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Minutes

Subject: Steering group, arctic researcher network

Date: 19 April 2021
Place: Teams

Participants: Sebastian Mernild, Christina Viskum Lytken Larsen, Carolin

Löscher, Niels Vestergaard, Dewan Ahsan, James Rogers, Ulrik Pagh Schultz, Julia Pahl, Danita Burke (last 5 minutes)

Minute taker: Gitte Jørgensen

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Welcome by Sebastian

The purpose of the network for arctic researchers across SDU is regular meetings, share ideas, presentations, external participants, funding possibilities etc. The network must work bottom-up but has Sebastian's attention. He will participate in the meetings for a start, then only once in a while, but will always be available to the network.

Distribution of roles in the steering group

Christina accepted the role as chair for the steering group. She stressed that it was a good idea with a steering group that can support Sebastian with information across faculties and support in relation to ministers.

Highlights from the discussions

- SDU should be member of U-Arctic at university level. Sebastian checks with the Rectorate.
- Polar code in arctic researcher network. Expand the network with partners from foreign countries.
- International polar code seminar in June. Dewan sends a link to the seminar.
- · Horizon Europe brings all together internally as well as externally.
- A research hub opened at the university in Greenland. Greenlandic guidelines are valid for all of us.
- Strong fundament for the entire SDU. Joint supervision, add to the community, focus on building a strong foundation, focus on SDU, the students.
- Awareness of what we have. Good international network, a lot of documents etc.
- Make a collective framework for the group.
- · Formulate topics we can collaborate on.
- Set up a website for the arctic network. Reach out to KOM after a few meetings.
- Monthly meetings in the next 6 months.
- Terms of reference.
- · Educational programs we can work on.
- Work out of ½ page bio from all members inclusive of network. Send to Christina, Jannie will gather
 all input and send out to the network.
- Name suggestion: Arctic Collaboratorium.
- When the network has been going for a while, Sebastian will present it at a management meeting, so that the deans know that the researchers spend time on it.



• Christina works out a few slides to present the network.

Further process and next meeting

- U-Arctic membership at SDU level (Sebastian)
- Link to polar code seminar (Dewan)
- Website for the arctic network (Christina)
- Monthly meetings in the next 6 months (Christina)
- Terms of reference (Christina)
- Work out of ½ page bio (all)