

SiN Board Meeting - February 2016

Date: Friday 19.02.16 13.00-15.00

Place: Norwegian School of Sport Sciences

Attending: Vegard Stenhjem Hagen
Ljubisa Gavrilovic SiN
Perinne Fernandez (FODOS)
Javier Sánchez Romano (TODOS)
Ellen Rintell (FODOS)
Rachelle Esterhazy
Terese Wilhelmsen

Absent: Teshome Dagne Mulugeta
Mayang Kusumawardhani
Erlend Dancke Sandorf

Workshop

The overall impression of the workshop seems to be positive and the participants wanted more opportunities to meet face to face to discuss common issues. One of the comments was that the participants wanted a bit more time to discuss without the topics of discussion being set in front of the discussion. Maybe this is something we could offer at the AGM?

What is next from the workshop?

- 1) Ljubisa is responsible for writing a summary of the participants' evaluation/feedback.
- 2) Rachelle is responsible for writing a summary/report on the Thursday's workshop and Terese on the Friday's workshop. One outcome from the PR workshop could be that all member organizations should discuss the possibility of the development of a PR strategy in the next the board meeting and share our discussions and draft/final strategies with the other organizations.
- 3) Discussions if something similar should be a yearly event. Maybe not next year – taking in to consideration the organization of EuroDoc AGM.
- 4) Facebook group already started- every partner organization should add their board members
 - Facebook should not only be personal but professional.
 - This is an arena to discuss common issues with member organizations, discuss/promote local upcoming events etc.
- 5) Discussions on what are our role? This should be a discussion about the statues and SiN roles towards/with the local organization. Update the statutes is needed.

AGM

- Suggested date: Last week of May – Suggested day: Friday 27.mai.20
- Suggestions to have a workshop connected to the AGM

- Use the facebook page to ask our member organizations for possible themes and maybe suggestions for a presenter
- Ås as a candidate for hosting the AGM. Perinne & Ellen will check out if the local organization is willing to organize it, possible sleeping arrangement etc.
- Doodle for dates for the AGM should be sent out all member organizations.
- Invite people from NSO to the AGM and put them on the facebook group. Rachele in charge of get in contact with Angus (NSO).
- Invite the national organization of Sweden and Denmark if we have funding for this.

Budget

- Discussions on the actual budget – upcoming events.
- Left in the budget estimation: 134 k.
- Aya: responsible for double checking the budget.

Application to KD

- Apply for 400 K. from KD in which 100 K is earmarked EUROdoc AGM.
- *See a summary of the discussions on how to best apply for money to fund Eurodoc underneath the EUROdoc heading.

Changes that should be done to the application:

- To promote us and our work a bit more in the application (our continued work with strengthening networking platform between our member organization etc.)
- Comments on the challenges that some of our member organizations have experience because of the merging of universities. (We have notices that several of our member organizations have trouble with the process of universities merging. SiN has been asked to help the local organizations to change/develop organizational structures that supports all campuses.)
- Update the numbers of PhD candidates and postdocs mentioned in the application
- Check the number or national organizations connected to EuroDoc
- Vegard will update the 4.8 of the application.
- SoDoc. 3.5 months work before taxes. 35*3,5
- Discussion the point of what we do from the last year's application to the KD: Facebook group, do more of the leadership development for our members.

Eurodoc

- Three possible funding strategies: 1) Apply for all expenses in one application to KD, 2) Separate the SiN funding and the Eurodoc AGM funding completely, 3) Apply for 100 K earmarked Eurodoc AGM in the SiN application and send a second application to KD for additional funding. Vegard is responsible for calling an adviser at KD to get more information (possible contact person: Kjersti Gauden).

Questionnaires to our member organization

- Ljubisa in charge of developing a questionnaire to be sent out to our member organization:
- Suggestions on questions: Events, workshop, incentives (money, duty work, extention), how much incentives, budget for the organization, who are you representing/who are your members (stip/postdocs?), How do you reach your members, what kind of institutional decision making bodies are you organization represented in?

- More themes to be introduced in the questionnaire?

New member orgs.

Have we been successful in enticing new institutions to join us?

- No – Not really.
- HIT – Contact other faculties to search for people for that are willing to help
- HIOA – Rachelle contact Monica Knutsen de Figueroa at HIOA
- UiB – Terese & Rachelle keep in contact the PhD candidate at UiB.

AoB

- General sponsoring form not discussed – will be discussed at the next board meeting.
- Vegard reported from the career politics seminar
- Connect our SiN meeting up to the UHR. UHR has already planned their meeting until September. It will strengthen our voice in that arena.