal fence).
- no risks can be seen in connection with the implementation so far!

Preparation of the common management plan

- As agreed on the last meeting of the partners, the SOE ERTi have prepared a structural draft of the management plan. As the next step the BFW will review the the document and send feedbacks. The common structure should be compiled by PP2 & PP3 no later than the 31th of July. The (bilingual) management plan will be ready no later than the middle of October.
- as discussed earlier, a contract with the owners of each demonstration site is required as a condition of project approval. The Austrian partner has some templates for it. On the Hungarian side this task (unlike the drafting of the letter of intent) cannot be prepared by the LP. The SOE ERTI will work out a draft version with the strategic partners. The preparation of the contract should run in parallel with the preparation of the management plan. The lead partner requests PP2 and PP3 to pay extra attention to the administrative/legal preparation of the contracts (in the past, some declaration of intents took several months to be signed) and to have the contracts signed by the end of the project!

Others (date of the next meeting, etc.)

The LP briefly reported on two of its ongoing activities:

- all events are implemented on the Hungarian side. The LP thanked for the contribution of the SOE-ERTI in regards of their professional support,
- the exercise book was prepared last month. Distribution is in progress (between PPs, schools, sectoral organisations (e.g.: botanic gardens), PP2 will receive another 15 pcs. PP3 received their own contingent and ensure Austrian distribution.
- the content development is ongoing with the involvement of teachers. PPs will receive the materials for review before the draft is finalised (September 2022),
- educational film (2): the biggest challenge is to "capture" the youth's attention for 10 minutes (nowadays 30-60 seconds is typical for a video circulating between young people). The concept is that a cyclist is speeding along a downhill track around Sopron and is stunned by one or the other natural "wonder". The script is being written. The PPs will receive the script for review.



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The BFW (PP3) briefly reported on two of its ongoing activities:

- the dates of all the events planned in the project have been determined. For the series of workshops targeted at the general public, speakers and exact topics were agreed upon. The school events will be held next week. BFW has confirmed that all events will be held in Lower Austria, as set in the application!

As a result of the discussion of the PPs, the date of the next meeting is scheduled for September 2022.

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