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INDUCT NEWSLETTER

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WELCOME TO INDUCT!

Welcome to the first INDUCT newsletter. These will inform project collaborators, stakeholders and interested members of the community about the content and development of INDUCT. INDUCT was launched in March 2016 and is now well under way. The kick-off meeting took place in April in Nottingham, UK, followed almost a month later by an Interview Event in London, UK for the final phase of the selection process for the new ESRs. This newsletter therefore focuses on these two events. We hope you enjoy reading this issue, and welcome any feedback via the contact information at the end of the last page.

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PROJECT LAUNCH EVENT 18-19 APRIL 2016 NOTTINGHAM

On 18-19 April 2016, the University of Nottingham was pleased to host the kick-off meeting for the INDUCT project.

INDUCT members from host institutions and collaborating organizations attended and contributed to the event. The



project officially started on 1 March 2016. The kick-off meeting welcomed all the project members and facilitated their engagement with all the different partners within each work package. Attendees had the opportunity to discuss the grant regulations, work packages' development, future training activities, research impact, stakeholder involvement and project management. Attendees also had the opportunity to network, share experiences, expectations, ask questions, and plan future activities. They provided wonderful feedback about the event and considered it to be a very productive start. We all left the meeting feeling well-motivated for future activities!

'It was great sharing these two days with the group, working hard on the project and feeling that we are all heading in the same direction' (Antonio Garcia Casal, IDES/INTRAS-Spain)

'It was definitely a successful start' (Frans Verhey, MU-NL, Training Coordinator, ESR9/10 supervisor)



INTERVIEW EVENT 12-13 MAY 2016 LONDON

On 12-13 May 2016, the INDUCT consortium hosted ESR candidates and stakeholders at the INDUCT Interview Event in London.

INDUCT project supervisors and members of the management team were pleased to meet candidates for the 15 INDUCT ESR posts. Attendees were also delighted to meet stakeholders from voluntary organizations who shared their experiences and views about being involved in research.

On the first day a series of presentations were given by the INDUCT members. Candidates had the opportunity to ask questions, share their expectations, and to chat with potential project supervisors. Professor Justine Schneider spoke about the importance of carrying out a fair and equal interview process, respecting diversity and equality among candidates. Professor Iva Holmerova spoke about ethical aspects involved in research with people with dementia and ethic procedures



which should be respected throughout INDUCT. The participation by carers and a person living with dementia was extremely valued by the applicants, who had the opportunity to learn more about the importance of involving people with dementia and their family carers in research.

The second day of the event was dedicated to individual interviews. Applicants were interviewed by their supervisors, members of the management team, and second level partners. Carers of people with dementia also contributed to deciding on relevant criteria and aspects which should be considered during the interviews. At the end of the day, we were pleased to be able to select 15 highly motivated and experienced new ESRs who will be responsible for carrying out different projects across the INDUCT collaborating institutions.

THE NEXT STEPS...

The 15 ESRs are now being officially enrolled with their respective Host Institutions and are expected to start work on their research projects on 1 September 2016. Training activities led by Professor Frans Verhey and Dr. Inge Klinkenberg will start at about the same time.

The first INDUCT School, when all the INDUCT members will meet again, is planned for January 2017 in Maastricht. The European Working Group of People with Dementia (EWGPWD) will be involved in this event, together with several other Second Level Partners.

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