



E-CONS NETWORK **EVALUATION OF THE THIRD MEETING OF THE** **E-CONS NETWORK (Comenius3) - CONTACT SEMINAR**

From the 9th to the 12th of May 2007 the European School of Consumers of the Government of Cantabria (coordinator institution, as representative of the Spanish Network of Consumer Education, of the Thematic Network of Consumer Education E-CONS Comenius 3) has organized the Third Meeting of the E-CONS Network – Contact Seminar Comenius.

80 representatives of the field of consumer affairs (consumer associations, teachers, public and private institutions) from the following European countries have participated in this Meeting:

- Spain: the Autonomous Communities of Andalucía, Asturias, Cantabria, Castilla-La Mancha, Comunidad Valenciana, Extremadura, Madrid, Navarra and Comunidad Vasca.
- The rest of the European countries: Czech Republic, Belgium, Bulgaria, France, Greece, Italy, Latvia, Lithuania, Poland, Portugal, Slovakia, Slovenia and United Kingdom.

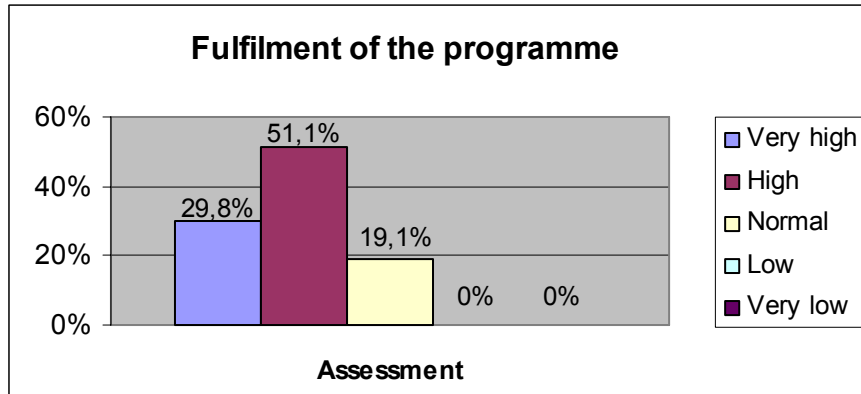
At the end of the Seminar, each participant received an evaluation questionnaire to assess the participants' level of satisfaction of various aspects.

The Meeting was held together with the CCN Network (Consumer Citizenship Network – Erasmus3), especially in some social events and during the speeches of the 10th May in the morning.

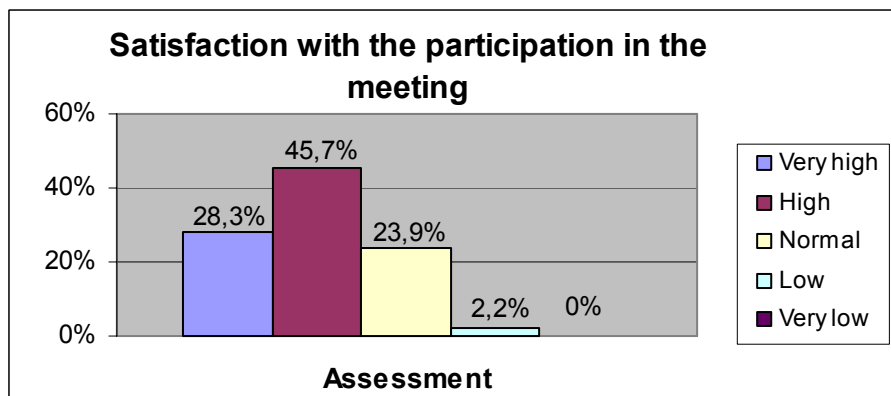
However, after the evaluation of the questionnaires and the results observed in situ, we would like to point out that the realization together with CCN has not been that positive as expected. The results of the evaluations are poorer than in the previous meetings. The speakers proposed by CCN did not have the acceptance as the speakers of the previous meetings. They have been judged as too theoretical and, in some cases, as only few consumerists. Furthermore, there was no possibility to exchange experiences with them.

Nevertheless, we think that it is always positive to bring closer networks and, in this aspect, the organization thinks that the meeting of the networks CCN and E-CONS has been positive.

The results of these questionnaires are as follows:

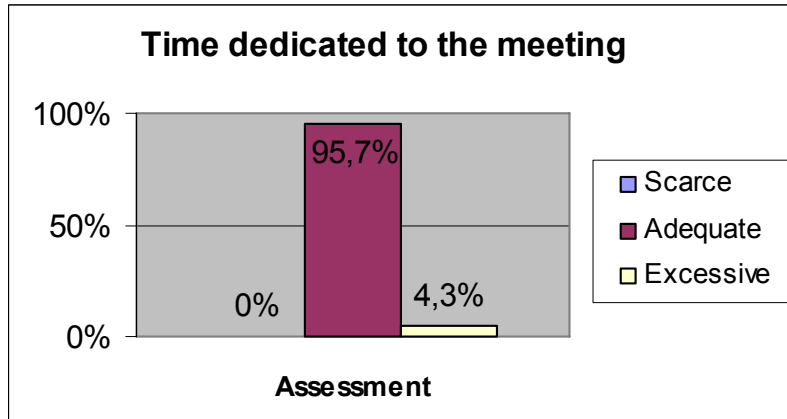


With respect to the level of fulfilment of the programme, all participants think that the programme has been fulfilled; 80,9% of the Meetings' participants have evaluated it as "High" or "Very high" and 19,1% as "Normal". Nobody has evaluated it as "Low" or "Very low".

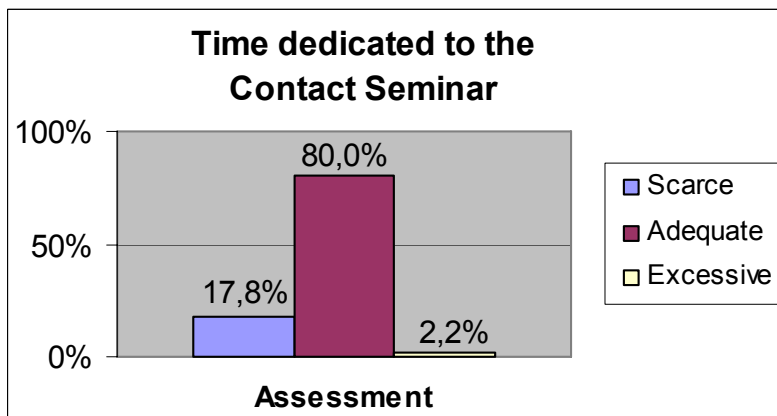


Most participants have been satisfied with their assistance at the Meeting: because they could exchange experiences, get to know new projects and works, find partners for their own projects, see elaborated materials and obtain ideas for themselves and future activities.

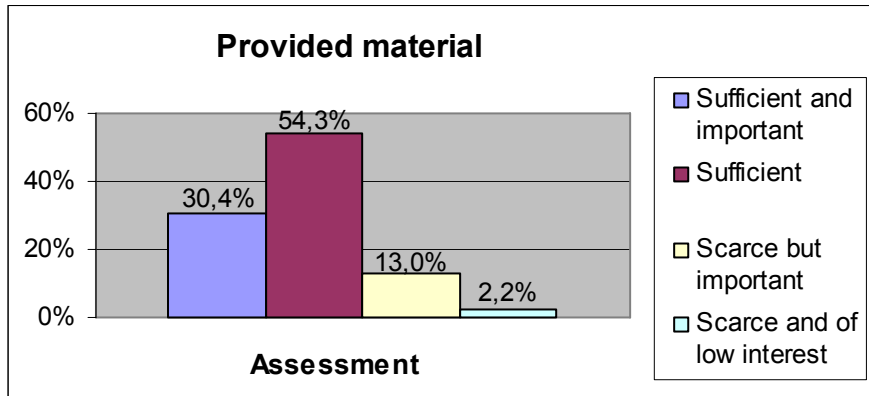
74% of the participants say that their satisfaction with the participation in the Meeting has been "High" or "Very high". 23,9% think it has been "Normal" and only 2,2% "Low".



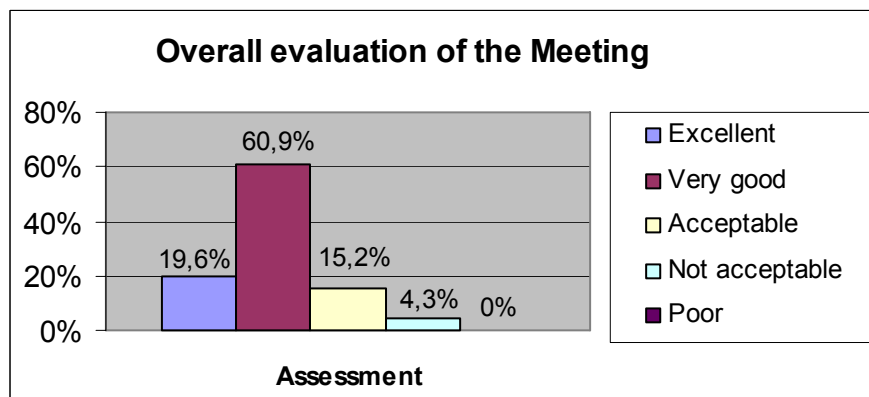
95,7% of the participants think that the time dedicated to the Meeting has been adequate and 4,3% think that the time has been excessive.



80% of the participants think that the time dedicated to the Contact Seminar has been adequate. 17,8% say it would have been better to have more time to meet more people and exchange knowledge and experiences. 2,2% think that the time has been excessive.



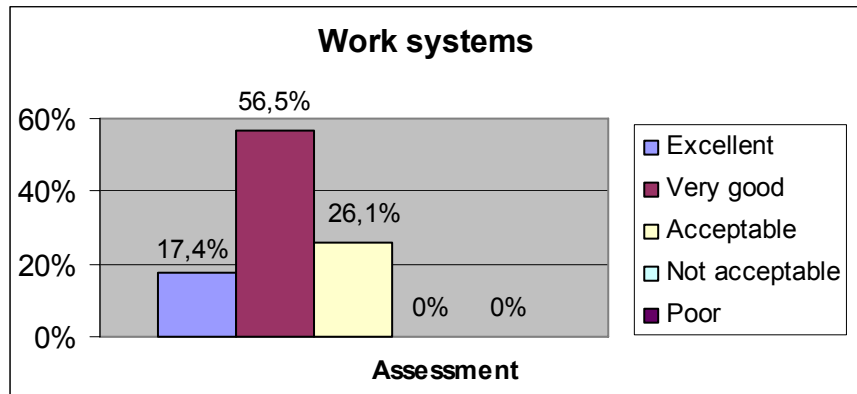
84,7% of the participants believe that the material provided at the beginning of the Meeting has been “Sufficient and important” or “Sufficient”. 13% think that it has been important but they had prefer to get more material and 2,2% think that the provided material has not been sufficient and of low interest.



In general aspects, 80,5% of the participants evaluate the Meeting as “Excellent” (19,6%) and “Very good” (60,9%). 15,2% evaluate the Meeting as “Acceptable” and 4,3% as “Not acceptable”.

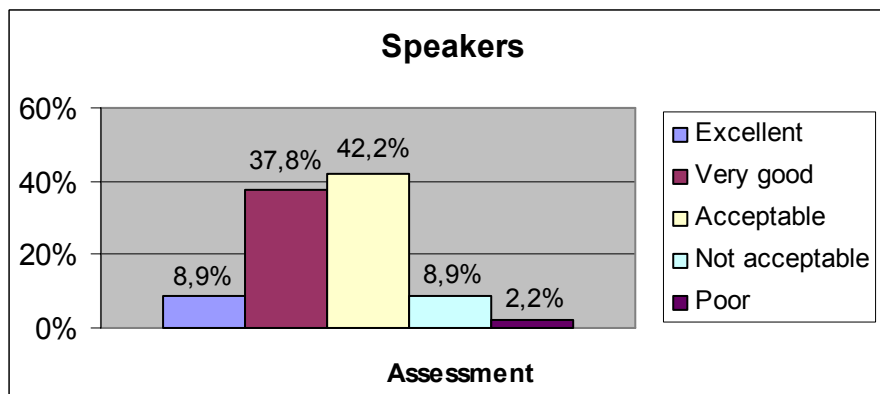
How do you evaluate the following aspects of the Meeting?

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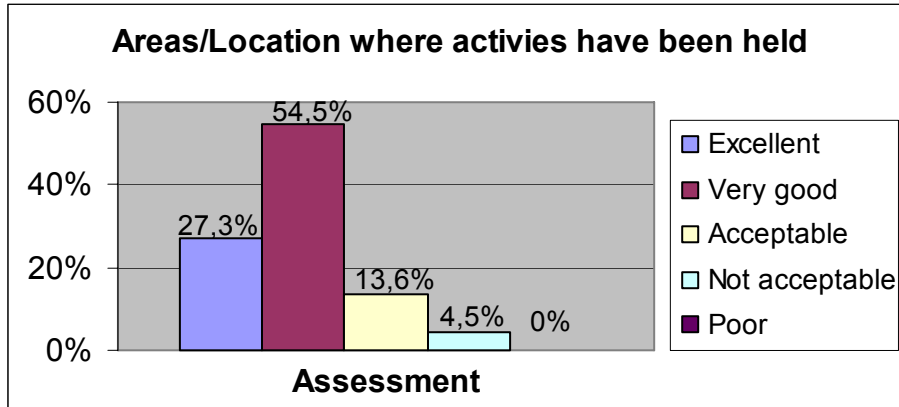
As to the work systems during the Meeting consisting of speeches and work groups, all the participants think it was adequate. 17,4% evaluate it with “Excellent”, 56,5% with “Very good” and 26,1% with “Acceptable”. Nobody thinks it was “Not acceptable” or “Poor”.

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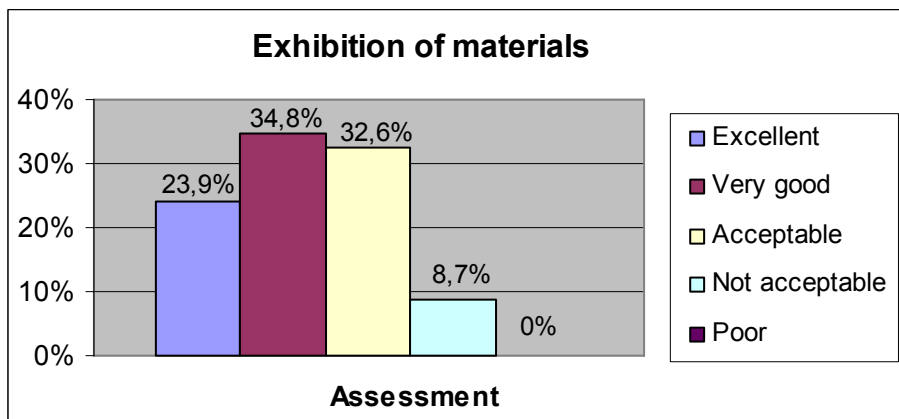
88,9% of the participants show a great satisfaction with the selection of the speakers. 8,9% of the speakers have received an “Excellent”, 37,8% a “Very good” and 42,2% an “Acceptable”. 8,9% evaluate them as “Not acceptable” and 2,2% as “Poor”.

3.



The activities have been held in the meeting rooms of the Hotel Rodina in Sofia. 81,8% of the participants have evaluated the location as very positive – 27,3% as “Excellent” and 54,5% as “Very good”. 13,6% think it was “Acceptable” and 4,5% “Not acceptable”.

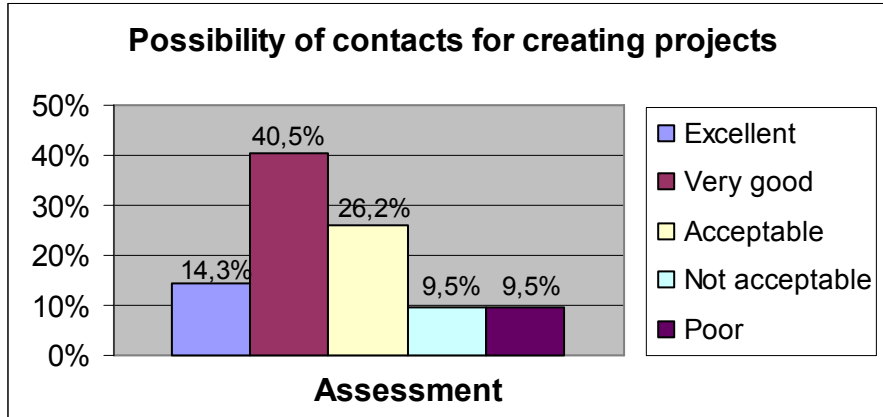
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All materials sent to the Meeting have been exhibited in one meeting room of the Hotel Rodina.

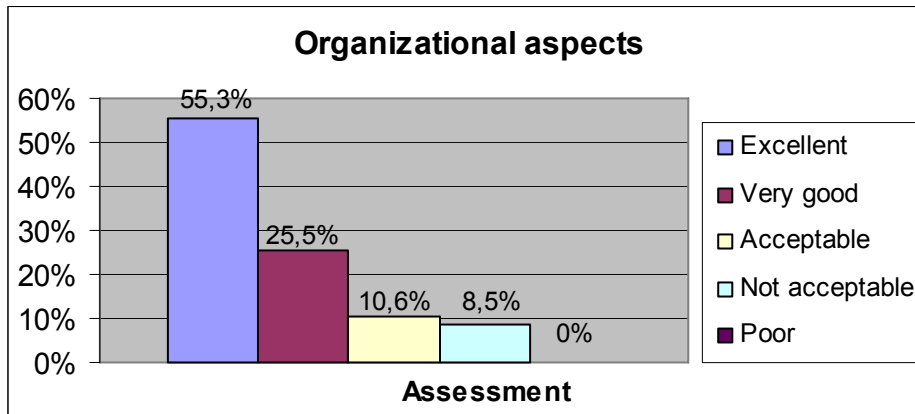
This exhibition has been evaluated positively by 91,3% of the participants. 23,9% has evaluated it as “Excellent”, 34,8% as “Very good” and 32,6% as “Acceptable”. 8,7% think that it was “Not Acceptable”. Nobody thinks it was “Poor”.

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81% of the participants evaluate positively the possibility of creating contacts during the Meeting as well as in the work groups. 14,3% of them think it was “Excellent”, 40,5% say it was “Very good” and 26,2% “Acceptable”. 9,5% have considered it as “Not acceptable” and 9,5% as “Poor”.

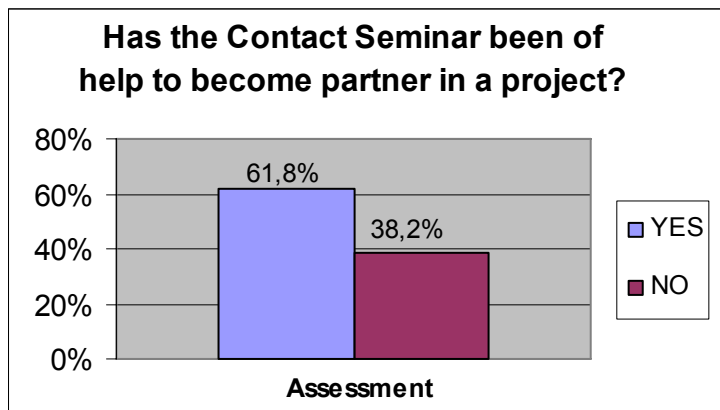
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With respect to the aspects related to the organization, 91,5% of the participants evaluate them positively: 55,3% “Excellent”, 25,5% “Very good” and 10,6% “Acceptable”. 8,5% think the organizational aspects were “Not acceptable”.

Another important aspect of the Contact Seminar Comenius:

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To the question whether the contact seminar has been of help to become partner in a project that can be presented to the call of proposals Comenius or similar, 61,8% of the participants have answered "YES" and 38,2% have answered "NO".