

k September 2021 - Minutes

The Junior Researcher Association

Date: Tuesday, September 14 2021

Time: 15:00 - 16:00

Venue: 1910 - meeting room 1

Expecting: Chiara De Notaris, Ata Jalili Marand, TingTing Wang, Marcela Alejandra

Mendoza Suarez, Emma Leth

Invited as observer: Cecilie Nørby Lyhne and Catherine Williams

Agenda:

- **Approval of agenda**
 - Approved
- **Approval of minutes from the last meeting**
 - Approved
- **Summary of meeting Marcela - Eoin & Rasmus TTO**
 - **TTO will be in charge of the logistics of all the next events**
 - They will take care of it, and Emma will help promote the events
 - **Possible in-person events:**
 - **a) Presentation of Bioinnovation institute**
 - More about life science research, parma
 - Louise Clemmensen will present the newest grants
 - Date: 28th of October, form: Webinar
 - BII in the “ecosystem” of Life Science research. The Presenter will be Louise Clemmensen. 28th October, 10 am.

- **b) IP and patents**
 - Pernille (attorney focusing in patents)
 - She will presents: What to do with IP, and what to do with patents while you are publishing.
 - 25th of November, at 13 psychical at the Studenterhus
 - Pernille Gojkovic, IP attorney Høiberg. She will do a presentation on IP. I will make sure that the presentation will be as “broad” as possible, including topics such as software, copyright, trademark etc. Physical event.
- **I asked for more social sciences focussed events. Eoin will check with other co-workers at TTO for this kind of events/talks**
 - He will look into talks related more to the social sciences
- **Course with Matt Lane**
 - 30rd August - 2 september
 - 30 spots, opened up for 10 more
 - The first day 18 showed up, 15 after, 12 on the last day
 - That is not acceptable
 - Idea: Send an event file so it would show up in their calendar
 - Emma will look into this
 - Emma got an e-mail, with a group wanting to join the course if it's held again
 - Matt will send a suggestion if he had some ideas for new courses.

There is room in the budget
- **Updates from PAND (PhD Association Network Denmark)**

Chiara joined their strategy retreat and we discussed how to include JRs in the loop. We are now officially part of the network, and now we should try to engage JRs from other universities.

- It's the associations that are members of PAND (not the individual person). JR's can also join - they just don't have anyone until now. JRA are the only association for JR's in Denmark. They were very happy that we want to become a part of PAND - so if we decide that we want to become a part of PAND then it's possible
- They discussed their strategy, and their problems are very similar to ours
- What can a collab bring us? Maybe a meeting with the ministry of science and education. On Thursday they will have a meeting with the ministry of science and education, and we are invited to listen. Three main points they want to discuss, mostly: PhD and Corona.
- PAND organisation: They already have a board, and re-elect around May/June. There is a good possibility for one chair to be a JR (right now it's only PhDs). Maybe this is a post for Chiara - or we might even have an election. At the General Assembly, we will define the roles
- We agree that we want to join the network
- <https://phddenmark.dk/>
- **Updates from NAT**
 - **Academic council on the 15th (Catherine)**
 - Catherine:

A tightly timetabled meeting, so it's not certain that we can have any inputs in the meeting. It's more important that we have a seat at the table.

- More things that are in the interest of JRs: Transparency. Ability to recruit from associate professor to professor without having to advertise for the position available - not that transparent but security? It's important for us that the process is transparent
- We also want more gender diversity (but that's going to be a separate group, Catherine will keep us updated)
- **Taskforce?**
- Joint meeting of the academic councils
- Smoking policy
 - There used to be an exception with snus, but that is not going to be an exception anymore
- The wellbeing of PhDs - but what about the wellbeing of JRs?
- Thank you to Catherine :)
- **AU Strategy contract 2022-2025**
- It really fluffy
- They talk about PhD students, but not about the PhDs that drop out
- More about the wellbeing of PhDs and JRs
- **General Assembly and networking event (30 minutes)**
 - **When (November) and where**
 - Friday the 19th 9-13 including lunch
 - Venue: Student house or maybe Konferencecenter (around 50)
 - Make the event on conference manager

- **How do we structure it**
 - Chiara suggests that we will make a working group with the general assembly. It could be a good idea to make a networking event before the general assembly. 12.000kr → spend it on food and drinks, and maybe invite someone or small session of a specific topic (but has to be very general).
 - Be careful that it doesn't get too complicated
 - It could be a good idea to have an online possibility for the general assembly
- **Who do we involve (both in the organization and in the event)**

Find volunteers who would like to get involved in organizing the networking part (Chiara has one).