

Monday meeting held by Magnus Mörrth 8 February 2021

- **It is still a limitation of 8 people/room** when gathering and be observant when entering common areas like for example our lunch room that this limit prevail. It is still important that those who can be at home should be at home and at the latest press conference FHM believed that this will continue until May this year.
- **On Thursday this week we will have a board meeting.** The main agenda item is a discussion on how to change the evaluation at half time for PhD students. The objective is to simplify the evaluation but at the same time focus on that the PhD will be a success.
- **The position for SIL has now been filled** with Haoyi Yao, a warm welcome to Haoyi. She will start 1 of April.
- **There is a large Baltic Sea Foundation founded, BalticWaters203.**
The foundation will carry out environmental projects based on applied research, which contribute to a healthier Baltic Sea. The foundation will also disseminate knowledge and build public opinion so that decisions are made and measures implemented.
- I remind all of you again that it will be a **teachers' collegium** on 19 February regarding the future about our courses and educations. Intensive work and discussions are now underway to get an agenda for the meeting.
- There are **plans from KVA for the construction of student housing** and research buildings in the Bergianska area, where Plantagen currently rents premises and at the car park. The main alternative discussed for now, if Plantagen chose to move (because they have a lot of heavy transports), is that it will be an organic commercial garden and the new houses built for student housing and research. Stockholm University has taken the stand to not support this as this will be a too excessive intervention of the Bergianska garden area.
- Our field station **Askö Laboratory is celebrating 60 years** this year. How this will be celebrated is for the moment unclear but we hope that this will not go unnoticed. Much research from many researchers at our department have been done at Askö during the years.

- **Environmental policy**

Environmental and work environment risks must be considered during laboratory and field work with chemicals. Everyone who works with chemicals must therefore know and follow the university's Routine for chemical handling as well as the Safety Regulations for IGV and our Policy for risk assessment of working in our laboratories.

Everyone who has been employed for more than 6 months must have signed the last page of the safety regulations (submitted to the head of department). For students and short-term employees, the supervisor / supervisor is responsible for communicating the content of the regulations and ensuring that they are complied with.