Board Meeting
Protocol
2018-03-28

Bolin Centre
for Climate Research

Time	March 28 2018, 09:00–12:00
Place	Navarino Room T223, Geoscience Building, Stockholm University
Attending board members	*Arne V. Johansson (AJ), KTH Royal Institute of Technology* *Bengt Karlsson (BK), Dep. of Zoology, Stockholm University* *Clare Bradshaw (CB), Dep. of Ecology, Environment and Plant Sciences, Stockholm University* *Cynthia de Wit (CW), Chair* *Erik Kjellström (EK), Rossby Centre, Swedish Meteorological and Hydrological Inst.* *Gia Destouni (GD), Dep. of Physical Geography, Stockholm University* *Jonas Nycander (JN), Dep. of Meteorology, Stockholm University* *Magnus Breitholtz (MB), Dep. of Environmental Science and Analytical Chemistry, Stockholm University,* *Martin Jakobsson (MJ), Dep. of Geological Sciences, Stockholm University*
Other participants	*Alasdair Skelton (AS), Co-Director of the Bolin Centre* *Annika Burström (AB), Coordinator & Communicator of the Bolin Centre* *Björn Boström (BB), Swedish Environmental Protection Agency*
Absent	*Caroline Greiser (CG), Student representative, Stockholm University* *Karin Jonsell (KJ), Bolin Centre Coordinator & Communicator* *Nina Kirchner (NK), Co-Director of the Bolin Centre*
Secretary	*Annika Burström*

§ 1	**Meeting opens** The Chair welcomed everyone.
§ 2	**Appointment of protocol writer** Annika Burström was appointed as protocol writer.
§ 3	**Appointment of protocol checker** Magnus Breitholtz was appointed as attester.
§ 4	**Approval of the agenda** The agenda for this meeting was approved with the adjustment that former information point 10 b) New statutes for the Bolin Centre, was taken as an agenda item instead.
§ 5	**Calling of Björn Boström from Naturvårdsverket as extra reserve for Johannes Morfeldt and Pelle Boberg (Att. 01-02)** The board decided to call Björn Boström from Naturvårdsverket as extra reserve for Johannes Morfeldt and Pelle Boberg until Johannes Mörfeldt is back from his leave of absence.
§ 6	**Protocol from the previous meeting (Att. 03)**

	The protocol from the previous meeting was approved with the adjustment that Regina Lindborg was present from Item 8.
§ 7	**Partnership for the Bolin Centre in European Climate Research Alliance (ECRA)** EK presented SMHIs stand which is to not renew their partnership with ECRA. Their assessment is that they can participate in other ways than a formal partnership, for example through collaborations with other actors whom are partners in ECRA. AS will look into what a partnership would entail for the Bolin Centre and this will be taken as an agenda item at the coming board meeting if AS recommends Bolin Centre participating in ECRA. In this case, AS will prepare and share information prior to the meeting.
§ 8	**Presentation of KTH and SMHI Bolin Centre budgets (Att. 05-06)** AJ presented KTH´s budget for 2018 and how they have used their funds during 2016-17, see att. 05. Most funds are used to employ researchers at various levels. It was pointed out that all new appointments using Bolin Centre funds need to be approved by the board. EK presented SMHIs budget for 2018 and how they have used their funds lately. The funds are mainly used to develop models and to run simulations, see att. 06. Other issues that were raised during discussion of this agenda item: a) KTH and SMHI will participate in the Bolin Centre annual report. AS/KJ will contact AJ and EK regarding this. b) Can the Bolin Centre be more visible at the webpages of FLOW, the Rossby Centre and the departments at SU? IGV is a good example of how to do this, please see http://www.geo.su.se/. All board members are asked to consider increasing the visibility of the Bolin Centre on their respective webpages. AB is responsible for follow ups.
§ 9	**Discussion of future leadership of the Bolin Centre** The item was divide into two parts: a) <u>Work percentage for the directors</u> During the merger with EkoKlim, both director's percentages were raised from 25% to 50% to reflect the extra work incurred by the merger. This was agreed on by the Board for a period of one year (mid-2016 to mid-2017). The extra 25% was financed via short term strategic funding provided by the Natural Science Faculty during 2016-2017. The directors' percentages have remained at this level since then, but JN pointed out that this occurred de facto and was never actually discussed by the Board. The issue was discussed at this meeting. AS reported that each director's present workload is 50% of fulltime and that if the percentage was lowered either less work would be done or the directors would work partly unpaid. The Board discussed the issue but was not able to make a decision since this was a discussion point on the agenda. The issue will be raised as a decision point at the next board meeting. b) <u>Process for appointing coming directors</u> AS clarified that the vice-chancellor of SU appoints the directors of the Bolin Centre based on a suggestion made by the Dean of the Natural Science Faculty. The Dean has verbally agreed to consult the Bolin Centre Board as well as the SAG before making this suggestion. The procedure was discussed and CW will ask the Dean what kind of input he would like from the board, and the board will provide this accordingly. AS stated that he and NK are willing to continue as directors. For AS this is regardless of the workload percentage that is agreed on although he considers 50% fairer. If the

	percentage is lowered the Board would need to consult NK to find out if she is still willing to continue.
§ 10	**New statutes for the Bolin Centre (Att.07)** APL has evaluated the draft for revised statutes of the Bolin Centre and sent their comments and questions, see att. 07. The following replies were suggested (in Swedish since the statutes are in Swedish): • Fråga från APL: Under paragraf 4 Organisation, vilket motivering finns det till att förslag till styrelse samt föreståndare ska göras av prefekten utan istället av vicerektor? Samt är prefekten vid IGV informerad om den nya formuleringen? Svar: Bolincentret ligger formellt under IGV men är ett väl etablerat samarbete mellan ett flertal institutioner. För att behålla den breda förankringen där alla institutioner känner sig lika delaktiga vill vi gärna att förslag till styrelse och föreståndare sker från en instans ovan institutionsnivå. Prefekten vid IGV godkänner den nya formuleringen.. • Fråga från APL: I ert förslag har ställföreträdande föreståndare byts ut mot biträdande föreståndare - vilken är motiveringen till det? Rektor utser normalt sett inte biträdande föreståndare. Vill ni ändå gå vidare med förslaget om biträdande föreståndare? Svar: Ja, vi önskar biträdande eftersom det är så föreståndarna jobbar idag, men om det finns skäl som vi inte känner till för att behålla ställföreträdande, accepteras det. • Fråga från APL:: I internt vetenskapligt råd nämns att ställföreträdande föreståndare ska vara medlem men på andra ställen står det biträdande föreståndare? Svar: Detta hade missats, vi reviderar enligt vad som överenskommes i punkten ovan. • Fråga från APL:: Vad är motiveringen till att man inte längre ska samråda med respektive organisation angående ledamot från KTH och SMHI? Svar: Detta är ett fel som ska korrigeras, detta kommer att läggas tillbaka i texten. • Fråga från APL: Finansieras Bolincentret bara genom de strategiska satsningarna, och i så fall finns det någon begränsning i tid hur länge detta kommer ske? Vidare: SuKlim nämns här (dock ej i bakgrunden) men det framgår inte riktigt vad SuKlim innebär? Svar: Från regeringen är de strategiska satsningarna permanenta. Vi lägger även till acronymen Suklim och förklarar vad det är. Utöver ovanstående önskar styrelsen även lägga till, under punkt 4: … förslag av vicerektor efter yttrande av områdesnämnden för naturvetenskap och Bolincentrets styrelse. Detta pga. av att SMHI och KTH inte ingår i områdesnämnden för naturvetenskap och annars inte har möjlighet att yttra sig.
§ 11	**Information** a) *Results of workshop between Bolin Centre and Human Science Area* A total of seven proposals and three expressions of interest were submitted in response to the call issued directly after the workshop. The proposals were evaluated by representatives from the Human Science Academic Area and the Bolin Centre for Climate Research.

	Six of the seven full proposals received very positive evaluations, and ranked very close to each other. It was therefore decided to award the available funds (total: 800000 SEK) as follows: 262 000 SEK are reserved for the three projects which were sent in as expressions of interest, and 538 000 SEK are awarded to six full proposals. b) *ESAG report* The Directors reported that they have been given a preliminary report but the final report has still not been received. It seems that the ESAG are not in agreement about what the report should say. The Board asks ESAG to send the report with their different standpoints. They do not need to be in agreement. AS will contact ESAG and ask them to provide this.
§ 12	**Any other business** No other business.
§ 13	**Next meetings** The next board meeting will be 9-12 on May 28, 2018 in the Tarfala room, (T433 in Geoscience building). Coming meetings: August 22, full day at SMHI in Norrköping.

Annika Burström Secretary	Magnus Breitholtz Attester	Cynthia de Wit Chair of the Board