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SU-News

SU signs UN agreement on climate emergency

The agreement was signed in June by Astrid Söderbergh Widding, Rector of Stockholm University. – “We want to show that we really need a drastic change in society to counteract our climate impact. The university plays a major role in the area of environmental and sustainability through research and education. At the same time, we also need to reduce our own climate-impacting emissions” Please read at : <https://www.su.se/miljo/om-milj%C3%B6arbetet/senaste-nyheter/universitetet-skriver-p%C3%A5-fn-avtal-om-klimatarbete-1.451110>

Stockholm University ranks 30th in environmental studies

The QS World University Ranking is regarded as one of the most prestigious ranking lists in the world of higher education. According to the QS World University Ranking 2020 published on June this year, Stockholm University ranks 30th in environmental studies.

Read more about QS Global Word Ranking at:

<https://www.topuniversities.com/universities/stockholm-university>

Rapid permafrost collapse increases greenhouse gas emissions

A new research report, including those from Stockholm University scientists, shows that an abrupt permafrost thaw has important consequences for keeping global warming under 1.5 °C. A “sleeping giant”, in the shape of carbon dioxide, hidden in permafrost soils in northern regions worldwide is waking up and will have important consequences for global warming, says a new report led by Associate Professor Merritt Turetsky, University of Guelph, Canada. The article was published in Nature2 :

<https://www.nature.com/magazine-assets/d41586-019-01313-4/d41586-019-01313-4.pdf>

KLARA has been updated during the summer

You can now use your university account for login. The system is used not only for management of hazard chemicals but also for information and assessment of chemicals risks. List of CMR compounds, Safety Data Sheet (SDS) and risk assessment can be found in KLARA. Please log in and check “KLARA-new face”! www.su.se/KLARA With questions contact beatriz.campos@su.se

MBW-News

Work environmental and environmental group would like to have your input!

The group meets once per month to work with questions relative to work environment, safety and environment at MBW. If you have any questions that you want the group to discuss please contact HR officer: sara.kolborg@su.se. The head of the department is part of the group. Meeting minutes can be found at the link: <https://www.su.se/mbw/mbw-internal/protocols/work-environment-and-environmental-group>

MBW-environmental plan

We are tireless in addressing the need of presence lighting to our landlord, Akademiska hus. This is not only a concern for energy saving but it is also a safety aspect and work environment issue. Please find MBW-environmental plan for 2019 at the link: <https://www.su.se/mbw/mbw-internal/safety-environment-equality/milj%C3%B6handlingsplan>

Rutin for transport of hazardous goods

The technical group is working a in new routine for transport of hazardous goods from our Department to other SU-facilities. Please remember that you should not go into the elevator with hazardous chemicals, liquid nitrogen and/or gas bottles!

Remarking chemicals with the new CLP symbols

Remember that by June 2019, all chemical products that today have the old symbols (orange symbols) must be mark with the new pictograms according to CLP. Sanctions fees are 15,000 - 150,000 SEK. The technical group provides stickers to relabel the chemicals as required.

Courses and events

Introductory meeting with the Technical Group

The technical group wants to invite you to an introduction meeting to inform you about fire safety, environmental policy, and some routines at MBW (washing and sterilization, treatment of hazardous waste, system for management of chemicals (KLARA),etc. All MBWers (old and new) are welcome to participate.

- Date: 3th Oktober,13:30-14:30
- Location: E503, MBW
- Registration via email to beatriz.campos@su.se

Waste management at Stockholm University

You may have noticed that you can now add envelopes, books and post-it notes among the recycled paper. There are some initiatives that the university has made to improve waste management. Come and learn more about the university's waste management. All employees are welcome to participate.

- Date: 16th october, 9:00-11:00
- Location: F614, Southern House, floor 6, house F
- Registration via email to jenny.lilliehook@su.se