

Stipendiatororganisasjonene i Norge

Board meeting 19.08.2024

Time: 18:00-20:00

Location: Teams

1. Welcome!
2. **Board members updates: How has your summer been? What should, in your view, be the top priority for SiN in autumn 2024? How do you want to contribute?**

Board members talk about the importance of planning ahead the election. Several members are finishing their contracts or have just finished their contract.

3. **Slack for communication with local organisations (Claire and Ingvild)**

Organizations need to register themselves as non profit organisations

4. **Elections 2024**

a. *Who wants to be in the nomination committee?*

Ali, Dimitris and Ingvild want to be in the nomination committee

b. *How to do it?*

Make public the nominations. The previous candidates complained about not knowing who was running for the election. We should advertise the elections as much as possible.

c. Social media

5. **Survey (Ingvild)**

- a. Feedback from local organisations
- b. Final thoughts from board members?
- c. Plan for distribution and work load

Use of Nettskjemaet for the survey. Members support finishing it to have some data when doing interviews, to have points of comparison etc.

6. Position statement on Movement for a free academia (Karl Henrik).

- a. What should be SiNs opinion on the movement?

Importance of being aware of the hierarchy in academia, to prevent abuse of power, to facilitate the purpose of truth, which should be the main objective of academia. There are often other purposes than truth seeking in academia.

Consultation statement: There is some frustration of members because of not having enough resources. Some feel like that a lot of time was spent on criticizing the new language requirements, without it bearing a lot of fruits.

7. Financial matters (Abdo)

- a. *Change the structure of compensation*

We have money left on representation and conferences. We can take money around in different categories, apart from the compensation.

This year, to simplify things, Abdou suggests that the number of hours will be averaged and compensation shared between members, except from Ingvild who will be paid double since she worked more (divided 2 to 1). Board members agree.

- b. *Increase the compensation from 175 000 to 200 000*

The compensation amount needs to be voted for at the AGM. Changing the compensation would need to get a vote from the local organization. It is however not easy to ask for more compensation.

- c. *Current financial account. How should we spend the money (all board members). AGM*

We should spend more money on the AGM this year as well. It would be nice to have another board meeting, but capacity is quite limited right now. We should also spend as much as possible, otherwise the government might be giving less money the next time.

If we want more money, we have to show more than we need it. Something that can be presented at the AGM (projects for next boards): thinking on how to organize SiN, making me look more like NSO.

We need to spend 170 000 kroner. We should first sort out on AGM budget, then physical board meeting and then compensation.

Send your ID number to Abdou and bank account

8. Norwegian language requirement (Ingvild)

- a. News update
- b. AYF and Complaint to the EU – payment from SiN?
- c. Any other updates or discussion about this that the board knows about?

It was decided to pass this law before the summer. There was an interview in Khrono and an opinion piece in Khrono from us. Global newspapers also wrote about the case.

A journalist from forskerforbundet contacted Ingvild about how the law was going to affect people. If we know people who are affected, we can also give their contact to Ingvild.

The board did not come to an agreement on what should be done about supporting a EU case. There should be at least an agreement on a flat fee with a clear amount before we agree to anything.

9. Recruitment of new organisations (all board members)

- a. Should we try to recruit/make a recruitment trip to Nord Univeristet or VID or other institutions? Anyone wants to do it?
- b. Oslomet: How are they doing?

VID: Karl Henrik

Claire: Nord Universitet

Dimitris: BI and Kristiania

Ingvild: Molde

10. Update from Dimitris on EuroDoc

1. EuroDoc looking to fill some positions for working groups and working along with the EuroDoc Board:

<https://eurodoc.net/news/2024/call-for-expression-of-interest-of-volunteers-for-vacant-positions-in-the-eurodoc>

2. Funding opportunities outside Norway for post-doctors, other researchers, including Denmark and Sweden:

<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1FgclHibZxglltuIHn3f0AkKJwecOxSRAFBnVfrTvNkk/edit?gid=0#gid=0>

3. Post EuroDoc Conference, new board, focus areas ahead:

- 1. Doctoral Supervision**
- 2. Research Careers**
- 3. Research Assessment**

4. Support to Ukraine

5. Widening Research Participation in the EU (two tier, early joiners and 2004+ joiners, gap)

<https://eurodoc.net/news/2024/welcome-to-eurodoc-20242025>

4. Dimitris to transfer the 200 euro over to SiN for the reimbursement I received from EuroDoc: 2317,58kr

11. AGM 2024

- a. Dates: 22.-24. November (or 15.-17th November)?
- b. Programme: Academic and social event Friday? What content? AGM Saturday and Sunday
- c. How should we refund the delegates?
- d. Who wants to be in charge of organising it?

The board agrees on the date and social Friday

12. Dates for board meetings Mondays 18:00-20:00: 9. September, 7. Oktober, 4. November, 2. Desember. Ok?

-9. September 18-20 online meeting

-We probably need a physical meeting to organize the AGM. The physical meeting should be during the weekend. Maybe the last weekend in September?

13-15 For a physical meeting in Tromsø.

13. Next local organisations meeting: 16th September

- a. Any suggestions for what should be on the agenda?

14. Other

- a. (the issues that DION brought up on Slack, with PhD that are getting employed, but do not get admitted into a PhD program, is it a common problem?)
- b. Hearing on Student housing (Ingvild and Karl Henrik)