

I tried to divide the discussion topics based on previous assignments and knowledge. I thought you are the best to brief the topic and initiate the discussion. Then comments from the rest will follow.

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Attending: Ljubisa, Erlend, Aya, Teshome, Rachelle and Terese

Agenda

PhD movie screening - status - update - **Aya**

Based on the sponsorship policy - discount of 15 % for the member organisation - SiN sponsor 2000 Nok in total for screening the event (one of both movies) at the individual institutions if they apply. Aya will continue working on the document. All board members can comment on the document in the dropbox.

SiN sponsoring local events procedure or guidelines- status update - **Aya**

Procedures - Comment in dropbox. Only applied to doctoral organisations - our member organisation - promote membership in SiN. November 1st announce the amount of the fund. The form template in process. We have already sponsored the event in Tromsø (SiN/logo included throughout the conference. The logo was also on the website under sponsors (<http://itim.org/en/theculturefactor>)).

Bergen chapter - status update - **Ljubisa**

No news. Ljubisa have contacted the university through a PhD student involved in a faculty organisation 21st of September. She forwarded the invitation, but we have not received any feedback. Ljubisa will look for information on possible contact persons at the university.

Potential poster - status update - **Ljubisa**

SIN Poster - Purpose: promotion/information on SIN. Ljubisa will be in charge of making the first draft of the poster. Aya is willing to help out creating the poster. All members will be able to comment on the first draft in dropbox.

Oslo region workshop/Seminar - status update -**Theresa and Rachelle**

What do we want achieve with the workshop? Better collaboration with Phd organisations. Connect with our stakeholders, Make us more visible/promote ourselves.

2-day-workshop - 1st day for our member organisation, 2nd day: meeting, inviting one representation from the member org.

Local board can also contribute a bit in terms of travel expenses / accommodation.

Invite universities that do not have a phd org. yet.

Invite a workshop facilitator that will help us moderate the workshop.

Funding / budget? How much should we allocate? 50 000 NOK? Erlend will look for the initial budget agreed upon during the AGM.

EuroDoc - brief - **Erlend**

Norway should become more involved with EuroDoc. 20th of November there will be a EuroDoc conference in Paris. Discussions on European PhD student issues. If someone from SiN could represent us?

Bid for the EuroDoc AGM in Oslo in 2017 - April? Open for all phd students in Norway. Find affordable accommodation and meals. Cut cost for conference venue by utilizing university facilities. Reimburse for travel expenses & accommodation. Erlend will be in contact with the local organiser (in Luxembourg) to learn from their experience. Deadline for the bid January 2016.

Two members can be representing SiN at the AGM 20-24th of April in Luxembourg. Erlend will attend. Do we want to send another representative? Rachelle might be interested.

Student vs employee debate - brief - **Erlend**

No news.

Present the hearing on the suggested changes in Norwegian research ethical regulations - deadline was on Oct. 15 -brief summary of changes - **Theresa**

Terese briefly explained the proposed changes in research ethical regulations (LOV-2006-0630-56) and the note suggested by UHR FU. In brief:

§ 3: UHR FU agrees with the promoted changes in regulating and emphasising local institutions responsibility.

§ 5: UHR FU questions whether the Health and Medical ethical-regulations take into consideration all dimensions of health research.

§ 6: UHR FU agrees that the local institutions should have competent professional group/board at the local institutions that can come with statement on issues of research fraudulence - supports alternative 1 as proposed by KD. This also means that local institutions have the responsibility to report all ethical/fraudulence cases at their institutions to the national ethical/investigation board.

§7: UHR FU does not support the proposed changes of making it possible for whistleblowers to be anonymous. Individuals or groups should have the rights to know who proposed the allegations directed at them.

General update from the nodes (round status update or new issues)

AOB

Rachelle briefly introduced upcoming UIODOC events- Julienne academic life in Norway. Promotion of the board. Pedagogical seminar to improve teaching skills of phd students.

If you are not attending the meeting please forward the update by email.