

**Meeting on: 24 January 2018; 12:30 – 14:30**

**Minutes**

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**Section meeting**

**Present:** Climate and Water section

**1. Approval of agenda**

Jytte Christensen

Point 12 added: Activities in BSU III

**2. Messages**

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Jørgen:

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From recent section leader meeting 22 January:

- Staffing plan for 2018 will be available soon
- Internal applications
- The committee on field- and semifield experiments has been re-established. Poul Erik and Mathias are members. The aim is to ensure a better engagement, supervision among persons using these facilities.
- Statistical support: All agreed that the support was fine and supported the idea about an annual workshop.
  - Jeroen, David and Finn are planning a training course on R.
  - Statistics could also be discussed in the Journal Club.

Jytte:

- Keep our renovated hallway tidy and nice. Put your cups, plates etc. in the dishwasher instead of leaving them in the sink.
- Available boards for posters, so please put up your posters
- We still have two bikes in our section. Reservation calendar on the board opposite Jytte's office.
- Be aware of the possibility of applying for microfunding for new PhD students and researchers. Read more about the conditions here <http://www.au.dk/en/internationalcentre/internationalcollaboration/fundingopportunities/microfunding-for-phd-students-and-researchers/>



### **Ad 3: Internal applications**

Jørgen got a list from Birgit and he will circulate the application form to the relevant persons, giving them one week to respond.

### **Ad 4: Staff news**

Since our last meeting 6 November:

- 15 Nov: Maja started as technician
- 1 Dec: Noha started as PhD student  
Saghar started as research assistant  
Jin started as postdoc
- 1 Jan: Kari started as PhD student
- 15 Jan-15 Feb: Joseph Martin is visiting us as a screening grant

Estée got an extension until end of September.

Sandhya left us by end of December.

Sando will leave us by end of February. A job announcement is out.

### **Ad 5: GDD / GRUS**

Group Development Dialogues is on 22 March. The day is split into three staff categories. The head of department Erik Steen Kristensen will join all three categories, mainly as an observer.

It was a wish that a wrap-up for the whole section was held on the same day. Jørgen was very positive on this and a new schedule and invitations will be sent out.

Staff Development Dialogues (MUS) are held after GDD. Jytte will look into Jørgens calendar and send out invitations for MUS.

### **Ad 6: Elevator talk**

Junxiang Peng gave a short talk and served cake.

### **Ad 7: Publications**

Yield and crop growth of table potato affected by different split-N fertigation regimes in sandy soil

Acclimation to higher VPD and temperature minimized negative effects on assimilation and grain yield of wheat

Possibilities for near-term bioenergy production and GHG-mitigation through sustainable intensification of agriculture and forestry in Denmark

Spatially differentiated strategies for reducing nitrate loads from agriculture in two Danish catchments

Estimation of land-surface evaporation at four forest sites across Japan with the new nonlinear complementary method

Nitrogen leaching: A crop rotation perspective on the effect of N surplus, field management and use of catch crops

Biochar amendment of fluvio-glacial temperate sandy subsoil: Effects on maize water uptake, growth and physiology

How do farm models compare when estimating greenhouse gas emissions from dairy cattle production?

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### **Ad 8: Applications: Status, possibilities and coordination**

Send the project title to Jytte, if you are involved in applications for Innovationsfonden and/or H2020. The management tries to get an overview on this.

Finn:

- Ropen Plus to Innovationsfonden. Coordination by Birgitte Hansen, GEUS
- "Climate resilience" project on cashew nuts intercropping with University of Ghana, deadline 2. February. Application to FFU

Nick:

- Involved in a GUDP application on reducing ammonia emission from organic production
- Small part in a H2020

Mathias:

- Re-submission of the 'Zanzibar' application to FFU
- Involved in a FFU application on climate resilience. Coordinated by Mostofa Amin from Bangladesh.
- Contact from South Africa – Integrated water resource management, also a FFU application
- SEGES:
  - Project on grass (Jørgen Eriksen)
  - Restructure of Vandregnskab

Poul Erik:

- Region Midt on bioeconomy – deadline 31 January
- SUSCROP call from ERANET. Contacted by Teasgasc. GUDP is co-funding.

Jørgen:

- Re-submission of "Will Agroecological Intensification Enhance Resilience" to FFU. Tanzania is partner country.
- New proposal on manure in China to FFU. Coordinate by Sven Sommer

- Involved in three H2020:
  - FET flagship
  - Re-submission of Improved Soil Management project
  - Contact from Switzerland on Climate Smart and Resilient Farming – deadline in 2019

### **Ad 9: Social event**

Thanks to Margit, Kiril and Estée for organizing the section Christmas lunch 15 Dec.

Responsible for the next social event is Chiara, Kirsten and Jytte. Details will come out later.

**Due to lack of time, we skipped point 10 and 11.**

### **Ad 12: Activities in BSU III**

Finn gave a brief introduction to our engagement with University of Ghana in BSU III. The aim is to increase research capacity at University of Ghana. He invited all to be involved in developing PhD courses on climate change in Ghana. Contact Finn if you are interested in this opportunity. Finn will distribute the papers to all.

There are similar activities going on at Kwame Nkrumah University of Science and Technology in Ghana. This is led by Torsten Rødel Berg and Uffe is involved here.