Executive report

- Terri

  - review of actions & accomplishments since last AGM
**Actions**

- **Michelle**: place linkout to GOBLET on ISCB Education pages
- **Terri**: write to Niklas by March ‘15 seeking ELIXIR membership in GOBLET ✗
- **ELIXIR members**: repeatedly urge ELIXIR membership in GOBLET
- **Allegra**: upload presentation on GOBLET to portal
- **Manny**: provide Twitter access to Francis & Terri
- **Javier**: follow-up with SolBio membership ✓
- **Erik**: compile welcome package for Fran to give to new members ✗
- **Fran**: post on GOBLET a list of mailing lists & their use ✗
- **Cath**: look into list of BTN contributors to see if legal (privacy issues) to share list with GOBLET
- **Fran**: introduce Celia to David Searls ✓
- **Fran**: invite David Searls to be an individual member ✓
- **Celia**: help Marie-Claude set up high-school teacher survey on website ✓
Actions

• **Cath:** ask Lonnie if curriculum implementation grant can be shared
• **Erik:** update new logo to add back the DNA helix aspects ✔
• **Erik:** confirm whether GOBLET has full rights over this logo ✔
• **Rafael:** share SASI topic ontology with GOBLET ✔
• **Manny:** add ‘Contributor’ category to list of Drupal requirements ✔
• **Rafael:** add ‘Contributor’ category & privileges to website ✔
• **Michelle:** generate process for hiring, hosting & reporting of interns ✔
• **Manny, Nicky:** list the reporting structure, salary, benefits, invoicing schedule, h/w & seating requirements, job description, skill-set & task-list prior to hiring the tech & admin interns ✔
• **Nicky:** plan dates & schedule for the 2015 AGM ✔
• **Exec:** determine pricing structure so members from 3rd-world & middle-income countries can join GOBLET
Actions

- **Exec:** determine a process whereby other training programs can seek GOBLET endorsement
- **All:** push out information about GOBLET to contacts & add GOBLET logo to home websites
- **Patricia, Cath, Javier:** to prepare AKES session for ISMB2015 on *Best Practices & Tips for Training in Bioinformatics* ✔
- **Patricia:** write grant to support GOBLET Train-the-Trainer events & new trainer sponsorship to attend such events
- **Nicky, intern, all:** organise a GOBLET Train-the-Trainer event associated with the 2015 AGM ✔
- **All:** complete 1st draft of the *State of the Field in Bioinformatics Training Needs* by December 22, 2014 in Google Docs ✔
- **Javier:** build ‘Bioinformatics Training’ survey in website (based on versions already used), to allow launch of surveys next year in certain regions (e.g., Latin America) ✔
Accomplishments

• GOBLET in the news
  – EMBnet.digest, Nov 2014
  – SEBULLETIN, Fall 2014
  – ELIXIR eNews, April 2015
  – EMBnet.digest, May 2015
Accomplishments

- Papers


The GOBLET Consortium


GOBLET: the Global Organisation for Bioinformatics Learning, Education & Training

PLoS CB, April 9, 2015 DOI: 10.1371/journal.pcbi.1004143


A global perspective on bioinformatics training needs

To be submitted.
Accomplishments

• GOBLET in the blogosphere…
Accomplishments

- ISMB 2015, July, Dublin
  - education workshop
    - Unlocking the ‘super teacher’ inside you
      - Patricia, Javier, Gabriella, Annette, Dave, Francis...
    - AKES06
      - How to navigate a bioinformatics career path
        - Manuel, CoBE COSI (Fran, Terri), Michelle, Nicky, Cath...
  - education poster
  - subsequently published in F1000Research
    - http://f1000research.com/posters/4-328
GOBLET
Global Organisation for Bioinformatics Learning, Education & Training

Empowering people, harnessing communities, networking networks

GOBLET was established in 2012 by a group of international & national societies & networks to offer an umbrella for bioinformatics, bioeducation, bioinformatics & computational biology learning, education & training.

BECOME A MEMBER – EXPERIENCE THE ADVANTAGES

Membership benefits

• Access to a community of bioinformatics, bioeducation, bioinformatics & computational biology learning, education & training.
• A collaborative environment in which to support new learning, education & training initiatives.
• Access to its international training meetings.
• Opportunities to shape its training strategies.
• Opportunities to influence its policies & action plans.

Publications


ABOUT US

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Accomplishments

• The Computational Biology Education COSI – CoBE
  – Fran, Lonnie Welch, Terri
Accomplishments

• GOBLET-ELIXIR joint training strategy, April
  – Terri, Celia, Patricia, Eija, Allegra…
Accomplishments

• GOBLET-ELIXIR e-learning workshop, September, Slovenia
  – Patricia, Brane, Terri, Celia, Eija, Sarah, Pedro...

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**e-Learning White paper - titled to be defined**

1. Abstract
This white paper summarises the flow of information and outcomes generated during the workshop "EURO/GOBLET workshop: defining an e-learning lingua franca" held in Ljubljana, Slovenia, on 15-17 September 2015. This document provides an overview of e-learning approaches and their applications used internationally and within ELIXIR and GOBLET. These approaches are briefly described in order to facilitate the ease of comparison, the understanding of their respective strengths and weaknesses. This exercise was intended to, and to define a common e-learning ‘language’ to facilitate communication within and between the GOBLET and ELIXIR trainer communities. The outcomes of the workshop will be summarised in a draft white paper, describing the various, and providing recommendations for their use.

2. Introduction
Within ELIXIR and GOBLET, there are many different views and understandings of what e-learning actually is. Examples of so-called 'e-learning' systems include Massive Open Online Courses (MOOCs), such as those provided by Coursera, Udacity, edX or MIT OpenCourseWare; platforms for uploading and hosting course materials, such as that provided by GOBLET; platforms to harvest and link course materials together, such as in TuSS; and learning management systems (LMS), like Moodle, to name but a few. All of these can and have been brought together under the banner of 'e-learning'; however, they do not necessarily mean the same thing from user, developer or content-provider perspectives. To help the ELIXIR and GOBLET trainer communities work together
Accomplishments

- GOBLET NGS Course, 3-6 November, Brazil
  - Michelle & Patricia
• **Grants applied for**
  - Wellcome Trust DELTAS – Nicky
    - requested GOBLET post
  - Marie Sklodowska-Curie Innovative Training Networks – Anton Feenstra
    - Viral Learning
  - COST Action – Susanne Hollmann

• **Harmonising standardisation strategies to increase efficiency & competitiveness of European life-science research (CHARME)**
Accomplishments

• **Other income**
  
  – EMBnet €25,000
    
    • ‘life-time’ (10-year) membership
    
    • ring-fenced ‘donation’ to produce GOBLET-branded materials
      
      – hire an ‘education assistant’ for 2 years
      
      – ...

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Coming soon...

- **GOBLET-ELIXIR joint workshops**
  - Gabriella...
    - hackathon for metagenomics training materials, DK, April 2016

- **GOBLET presence at ISMB16**
  - Fran...
    - Orlando, FL (USA), July 2016

- **GOBLET presence at ECCB16**
  - Celia...
    - The Hague (NL), September 2016

- **GOBLET AGM 2016**
  - ???, November 2016

- **GOBLET-branded products**
  - Terri...
GOBLET’s raison d’être

• **Ultimate vision**
  – to provide support for bioinformatics training world-wide
  – to reach out to the next generation of bioinformaticians
  – to produce high-quality GOBLET-branded materials & courses
  – to help drive up the quality of *ad hoc* training courses
  – to become the professional body for bioinformatics training

• **Stepping stones**
  – to disseminate the results of our work effectively
  – to demonstrate the value of working with us
  – to procure funding
  – to expand the GOBLET community (increase membership)
  – to collaborate with like-minded organisations & initiatives
  – to hire an assistant(s)
Conclusion

• Another incredibly busy year
  – we’ve achieved a lot
    • but there’s always more to be do!
• Huge thanks to all who’ve mucked in!
  – a plea to you all to help build on this foundational work
    • help to spread the word…
Thanks for your dogged attention!

Questions?