

Monday meeting

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 I repeat what I said two weeks ago about, SAMIR- anmäla en säkerhetsavvikelse, polisanmälan, Tillbud/arbetsskada, eller miljöavvikelse. If you do so you will receive confirmation of your registration via e-mail and after that you can also log in and follow the case via the service portal. Since the current temporary system for reporting does not automatically send a copy to the head of department – employees must in addition to the notification in SAMIR, also inform the head of department in the event of serious incidents or accidents.

It is the head of department who is responsible for reporting accidents to the Swedish Social Insurance Agency. When it comes to reporting a serious incident or serious work accident, this is done to the Swedish Work Environment Authority and it must be done without delay, which means that it should preferably be done on the same day. The head of department is responsible for doing this, together with the safety representative, must also investigate what has happened.

 I was recently at a meeting with the university management where information was shared that was not so funny. I will mention a few but not all. The number of students applying to SU is decreasing and it seems to be a trend that exists throughout Europe. We will not reach the ceiling amount in teaching, looks like there will be a deficit of the entire SU of about 50 million (mostly in the HUMSAM area). Unclear if we get paid for the surplus, we have at IGV.

There will be a rent increase of about 10%, for us it means about 1.5 million per year extra, there will be an increased cost support to CPG because the rent is what costs the most at CPG.

In the Tidö agreement that applies to our new government, there is very little about research and education, which is why very little is known about the direction. Our head of the university writes that the agreement promises, among other things, a national research program on mental health and suicide prevention, research on women's diseases and health and special research funds for the area of social efforts against young people in crime. In addition, it states that a new energy research bill will be presented in which 'energy research is fundamentally refocused'. How does that rhyme with the freedom of research? And that "climate policy must be reconciled with research and based on facts', shouldn't that be obvious?

Within the administration, recruitment of a real estate manager and IT manager is underway. It is estimated that we will have a new IT manager shortly and a new real estate manager in mid-November. As for our financial system, the implementation is delayed, everything is stuck in an intermediate position because the company has not been able to deliver what they have said. There is no solution in pipeline as I understand.

The science faculty thinks that the number of PhD students is too few and that the number needs to increase. IGV is one of the departments with few PhD students and we get questions about it all the time. We must discuss on how to increase the numbers.

• The geochemistry master program has passed the first obstacle where GB-AU has suggested to adopt the program on their meeting very soon.

We will have a meeting this week about all master programs at IGV and see how they can be developed.

 The Swedish Society for Marine Sciences annually manages and awards the Dyrssen Award for the two best degree projects in marine sciences at master's level. First prize is SEK 10,000 and second prize SEK 5,000. The award is instituted by SHF in honor of David Dyrssen (1922– 2011), emeritus professor of analytical chemistry at the University of Gothenburg. As one of the founding members of the Swedish Society for Marine Sciences, he spent his career being an active proponent for the promotion of trans-disciplinary research in marine sciences.

The Award is managed by the Swedish Society for Marine Sciences.

Our students Thea Bisander and Emelie Ståhl have been selected as this years' prize winners of the Dyrssen award 2022!

Thea Bisander has been selected as the 1st prize winner of the Dyrssen Award 2022 with the Master's thesis A temporal and spatial study of CH4 sea-to-air fluxes from shallow bays in the archipelago of Stockholm and Trosa.

Emelie Ståhl has been selected as the 2nd prize winner of the Dyrssen Award 2022 with the Master's thesis A test of the use of endospores of thermophilic sulfate-reducing bacteria as oceanographic tracers and bioindicators.

The formal announcement and the price ceremony will take place during the Marine Research Days in Stockholm November 16–18. As the Awardees Thea and Emelie are invited to present their work at the conference and will give each 30-minute presentations on November 17 (15.00 to 17.00) in William Olsson Salen.

• I congratulate Helen that very recently was promoted to professor. Well done and well deserved. Helen is at that Bolin centre board meeting today where they will talk about budget for 2023, strategy for the future and the post-doc programme.

With the post-doc programme we have agreed to share the cost for it if everyone share an equal share.

- We have one guest professor at IGV, Don Porcelli from Oxford university (*donald.porcelli@earth. ox.ac.uk*). He will be here in mid-November (and for a longer stay in late spring/early summer); he will teach about noble gases on the isotope geology course, and he also wanted me to spread the word that everybody that wants to talk with him should schedule a meeting. He specialised in low temperature isotope geochemistry.
- It will be a seminar by Professor Guido Meinhold on *Depositional environment and provenance switch at the edge of Baltica during the late Neoproterozoic and Cambrian*. Thursday 3 November 2022, 15.00–16.00, William-Olsson lecture hall, Geoscience building.

- According to the university's Policy for meetings and travel/Policy for meetings and travel, travel should as far as possible be replaced by digital meeting forms. When a trip is justified, the means of transport that generates the lowest greenhouse gas emissions shall be given priority. Employees and students should, as far as possible, avoid booking flights that include stopovers. If there are no special reasons, means of transport other than air travel must be used for journeys shorter than 700 kilometers. In connection with local travel in Sweden, and also abroad, public transport must primarily be used, secondly taxis with green cars or other ground-based traffic with lower carbon dioxide emissions.
- I and Helen will soon start teaching a lot. Next Monday meeting is therefore on the 14th of November.

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