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Emne Institutrådsmøde (SEBE)

Dato og tidspunkt 1. oktober 2019, kl. 12.00–13.45

Sted Mødelokale 2

Inviterede Arne Feddersen (konst. institutleder), Urs Steiner Brandt, Jens

Fyhn Lykke Sørensen, Judith Parus (referent), Ulla H.

Oehlenschlager, Irene Nygaard, Michael Trelle, Yingkui Yang,

Arbrije Kadriu, Nikolaj Nielsen, Iver Poulsen

Afbud fra Klaus Levinsen, Jens Fyhn Lykke Nielsen, Urs Steiner Brandt, Ni-

kolaj Nielsen, Arbrije Kadriu

Punkter til drøftelser:

 Godkendelse af dagsorden Godkendt.

2. Godkendelse af referatet fra sidste møde Godkendt.

3. Information vedr. ansættelsesprocessen af ny institutleder

The application deadline was September 30th.

The hiring committee consists of the dean, 1 student representative, 1 representative from the TAP personnel and 1 representative from each RG group (3 in total).

The Faculty is currently working on settling the dates for the interviews.

4. Nyheder fra Universitetet, Fakultetet og Instituttet

Klaus Levinsen has been appointed as VILU – viceinstitutleder for uddannelse. Arne Feddersen expressed his gratefulness towards Lars for having performed this task very satisfactorily.

Eva Roth has taken over the role as education manager for the environmental and resource management programme and Malene Damsted for the HA. Gunnar continues as education manager for the sociology education

The rearrangement of the education manager positions should lead to a better division of work among the whole education management team (VILU, education managers, study coordinators).

On the faculty-level a new norm-system will be implemented. It should



not directly affect the students. It is about how the teachers will register their teaching activities. The new system is ECTS-based. This is not a saving exercise but should give more flexibility and incentives for developing more modern ways of teaching.

There will be a reduced norm on supervision for bachelor and master theses. It is expected that there, e.g., will be more supervision in clusters or peer feedback. There was a discussion of this.

Each Department will have to develop an individual norm catalogue and this work will commence shortly. For the common courses on the HA (fællesfag), it is stated that the norm must be the same across campuses. Lederforum will meet on October 2nd, 2019 and discuss the strategy.

There was a discussion, and Yingkui expressed his concerns about the economy and the incentives. We would also suggest an evaluation towards the students on their views on the supervision of thesis.

The work must be completed within this year.

SDU has a new strategy on the 17 UN sustainable development goals (SDG). The kick-off event with 400 participants took place on October 24th, 2019. Our contribution was the project from Brooks and Chris on "Sustainable arctic maritime tourism". The Department has a big interest in the 17 SDG and will work on a strategy, which will – even stronger than today – incorporate the SDG.

Irene asked about the economy-meeting with the faculty. We are still waiting for the new *finanslov*, which will be approved in early December. There is still some uncertainty. Overall, the budget for SEBE seems to be in good shape but overall the Department has lost some resources, and everybody faces a high workload.

We have had 3 open positions: a full professorship and a tenure track assistant professor in the MERE group plus a tenure track position as assistant professor in the MOB group.

5. Nyheder fra byggeri v/Judith

Read more here: https://www.sdu.dk/da/om_sdu/byerne/esbjerg/nyt_sdu_es-bjerg

We are concerned about the moving in the midst of the term, but we should be able to do that. Arne Feddersen stated that communication is important. He expressed that it seems to be a good opportunity to start clearing up offices in due time prior to the actual move. The *institutråd* hopes that a good plan for the logistics of the physical moving will be in place and communicated in due time.



In general, the institutråd expressed concerns with respect to a lack of information/communication and involvement of the department/members of the department.

6. Alfredo v/de studerende

Judith has talked with Nikolaj on Alfredo before the meeting and reported about this conversation.

Nikolaj said that the study start worked well and there is a good energy among the students.

Nikolaj supplemented by saying that a lot of the active students are in the 5th semester and that there are some transformation issues between the different year groups.

Nikolaj is trying to revive Alfredo both in terms of members but also in terms of tasks.

Arne suggested that perhaps Alfredo could get a slot at the introduction days in order to present the prganization and its work to the new students.

This item will be added to the agenda of the next meeting of the *institutråd*.

7. Gensidig orientering

Judith gave a status on the alumni network. They hosted with success an event on the Fantasy Festival on September 14th, 2019 even though it was on a Saturday.

The next alumni event takes place at *Musikhuset* on November 12th, 2019. Moe information can be found here: https://alumnet.sdu.dk/da/arrangementer/faelles/musikhuset

For this event, there will be only limited seats available. It is important for the alumni board to try out different things with respect to the alumni events. The alumni are also invited to the Esbjerg University Prize on November 22nd, 2019.

The alumni board has already collected some additional ideas for future alumni activities/events. These are (amongst others): How to become a Ph.D. student; UN SDG goals.

The alumni board and the respective administrative personnel has a good grip on the management of the alumni events, but work on company visits and more collaborative elements is still needed.



An alumni wall in the main hall of SDU Esbjerg has been set up. Hopefully, this will be used for, e.g., photos. It will also get a prominent spot in the new building.

8. Eventuelt Nothing