M 11
Project Management and Scientific Coordination

- Project Seminar in Winter Term 2013/2014 -

Draft Schedule

16.10.2013 09:15 - 10:00 S 21, GEO	**First Meeting**

- » What is the course about
- » Introduction and discussion of tasks
- » Taking charge of the projects & timeline

Signal Praxis Meeting

XX.11.2013	» Presentation of the SIGNAL project – theory and praxis
Time	» Questions and discussion
Room t.b.a	» Planting mesocosms (optional)

XX.01.2013 **Reflection Meeting I**
- » Groups XYZ present their result and reflect the work process

XX.01.2013 **Reflection Meeting II**
- » Groups XYZ present their result and reflect the work process

XX.01.2013 **Reflection Meeting III**
- » Groups XYZ present their result and reflect the work process

Credit points are gained for...

Passive part:
- » presence and discussion in plenary meetings

Active part:
- » work in the group to prepare a product (specified below for each of the tasks)
- » reflecting and presenting the work process to the plenary

Tasks may be split or merged according to the needs of the group.

Task 1	Dissemination: Designing a policy brief
	Preparation of a first science policy briefing for SIGNAL: a 2-4-page DIN A4 brochure directed at politicians / decision makers in different fields (see tasks 2-4). Examples from other BiodivERsA projects: http://www.biodiversa.org/501
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In charge	

Task 2	Dissemination: Who is who in agricultural policy
	• - Identify institutions and key persons (European and national level) • - Identify decisions and policies for which SIGNAL results could be relevant • - Which SIGNAL topics are reflected somehow, which not?
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Task 3	Dissemination: Who is who climate change policy
	• - Identify institutions and key persons (European and national level) • - Identify decisions and policies for which SIGNAL results could be relevant • - Which SIGNAL topics are reflected somehow, which not?
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Task 4	Dissemination: Who is who biodiversity policy
	• - Identify institutions and key persons (European and national level) • - Identify decisions and policies for which SIGNAL results could be relevant • - Which SIGNAL topics are reflected somehow, which not?
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Task 5	Science & Dissemination: Reaching the German community
	Write a manuscript for a German Article about the rationale and goals of SIGNAL. Potential journals: „Natur und Landschaft", „Naturschutz und Landschaftsplanung", one of the German agricultural journals (see http://www.zeitschriftenlinks.de/agrar-zeitschriften.html) • For this task native German speakers are needed • Team works together with Task 1! • Several journals if task is taken over by more than one person
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Task 6	Science: Review article investigation
	Prepare a review of land use practices in European grasslands (spatial extent, temporal development, types of land use, management practices, fertilisation, and yield) using Web of Science, EU and country statistics. The result is a structured compilation of material for the review article (maps, data; and sources).
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Task 7	Science & Web communication Drafting a knowledge web portal
	The SIGNAL team has promised a "Resilience knowledge web portal" (delivery D.6.04). What is the structure and content of other knowledge web portals and what structure and content do you suggest for SIGNAL? Some examples of knowledge web portals: http://www.neobiota.de/; http://amphibiaweb.org/; http://forests.org/ • If there are more interested participants, this task can be split into one part dealing with the content and one dealing with the structure and online implementation
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Task 8	Web communication: SIGNAL homepage
	The SIGNAL homepage needs to be looked through from top to bottom to improve its content and functionality. Take part in the homepage quality management! • Integration of Task 7 into the SIGNAL homepage as well as better integration of SIGNAL into the homepage of the working group Disturbance Ecology can also be considered
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