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The ACT Co-creation Toolkit

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The Toolkit (available online as well as printed)

- consists of four theoretical pillars: CoP success factors; CoP Lifecycle Phases, Four Main Areas of CoP Activity and EIGE GEP Steps

- provides participatory methods selected based on the theoretical pillars and to support CoPs in:
    - Team-building
    - Generating and sharing ideas & knowledge
    - Consensus building
    - Project planning and implementation
    - Sustainability

+ printable templates for the methods

- includes instructions for Visual Methods (Infographics, Photo documentation and Storyboards)

- Information on the online tools provided for the CoPs (Polls, Video meetings, File sharing etc.)

Who is the Toolkit for?

The Toolkit has been primarily designed for the ACT CoPs and their Facilitators working towards Gender Equality.

However, it can also be of interest for:

• CoPs working in other domains

• Networks, groups, working communities etc. trying to boost their collaboration

• People aiming at setting up or advancing their CoP

Why using the Toolkit?

- The Toolkit provides support for CoPs to operate, develop, implement GEPs, GE measures and activities, and facilitate institutional change in relation to GE in HE and R&I

- It provides support for new forms of virtual collaboration

- Its methods increase participation and facilitates the inclusion of diverse perspectives

- It supports the exchange of knowledge, experience and insight by facilitating participation of different actors

- The provided information and tips boost collaboration and knowledge exchange which leads to progress and higher impact of the work of CoPs

- It supports CoPs to continue their work virtual without loosing togetherness and commitment

Co-creation in virtual meetings

- Face-to-face meetings are not always possible for a number of reasons

- The importance of virtual cooperation was once again highlighted by Covid-19

- The Toolkit therefore provides a section on virtual collaboration providing
  - General tips and tricks
  - Information on and adaptation of the methods for online use
  - Suggestions of web-based applications
  - Things to consider when converting a meeting into a virtual meeting

Thank you very much