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Current status of activities/priorities of last CoP to concentrate on Logistics

University of Le Havre has decided to create a "Campus logistique" or "Logistics campus". ISEL (Institut Supérieur d'Études Logistiques) will be the kingpin and spinal column of this campus that will combine teaching (from bachelor up to master degree and postgraduate studies) and research on logistics at University of Le Havre in addition to firm incubators. This campus is meant to be closely related with the local and national professionals from the logistics area, combining academics expertise and organizational needs.

Through collaborative knowledge and networks, ISEL aims at being a national resource center across the logistics and supply chain sector.

This campus will do his best to share experience, knowledge, academics with the GU8 (soon GU10) partners ISEL is already working with (with the project of a "Global Research Centre" at RMIT, for instance). It is obvious that this collaboration is open to all other members accordingly to the last CoP decision to concentrate on logistics.

Propositions to improve efficiency

1. Create common documents for student exchange

- A common application form

The document could be available in a downloads section of the GU8 website and on individual university sites

- A list of available courses in the 4 priority areas

The suggestion is that each university makes a list of all courses available for students participating in the exchange programme. The list is limited to the priority areas of cooperation of the consortium. Possible items of information for each course: exact title, level, language of instruction. The compiled information could be available for students and staff on the GU8 website

- A learning agreement

- An academic calendar

The academic calendar of all ten universities should be available on the GU8 web site. A procedure for updating the document has to be imagined

2. Create a collaborative work space with restricted access for administrative staff

The space could feature:

- File and picture uploading
- File and picture downloading
- A forum (for questions, discussions and possibly sharing and producing documents)

The suggestion is to centralize all useful information for administrative purposes on a single space. All 10 universities should be able to use or refer to documents and information available to them. Possible items:

- University **logos** (for use on websites, conference programmes etc.),
- **Contacts:** University addresses and contacts (level of president), faculty addresses and contact person in priority areas, name of service in charge of student exchange, contact person and role,
- **Marking schemes and credit transfer system.** Each university could write short description of their marking / grading scheme and credit transfer system. The material should be available in the administrative work space.