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**Meeting on 7 October, 10:00 – 11:30**  
**Meeting room 4**  
**Section meeting**

**Minutes**

**Present:** Climate and Water section, Camilla Brodam, Torsten Rødel Berg

**Agenda:**

1. Approval of agenda
2. Staff news:
  - i. Welcome to Qiong Chen, visiting PhD student, 16 September 2021 – 30 September 2022, supervisor Mathias and Ji
  - ii. Siyu Zheng, visiting PhD student, 1 October 2021 – 30 March 2023, supervisor is Finn
  - iii. Guest student on the way:
    1. Yuanliu Hu, visiting PhD student, 15 October 2021 – 14 October 2023, supervisor Ji
    2. Binbin Zhang, visiting PhD student, 1 November 2021 – 31 October 2023, supervisor Jørgen and Ji
3. Messages:
  - a. Department management meeting 28 – 29 September
  - b. Other messages
4. Presentation of AGRO committees:
  - a. Laboratory committee, Poul Erik
  - b. Business and Innovation committee, Poul Erik
  - c. Field equipment committee, Jeroen
  - d. Data management committee, Jens/Jytte
  - e. GIS committee, Mette
5. Social event
  - a. Candidates for AGRO Christmas party committee?
  - b. Christmas lunch in KLIMA 10 December?
  - c. International evening (potluck supper)?
  - d. Other ideas
6. AOB

Jytte Christensen

Date: 8 October 2021

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**Ad 1: Approval of agenda**

Approved

**Ad 2: Staff news**

- Qiong Chen and Siyu Zheng presented themselves.
- Yuanliu Hu will come to Denmark 15 October. Binbin Zhang will arrive late November.
- Congratulations to Jeroen. He is now employed as assistant professor (four years).



- Goodbye to Xuezhi and Muhammad.
- Christen is affiliated to the SOIL section from 1<sup>st</sup> October. He will move office by January 2022.

### Ad 3: Messages

Mathias referred from the two-day department meeting 28 – 29 September.

- Economy looks fine. There is room for investments based on recommendations from the laboratory- and field equipment committees. The final list of new investments will be available in the minutes from Department management meeting.
- Discussions on how to increase the number of enrolled students. We also discussed this at our section meeting 3 September.
- Policy support tasks for 2022. There was a meeting with the Ministry 1 October.
- Self-assessment, SWOT-analysis. This will be further discussed in the Department Forum.
- Review of AGRO strategy.
- General discussion among the section leaders on workload etc.
- Staff Development Dialogues (MUS). It is not yet clarified what tool to use and when to have the talks. MUS are supposed to be every year.
- Career development: Good recommendations from the committee. Will be further discussed in Department Forum.
- Recruitment plan – from TT and up.
- Collaboration with ‘The Kitchen’ – Aarhus University start up hub <https://thekitchen.io/>.

Messages from Jytte:

- Important to keep your Outlook calendar updated. If you work from home, please write a phone number.
- We have two bikes in the section. At the board opposite Jytte’s office, there is a calendar for reservation of the bikes. Remember to update here if you want to use the bikes.
- We have bought a hanger for the bikes. It is currently placed in the wardrobe outside the toilets.
- Tidy up in your office, empty waste bin and avoid stuff on the floor.
- GIS event at AU 16 November. All with interest in GIS are welcome. Link for registration is found on the poster in the coffee corner.

### Ad 4: Presentation of AGRO committees

Laboratory committee, Poul Erik:

- There is a member from each relevant section, chairman is Jørgen Eriksen
- A lab committee for both AGRO-Foulum and AGRO-Flakkebjerg
- The main task is to clarify the need for investments in laboratory equipment and to advise the department on investments

- The wishes for investments are collected twice a year (April/September). The Department management makes the final decision for investments.
- The intranet page will be updated with the mandate and minutes from the latest meeting.

Business and Innovation committee, Poul Erik:

- Established 2015 as part of the Faculty strategy of increasing collaboration with industry. chairman is Birte Boelt
- Bottom-up approach for collaboration with industry
- Preferable if the committee was more visible at the intranet e.g. with examples on collaboration with industrial partners.

Field equipment committee, Jeroen:

- Established March 2021. Chairman is Mogens Greve.
- See enclosed presentation on the rationale, where an overview of the categories of field equipment also is available.
- A task on building a database with a records for each device/machine is under preparation.
- The intranet page needs to be updated.

Data Management Committee, Jytte (on behalf of Jens):

- Established August 2021. Chairman is Jens Grønbech Hansen
- See enclosed presentation on the mandate.
- Started up clarifying the status, needs and challenges on data management in each section.
- Mandate and minutes are available at the intranet.

GIS Committee, Mette: Cancelled

**Ad 5: Social event:**

Candidates for AGRO Christmas lunch committee. Kirsten E. took the initiative and will try to form a committee. The Christmas lunch is 3 December. The Staff Club will organize 'happy hour' and the Staff Club have also hired the band.

The afternoon of 10 December is reserved for our section Christmas lunch. Jytte will find out if we can have the event in the guest canteen. *(At present the guest canteen is available 10 December, but it is no possible to book it already now. Events with external guest have first priority, so we have to consider another option.)*

Other suggestions:

- International evening (January)
- Visit at 'Museum Østjylland' <https://museumoj.randers.dk/english/>
- Walk along Gudenå



- Crayfish event (Finn)

**Ad 6: AOB**

Kari is defending her PhD Friday afternoon.

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