

- 1. Welcome and introduction by prof. Luk Van Langenhove, BACES-chair
- 2. Presentation of the 4 thematic clusters by the coordinators (each 8')
  - -presentation of the aim of the cluster, the available expertise and the team. First steps in the way forward and activities that are planned or envisaged.
- 3. Overview of planned activities 2017
  - -all members around the table can give an overview of planned activities
- 4. Presentation of BACES website
  - -Ms. Kim Hardie presents the BACES website. Explanation of the use of the login.
  - -Discussion on how to make the website more vibrant: articles on activities, pictures, announcement of events, ...
  - -The website should become the basis for:
  - ° BACES flyers, which are updated annually: a pamphlet to distribute during events and another, more elaborate one, for potential new partners and to attract external funding, a.o.
  - o a popular annual report to show the activities of the past year
- 5. status of the BACES scholarship programme
  - -Ms. Xioahong Tong will comment on the status
  - -Discussion on the new applications for Ma and PhD scholarships
  - -Tuition fee waiver policy
  - -double diploma PhD with RUC, SCU and FUU
- 6. BACES annual report (final version)
  - -the annual report is now aligned with the calendar year (July 2015 + 2016)
    -a preliminary report was presented during last BACES meeting. The activities
  - of second half of 2016 are added.
- 7. status of the BACES budget
- 8. (potential) new Affiliated Partners
  - -overview of partners that are invited to join BACES
- 9. AOB Q&A