



AGENDA FOR AUPA'S BOARD MEETING

TIME: 16.00-18.00

LOCATION: Building 5220, room 214

GUESTS:

ABSENT WITH APOLOGY:

1. Welcome
2. Formalities
 - Election of chairman: Kristoffer Ibsen
 - Approval of minutes from the last meeting (available via Dropbox)
 - i. The minutes have been approved
3. News
 - New members
 - i. We have three new members: Fie, Maria and Francesco
 - ii. Trine adds them to the mailing list and gives access to the DropBox Folder
 - PAND
 - i. At the last PAND meeting they were discussing the fact that they need to spend the rest of the money from this year so that there will be no cutting in their budget
 - A. Should AUPA apply for money at PAND for the conference in February? Is that possible?
 - HAMU
 - i. Next meeting is in November
 - Responsibilities in the coming months
 - i. Kristoffer will go to his research stay abroad, and he will not be able to join all of our meetings
 - ii. Juliane and Nadine are in charge of the meeting, and they will approve the agenda and the minutes
 - iii. AUPA has one seat in the Well-being committee. Meeting on 24th of November at 11:30-13:00.
 - A. Nadine will attend the meeting
 - iv. Hadi is finishing his PhD, and therefore we need to appoint a new treasurer
 - A. Francesco will be the new treasurer (Hadi helps Francesco)
4. PhD coaching and workshops
 - AUPA could apply for money at PAND for individual coaching sessions
 - i. Kristoffer will apply for that
 - Trine puts the workshops on the website

- Trine will be contact person for the workshops
 - DM (Dansk Magisterforening) suggested to make a workshop on the Imposter Syndrome
 - i. The workshop will be on the 14th of November at 4pm with a maximum of 50 people
 - ii. The workshop will contain a 10-minute presentation of what DM is, and then an hour for the workshop
 - iii. It will cost 2000 kr.
 - iv. Trine will book a room for the workshop and make a sign-up link in Conference Manager (remember to put dietary restrictions in the sign-up link)
 - v. There will be sandwiches, which AUPA will pay for
 - vi. There should be someone to introduce AUPA in the beginning of the workshop
 - A. Juliane can be there, Fie will probably join too
5. Events for the rest of the year including the conference January
- Social events
 - i. We could make some regular meetings in e.g. Studenterhuset
 - A. Dinners/networking/social meetings/share experiences
 - B. There should be an academic part of the event in order to use money from AUPA. It could be a 30-minute talk on different academic topics
 - C. AUPA has approx. 25.000 kr. to spend for the rest of the year
 - The Conference
 - i. The conference will be on **Friday 10th of February 2023**
 - ii. We will discuss topics/speakers/roles/responsibilities at next board meeting
 - A. Suggestions for topics: Different ways to communicate your research/pitching/innovation/entrepreneurship etc.
 - iii. The most important thing is to find presenters/speakers and start contacting them
 - iv. Should AUPA promote the conference at the “Welcome to PhD Study”?
6. Increasing visibility of AUPA
- Introduction days
 - i. Introduction Day for NAT/TECH is on Wednesday 9th of November 2022
 - ii. Francesco will do a talk about what AUPA is doing. The slides are already made (remember to include the conference in February)
 - A. Juliane sends an e-mail to Francesco regarding the talk
 - iii. Juliane did a talk on the introduction day at BSS, and William did one on the introduction day at ARTS

- The e-mail for the PhD Programme Heads
 - i. We will wait with the e-mail until we have settled the DM-workshop and the workshop with Linda
 - A. Juliane sends the mail to the AUPA board members so that they can review it (and maybe we can send it out next time)
7. Improving well-being
- There was a meeting in well-being committee
 - i. The PhD Schools Leaders are happy with what AUPA is doing. Continue the good work!
 - ii. They talked about the results from the APV
 - A. The results weren't good in terms of loneliness and stress among PhD Students as was also the case in previous surveys.
 - iii. Not all PhD students get MUS-samtaler (Staff Development Interviews), which is mandatory by law to have every year
 - A. We want to ensure that everybody has MUS-samtaler/ Staff Development Interviews
 - iv. There is a lot of insecurity about what happens if a PhD student doesn't hand in their dissertation in time
 - A. This is especially a problem experienced at ARTS
 - v. Also, insecurity about what to do if a PhD student wants to stay in academia after finishing the PhD
 - vi. In most disciplines the students can't apply for money themselves (the supervisor must do it) → what could we do about that?
 - 4+4
 - i. Martin and William started working on a list with the issues in terms of being a 4+4 PhD (e.g., insurance)
 - A. Inputs are welcome, the list can be seen in DropBox
8. Extra services for employed PhD students with disabilities
- Specific case is dyslexia, and the question is which services may be available
 - i. This item will be added to the next meeting's agenda
9. AUPA including scientific assistants in events?
- Scientific assistants or research assistants are often "lost", because they are not part of PhDs or PostDocs, and there are no guidelines
 - AUPA's policy is that PhDs are number one priority, but if there is room for more, there is room for PostDocs and Research Assistants as well
 - Regarding AUPA events: Postdocs and research assistants can enter the events if there are any seats left, but PhD students are of course first priority
10. Junior Researcher Association, JRA, would like more cooperation with AUPA

- <https://talent.au.dk/for-junior-researchers/the-junior-researcher-association>
- We didn't discuss this item; it will be on the agenda for the next meeting

11. PhD and Postdoc Activity Group

- Follow up with Damian (mail)
 - i. Kristoffer received an e-mail from Damian regarding the potential merger of AUPA and the Activity Group
 - A. The Activity Group can't get funding if there aren't any academic purposes of the events
 - B. Damian suggests that the Activity Group becomes a part of AUPA
 - ii. There are some issues about this merger:
 - A. What about PostDocs?
 - B. Will Activity Group keep their own funding? Are they going to have their own treasurer? How will Activity Group recruit new members?
 - C. If Activity Group becomes a part of AUPA, will AUPA then eventually take over all the separate events?

12. The FAQ-page

- The page is now online, but how do we promote it?
 - i. Trine will make a "FAQ-box" in the frontpage of the site "For Current PhD Students" in order to make the FAQ page more visible
 - ii. Can we ask for space in the different PhD faculty newsletters?
 - A. Then we can promote the FAQ, events and so on
 - iii. Shokouh will find out who the persons responsible for the newsletters are
 - iv. Juliane has made a channel on Teams

13. Deciding on the date for the next board meeting and any other business?

- Trine sends out a doodle