Summary of AUPA meeting 18th of June

1. Formalities
   • Election of Chair: Steen Fagerberg
   • Election of minute-taker: Malene Alber Lassen
   • Last meeting is approved

2. Welcome to Malene (new secretary) and brainstorming about how we most optimally use her qualifications
   • Malene is the new secretary. Her job is to be minute-taker at AUPA’s meetings as well as update AUPA’s homepage and facebook.
   • Malene will be granted access to Typo 3 and dropbox within a few weeks.

3. Update from local PhD associations
   • Business and Social Sciences
     o A new PhD association has been constituted. Jonas Nygaard Eriksen is elected as chairman and Marie Kjærgaard is elected as the deputy chairperson. Psychology did not participate in the meeting but there will be a candidate from Psychology later on. This means that the board is representative with one candidate from each program.
   • Health
     o International Day has been changed to an evening event. A meeting has been set up with Lise Vogensen. There are some problems with finding a room for the event.
   • Science and Technology
     o A mentoring scheme is initiated. It is considered to hire a person to be in charge of the mentoring scheme.

4. Update of phd.au.dk
   • Everybody from the board needs to write a short introduction of themselves
   • Posters of “Who is presenting you” is going to be put up within a few days

5. Revisiting plan on addressing Stress and loneliness together with the pro-deans
   • AUPA will look further into the APV. The prodeans from Aarhus University have invited AUPA to a meeting where the prodeans and AUPA can discuss the APV.
   • It was decided to wait with AUPA’s own investigation of the APV until after the meeting with the prodeans.
   • It was discussed at the meeting if AUPA should compromise their criticism of the APV when meeting the prodeans. It was decided that AUPA should not compromise their core areas in regard to the APV.
• AUPA will try to collect email lists from WAYFY or from the different PhD schools in order for AUPA to be able to contact their members.

7) Update on communication experiment (discussion point from last meeting)
• There has been a meeting with Nikolaj. The conclusion from the meeting was that a "PhD-fight" probably would scare off some students. Further the folk university should be involved in order for the participants to give their presentation there. This will be discussed further in the next meeting.
• Nikolaj will be visiting one of AUPA’s meetings during the fall.
• In the meeting it was further discussed that the event also should be a social event.

8) Invitation to process on "re-thinking the PhD thesis"
• AUPA is invited to a meeting to discuss the process on “re-thinking the PhD thesis”. The board members from AUPA with knowledge on how to write a thesis are encouraged to consider whether they would like to participate in the meeting. It was suggested that the post-docs should come as well.

9) How do we make AUPA more representative? (Point of discussion)
• It was discussed whether the annual general meeting should be open or not. This will be discussed later on again.

10) Distribution of posters
• Posters have been printed and every AUPA board member is given posters to distribute at their institute.

11) Planning of next meeting
• Next meeting will be Thursday 12th of September at 16.15-18.00. A doodle will be sent to the board members later on.
• If the meeting with the pro-deans does not turn out the way AUPA wants it too, a meeting before 12th of September might be necessary.

12) Any other business
• At AUPA’s homepage there should be a “sign up”-category for PhD students to be able to submit their details. Malene will take care of this.