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**Meeting on 16 December 2021, 13:00 – 14:30**

**Minutes**

**Teams**

**Section meeting**

**Present:** Climate and Water section, Camilla Brodam

**Agenda:**

1. Approval of agenda
2. Staff news:
  - a. Welcome to Binbin Zhang, guest PhD student
  - b. On the way:
    - i. Davide Cammarano, professor - January
3. Messages
  - a. Department management meeting
  - b. PhD committee meeting
  - c. Other messages
4. Suggestions for short courses for high-school students (SRP forløb), see attachment
5. Scientific focus areas for NNF application Plant2Food
6. Reflection on career development themes from AGRO Researcher Days
7. AOB

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**Ad 1: Approval of agenda**

Approved

**Ad 2: Staff news:**

Guest PhD student Binbin Zhang introduced himself.

Professor Davide Cammarano is employed from 1 January 2022. He will around from late January.

**Ad 3: Messages:**

**a) Department management meeting**

- Short courses for high-school students was discussed. See also point 4 in the agenda.
- Torsten gave an overview over planned HEU applications. The presentation is enclosed.
- There are possibilities for partnerships similar to EJP SOIL, but now with 70% co-funding. It is important to make sure co-funded activities fits in.



- AUFF guidelines has changed a bit regarding what they finance. Starting grant is still possible, but only for persons recruited from outside EU.
- Co-funding for flexible PhD's (3+5 and 4+4). We need to focus a bit more on recruiting master students into PhD.
- GSTS does not fund 1/3 of a PhD anymore. Contact Jørgen if you apply for new PhD in order to set up the budgeting correct.
- GRUS (Group Develop Dialogue) January/February and MUS (Staff Develop Dialogue) February/March. See the topics in Jørgens article in Biweekly. More information from Mathias will follow early January.
- An overview over who has joined a pedagogical course will be updated. Most of our young scientist have had this course already. The course is held in both Danish and English. An advantage to join the course while you are involved in teaching activities.
- A 'sustainability' group is to be formed at faculty level. The aim is to develop a more sustainable campus Foulum, both inside and outside. Two members from each department. Chiara and Claudia is interested, but they will also like to have an estimation of expected time usage.
- The 2% cut-down on the policy support is still applicable. AU is not satisfied with this and demands the number of tasks to be cut-down accordingly.
- Remember to finish ProMark and RejsUd before X-mas.

### **b) PhD committee meeting, Jim**

From 2022 Claudia is new member instead of Laura. Jim thanked Laura for her contribution in the committee.

At the latest meeting, the content of the wellbeing conversation was discussed. The conversation is between the student and one member from the PhD committee. It is a safe place to discuss matters that can be difficult.

Continuous training of supervisors. If it is a long time since you as PhD supervisor has joined a course, it is recommended to take a course.

The international evaluation of GSTS was in general positive. AGRO has a decreasing uptake of PhD students. Only the engineering department has an increasing uptake. This might be the result of the increased focus from the faculty.

If AGRO wants more students, it is important to be visible. This is also discussed in the department management. Viborg municipality are very keen on supporting activities in Foulum and a strategy is needed.

'Forskningens døgn' is another possibility for being visible. Jeroen gave a speech once. <https://forsk.dk/kontakt-english/the-danish-science-festival>

### **c) Other messages:**

Remember to settle all expenses regarding 2021 in RejsUd before Christmas holiday or at 3<sup>rd</sup> January 2022 at the very latest.

Deadline for time registration is Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2022.

**Ad 4: Suggestions for short courses for high-school students (SRP forløb), see attachment**

It is important with more outreach activities and we are asked to come up with suggestions for short one-day courses for high-school students. Kiril has already sent some ideas to Mathias. We might merge into a suggestion from SYSTEM on climate and plant based food. Kirsten E. is interested.

The suggestion from SYSTEM is enclosed to the minutes for inspiration.

**Ad 5: Scientific focus areas for NNF application Plant2Food, Jim**

Jim is in the working group. It is a new initiative from NNF, KU, DTU, AU, Wageningen University and some private companies. The topic is to develop a shorter distance from idea to implementation regarding the value chain of food production. Contact Jim if you have any ideas for input.

Deadline for internal processes is 6 January.

**Ad 6: Reflection on career development themes from AGRO Researcher Days, Chiara**

See updated slides.

Among other things, it was discussed what the difference between MUS and a career dialogue is. MUS is with the section leader and a career dialogue is necessarily not. Also securing the gender balance during recruitment was discussed.

Organising people into teams like ANIS will ensure that you work with people you have projects with. This could be a subject for discussion at GRUS.

**Ad 7: AOB**

Nothing

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.