DDI Alliance Executive Board Meeting
August 22, 2016

Present: Bill Block, Louise Corti, Maggie Levenstein, Jared Lyle, Steve McEachern, Achim Wackerow

Alliance leadership

a. Reviewed Dagstuhl travel funding requests. The Board approved all requests.

Budget update

a) Reviewed budget forecast, especially in context of the FY 17 special requests:
   i) Programmers -- Need to outsource some of the technical work to paid programmers since not all volunteers have time anymore.
   ii) Project Manager for DDI4
b) Discussed scenarios for fulfilling requests, including allocating funds for programming and project management while still maintaining a reserve. Determined the need to first review the Moving Forward project progress and deliverables, as well as determine next steps, before proceeding with funding project management. Will review Moving Forward during the November call.

Strategic Plan

a) Reviewed strategic plan 2017-20 timeline and next steps:
   i) Environmental scan - member survey (October 2016)
   ii) Executive Board to draft review of Alliance vision and mission (December 2016)
   iii) Feedback from members and community (February 2017)
   iv) Executive Board to draft and circulate key strategic goals and action plan (April 2017)
   v) Present, review, and approve plan at Annual Meeting of Members (IASSIST 2017)

b) Will discuss in detail during the next call.

Moving Forward Project (DDI4)

a) Reviewed upcoming Sprints
   i) Dagstuhl, week one (October 17-21)
   ii) Dagstuhl, week two (October 24-28)
Marketing and Promotion update

a. **Transparency Initiative** – Steve and Jared contacted the leadership of the TI and discussed the opportunity for mutual endorsements, as well as workshops and webinars with AAPOR.

Training Group update

a. Introductory video/rolling presentation
b. Webinars

Future Agenda items

1. Review the Moving Forward project (early November).

Placeholders

a) Election to fill open Executive Board seat (was David Schiller’s seat).
b) Arofan Gregory will represent the DDI Alliance at the Workshop on Implementing Standards for Statistical Modernisation in Geneva, Switzerland on 21-23 September 2016.
c) Achim Wackerow will represent the DDI Alliance and present on "DDI and Its Role on Modernising Official Statistics in the Post-2015 Development Period" at the Organisation of Islamic Cooperation Statistical Commission meeting in Turkey on 5-6 November.

Next Call:
27 September - 4pm EDT, 9pm London, 10pm Mannheim
28 September - 6am Canberra