CIH staff meeting for scientific personnel on Monday 15 Feb 2021 13-14

Present: Bente, Gunhild, Anne Berit, Ane J, Marte, Sven Gudmund, Theogene, Vilde, Ane S, David, Ingunn, Ana Lorena, Astrid, Thorkild, Graziella, Ingvild FS, Karen Marie

Agenda:

1. News from each of the participants

Each participant informed about their current work. Two topics were of interest to many. **REDCap,** a secure web application for building and managing online surveys and databases. Can our researchers use this? How to get started? In the course Experimental Epidemiology that is running at CIH these days, someone talked about this today (15.02). Thorkild will make sure that this recording will be available for us in MittUiB.

Travel issues; can we send students on field work or internship? How soon will it be realistic to start planning for travel for project meetings? We should follow UiB guidelines: https://www.uib.no/en/corona/141957/corona-are-you-going-travel-norway-or-abroad Here are the current guidelines for business travel for you who are a UiB employee, and they give us a new link to utavelous-utave

https://www.helsenorge.no/en/coronavirus/international-travels/

At present, The Ministry of Foreign Affairs (UD) advises against all international travel that is not strictly necessary.

2. General information/discussions

- The Corona situation

Home office and digital teaching continues this week.

- Planning the point from our activity plan in the strategy for CIH: Organizing an annual open CIH day to promote collaboration *in Bergen*.

We should find a date in the autumn, to hopefully have a physical meeting. Should not be in week 40, 41. NTNU/Global Health Norway has their day on October 2, avoid this one.

- Spring courses - need for knowledge about people who will be paid

If you have external teachers in your course, to be paid by the hour, you need to have funding for this. If you do not have funding, you need to ask if CIH has funds that you can use. There is a new routine for payment following the new financial system. Anne Berit works with Eli on this, and you can contact her. Anne Berit will look into number of hours allowed for hourly pay for CIH.

-Announcement of Samarbeidsmidler fra Global Challenges

This if funding for cooperation between faculties. You can apply for meetings, application support and so on. It must be related to one of the topics migration, health, inequality.

-Announcement of new PhDs from Global Challenges

2 phd-positions are announced. A research environment should submit a short sketch, must be at least to faculties included and it must be related to one of the topics migration, health, inequality.

-Asked for meeting with IGS leadership on the Norhed and co-operation between projects Bente will meet with IGS leadership hopefully this week.

-AOB

Next Monday 22/2: Several of us look for a platform where we can share documents with people in for instance African countries. This might be done using Teams as platform for communication. Kjell Arne Johansson will tell us about his experience here in our next staff meeting. He wants to do this in Teams, so next Monday's staff meeting will be on Teams. Please have questions ready. You will all be invited into a CIH team created for this by Anne Berit.