May 2024 - Minutes

The Junior Researcher Association

Date: 1st of May 2024

Time: 16.00-17.00

Venue: 1431-015 and online

Participants: Anne Birkeholm Jensen, Luisa Schertel Cassiano, Masoumehsadat Seyedyazdi, Madalina Elena Carter-Timofte, Miriam Rosas-Umbert, Juan Luis Garcia Rodriguez, Sidsel Holm Rasmussen, Gisele Msann, Maria Louise Gamborg, Ana Lucia Cardenas Egusquiza, Marcel Bühler, Maria Josefa Verdugo Avello and Anne Kindt Nielsen

Minutes:

1. Approval of minutes from the last meeting:

   https://docs.google.com/document/d/1XwUG4TIudMoGR1I3_CGG1eNMuprXYB6j-JH0Q3IwOXE/edit

2. Update from the AC on which topics currently receive the most attention?

   - Health
     - GDPR
     - geopolitics: some counties where you are not allowed to bring your computer as a researcher.

   - BSS
     - Economy, lack of students
     - Diversity in pensum
     - Problems with students evaluation - have been sexist in the evaluation - wants to form students to make an evaluation
     - We need to find a new representative at BSS instead of Katrine
- We will give the faculty the opportunity to reach out to us - maybe have two representatives/observers

- Tech:
  - GDPR
  - Geopolitics, the same concern as at Health, at some countries you are not allowed to bring your computer

Do JRA need to do anything for the AC

- Maybe JRA should broaden the connections between the departments. Maybe a contact person

Memo:

- AC has not been asked for their opinion on the memo.

3. Events: (From the event group)

1) We need help determining the budget for each event so as to know if we can compensate guest lecturers or not

2) Too few of us in this meeting - how do we make things happen (the three of us are all completely new to this: We’d like to learn from ‘senior’ board members)
   a) We’d like to get feedback on the points from this meeting at next general meeting in May
   b) Who should we contact for booking rooms and catering?
      i) Anne Kindt will take care of this. You need to send me the information about the event, and I will book rooms and catering.
   c) get hold of our funding? (can you please teach us the basics?)

3) Post-doc appreciation day: Who is at Health? Will someone take charge of this one?
- Lousia will take the lead on this event

4) **Grant-writing event:** Juan and Gisele were assigned as responsible organizers
   a) Host together with the support office.

5) **Pre-registration event:** Sidsel and Ana Lucia are in contact with Janis Zickfeld who has agreed to teach a 3hr workshop
   - Janis is open to give a workshop
   - best in the afternoon to host an event
   - Payment: wants to do it for free - we can offer him 6000 kr.
   - we need a catchy header and teaser about the event
   - Anne Kindt
     - Will book room and coffee/cake
     - will make the registration link and upload it to our webpage
   - Sidsel will send Anne Kindt some information about the event

**Time slot: 3-6.** Date: TBD. We will suggest:
Tuesday August 13th (W33), **Monday August 19th (W34)** ….
Thursday September 19th (W38), Tuesday September 24th (W39), Monday September 30th (W40)

6) **AI event:** using the ChatGPT as a decision-support tool - potential speaker: Jens Christian Bjerring. Maria Josefa and Miriam were assigned as responsible organizers.
   a) investigate the possibility of making the event hybrid or online
   b) One hour in June
   c) check out the possibility to host the event with AUPA
   d) Payment: maybe 3000 kr.?

7) **Social event** in June: what about Monday, 3rd of June, Tuesday, 4th of June or Tuesday, 18th of June.
   - Informal event in the end of the semester
   - maybe use the Studenterbar as location
   - **26 June,**
- networking, social event,

3. Other:

- Nat-initiative:
  - Newly established network at NAT: Parents@NAT AU: The network is for pregnant/parent-to-be researchers and researchers with young children (nursery/kindergarten) who will return, are returning, or have recently returned to work at the Faculty of Natural Sciences (NAT), Aarhus University.

- Meeting in June: 5 June, 16-00-17.00. The last one this semester.