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## **Fagevaluering av biovitenskap 2022-2023 – Terms of references**

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Norges forskningsråd skal evaluere norsk biovitenskapelig forskning. Evalueringen vil pågå i 2022 og 2023. Hovedmålet med fagevalueringen er å vurdere kvaliteten på norsk biovitenskapelig forskning, rammebetingelsene for forskningen og forskningens relevans for sentrale samfunnsområder. Evalueringen skal resultere i anbefalinger til institusjonene, Forskningsrådet og departementene.

For at evalueringen skal være nyttig for forskningsinstitusjonenes strategiske utvikling, skal det utvikles evalueringsmandater for hver enkelt institusjon. Forskningsrådet har satt fem kriterier som de ønsker institusjonene vurdert fra:

- a. Strategi, ressurser og organisering
- b. Forskningsproduksjon, kvalitet og integritet
- c. Mangfold og likeverd
- d. Relevans for institusjonelle og sektorielle formål
- e. Samfunnsrelevans

I tillegg har institusjonen mulighet til å foreslå egne vurderingskriterier.

Universitetsmuseet ved Avdeling for naturhistorie vurderer de fem kriteriene satt opp fra Forskningsrådet som relevante for museet og har ikke foreslått ytterligere vurderingskriterier.

### **Forslag til vedtak**

Universitetsmuseets styre slutter seg til premissene for evalueringen i tråd med det fremlagte

«*Terms of references*»

# Terms of References (ToR)

The board of the University Museum mandates the evaluation committee appointed by the Research Council of Norway (RCN) to assess the University Museum based on the following Terms of Reference.

## **Assessment**

You are asked to assess the organisation, quality and diversity of research conducted by the University Museum as well as its relevance to institutional and sectoral purposes, and to society at large. You should do so by judging the unit's performance based on the following five assessment criteria (a. to e.). Be sure to take current international trends and developments in science and society into account in your analysis.

- a) Strategy, resources and organisation
- b) Research production, quality and integrity
- c) Diversity and equality
- d) Relevance to institutional and sectoral purposes
- e) Relevance to society

In addition, we would like your report to provide a qualitative assessment of the University Museum as a whole in relation to its strategic targets. The committee assesses the strategy that the administrative unit intends to pursue in the years ahead and the extent to which it will be capable of meeting its targets for research and society during this period based on available resources and competence. The committee is also invited to make recommendations concerning these two subjects.

## **Documentation**

The necessary documentation will be made available by the life sciences secretariat at Technopolis Group.

The documents will include the following:

- a report on research personnel and publications within life sciences commissioned by RCN
- a self-assessment based on a template provided by the life sciences secretariat

## **Interviews with representatives from the evaluated units**

Interviews with the University Museum will be organised by the evaluation secretariat. Such interviews can be organised as a site visit, in another specified location in Norway or as a video conference.

## **Statement on impartiality and confidence**

The assessment should be carried out in accordance with the *Regulations on Impartiality and Confidence in the Research Council of Norway*. A statement on the impartiality of the committee members has been recorded by the RCN as a part of the appointment process. The impartiality and confidence of committee and panel members should be confirmed when evaluation data from the University Museum are made available to the committee and the panels, and before any assessments are made based on these data. The RCN should be notified if questions concerning impartiality and confidence are raised by committee members during the evaluation process.

## **Assessment report**

We ask you to report your findings in an assessment report drawn up in accordance with a format specified by the life sciences secretariat. The committee may suggest adjustments to this format at its first meeting. A draft report should be sent to the University Museum and RCN by [date]. The University Museum should be allowed to check the report for factual inaccuracies; if such inaccuracies are found, they should be reported to the life sciences secretariat no later than two weeks after receipt of the draft report. After the committee has made the amendments judged necessary, a corrected version of the assessment report should be sent to the board of the University Museum and the RCN no later than two weeks after all feedback on inaccuracies has been received from the University Museum.