

SIG RETHINKING PLAY

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2014 REPORT

In the last Sig meeting in Crete conference 2014, Elly Singer and Bert van Oers retreated as convenors of the Sig and Maritta Hannikainen proposed Sofia Avgitidou for the post of Sig convenor and all members agreed. Maritta kept the post of co-convenor.

In the Crete meeting we recorded the members research interests on play and encouraged research co-operation. We also agreed to create a website and also keep in touch through mail. We sent the minutes of this meeting to all Sig members (about forty academics and researchers).

Sofia created a website: <https://rethinkingplay.wordpress.com/about/> and asked members to join in.

For the Barcelona conference Sofia and Maritta collected all the titles of papers that Sig members wanted to submit to the conference and tried to categorize these ideas and suggested members to group them into thematic symposia regarding play.

To our knowledge more than 15 papers have been submitted to Barcelona conference regarding SIG Rethinking play from different countries as well as symposia, representing an international discussion on rethinking play.