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Valg av verneombud (VO)

Innenfor hvert verneområde skal det velges ett verneombud og varaverneombud. Oversikt over verneområdene finnes på HMS-portalen (<http://www.uib.no/poa/hms-portalen/ressurser/verneombud/verneomraader>) Institutt for informatikk er ett verneområde. Vårt verneombud er Liljan Myhr, og vara er Michal Walicki. Deres nåværende valgperiode utløper 31.12.2012. Om ønskelig er de villig til å ta gjenvalg for 2 nye år.

Alle ansatte innenfor et verneområde og lokale fagforeninger som organiserer ansatte i det aktuelle verneområdet, har rett til å foreslå kandidater. Forslag til kandidater til verneombud og varaverneombud sendes skriftlig på eget skjema som kan fås hos adm.sjef, og leveres til denne, innen onsdag 7. november.

Dersom det innen fristen kun foreligger forslag på én kandidat med stedfortreder, anses disse som valgt ved fristens utløp. I områder hvor det er kommet inn forslag på flere kandidater, kaller leder/valgansvarlig inn til valg møte, eventuelt kan POA være behjelpelig med elektroniske valg. Valgene skal være holdt innen onsdag 14. november.

Dersom det ikke foreligger forslag på kandidater i et verneområde, utpeker instituttleder eller avdelingsdirektør verneombud og varaverneombud.

Reminder information meetings PagaWeb

PagaWeb is a web version of the UiB Personnel system Paga. In this system you can logon to see personnel related matters. It will be used for travel reimbursement, monthly pay, etc. (Your paper copy of the salary slip will not be mailed out any more.)

There will be information meetings for people that would like more detailed info about this in the auditorium Egget in the student center.

The dates for the information meetings held in English are as follows:

Tuesday 20th November from 13.00-15.00

Friday 23rd November from 10.00-12.00

The dates for the information meetings held in Norwegian are as follows:

Tuesday 13th November, 10-12 and 13-15

Thursday 15th November, 10-12 and 13-15

Tuesday 20nd November, 10-12

Department Seminar Thursday 22nd November at 14.15

Well in advance we ask you to notice this date, when the PUT group invites you to a Department Seminar with the speaker Roy Cook: <http://www95.homepage.villanova.edu/roy.cook/>
More information will be given later.

Reminder: Christmas Party 23rd November

For those of you that have joined our Department during the last weeks, please note that you are most welcome to our Julebord/Christmas party at the 23rd November. We would like to repeat the success of last year, by coming together before Christmas and enjoying the company of both our colleagues and the students. A committee is working on the program, thus more information will be given later, but please mark your calendar for this excellent night out together.

Gathering for Torleiv Kløve Monday 26th November at 14.00

The former Head of Department, Torleiv Kløve, retired at 31th October, and is now professor emeritus . We would like to show him our gratitude for the excellent work he has done for the Department of Informatics, and you are all invited to the lunch room at 4th floor Monday 26th November at 14.00.

New application period for the cottages at Ustaaset – deadline 15th November

It is now possible to apply for U-heimen, Otteshheimen and Butten at Ustaaset for the winter period 6th January until 1st April 2013. Both the school winter holiday and Easter are included in this period.

Please use the UiB electronic cabin system by logging in with your registered username and password. The first time you log on the system you must enter some information, for example invoice address. All applications must be registered in the electronic cabin system to be included in the draw.

Application forms and information can be found on the Intranett under "Sentrale pekere" "Søknadsskjema for UiB hytter". The application deadline is 15th November, drawing will be done 16th November.

Science Pub at VilVite 8th November

Science Pub er et nytt tilbud ved VilVite – rettet mot voksne – for deg som kjenner VilVite og for alle andre lekne og vitelystne voksne. Det blir spennende program, du kan oppleve den nye utstillingen 'Hjernen' og hygge deg i godt selskap. Kom rett fra jobb – eller stikk hjemom først. Påmelding – se nedenfor.

Tema 8.11.: Din fantastiske hjerne!

1700-2100 Åpen utstilling. Pub + salg av lapskaus fra kl. 1630.

1800-1840 Foredrag: Kan vi se inn i sjelen? Lær nytt om hjernen fra hjerneforsker Kenneth Hugdahl, spesialist på scanning av hjernen.

1900-1945 Hvordan huske det du vil? Møt Nordens beste i hukommelse: Ola Kåre Risa.
2100 Slutt

Billett kr 100,-. Billetten inkluderer adgang til utstillingen og kveldens program.

Påmelding innen 5. november. Arrangementet har 18. års aldersgrense. Påmelding til

www.vilvite.no/sciencepub

Horizons lecture 5th November

Monday 5th November 2012 at 18.00, Egget, Studentsenteret

Can Machines Be Creative Enough To Invent Their Own Language?

Luc Steels, Institut de Biologia Evolutiva (CSIC-UPF) in Barcelona and director of the Sony Computer Science Laboratory in Paris. Followed by debate with Terje Lohndal, "the Mozart of linguistics".

We are pleased to offer a snack and refreshments in advance of the lecture that begins at 18.15.

For details and more information:

<http://www.uib.no/matnat/gjesteforelesning/2012/10/luc-steels-and-terje-lohndal-can-machines-be-creative-enough-to-invent-their-own-language>

The lecture is open to all. Welcome!

Meltzer Foundation and Bergen University Fund – deadline 1st December

Remember the annual opportunity to apply for support from the Meltzer Foundation and the Bergen University Fund.

Application deadline is December 1, 13:00. The electronic application forms opened November 1.

The Meltzer foundation:

Researchers, ph.d.-candidates and students at the University of Bergen are invited to apply for support for research projects, research related travels, etc..

See <http://www.meltzerfondet.no> for further application guidelines/advice. Then application form will also be available here from Nov.1.

Bergen University Fund

The fund "contributes to the university meeting the requirements of its objects clause, with particular emphasis on promoting basic research, other scholarly activity and the dissemination and publication of research at the University of Bergen".

See <http://www.uib.no/fond/> for further info and application form.

Note that Ph.d.s have to be formally admitted (enrolled) to the ph.d.-program to be eligible for applying for this kind of funding.

So, ph.ds who wants to apply for Meltzer funding have to submit their application for admission to the ph.d.-program (together with all necessary documents) no later than November 12.

Questions related to ph.d.-admission? Contact Steinar.

Questions related to project/application budgeting? Contact Liv Rebecca.

Research related to and in cooperation with Brazil – deadline 28th November

NOK 24 million is available for (1) Researcher projects and (2) Personal postdoctoral research fellowships contributing to the knowledge about Latin America in Norway. Priority will be given to research related to and in cooperation with Brazil, contributing to development and poverty reduction.

The call is open for proposals under all 5 priority areas established in the Program Plan, e.g.:

- . Politics and governance
- . Culture and society
- . Economy, industry, business and markets
- . Natural resources: management, exploitation and conservation (i.a. climate change, renewable energies, pollution, biodiversity)
- . Poverty, Inequality and Human Development

Special priority is assigned to proposals dealing with Brazil, involving collaboration between Norwegian and Brazilian researchers and contributing to development and poverty reduction.

Applications relating to other Latin American countries are also welcome.

APPLICATION DEADLINE: November 28th, 2012.

For full information about the call, please go to

<http://www.forskningsradet.no/en/Funding/LATINAMERIKA/1253980639718/p1184150364108?projectId=1207296352487&visAktive=true>

Marie Curie Career Integration grants – deadline 7th March 2013

Det kan søkes om opp til 25.000€ tilskudd per år over maks 4 år for forskere som kom fra utlandet til UiB innen de siste 12 månedene. Pengene kan brukes relativt fritt til for eksempel utstyr, reiser eller lønn. For rådgiverne i FA er dette en fin måte å treffe nye fast ansatte på instituttene. Så hvis det er noen som kunne passe, ta gjerne kontakt med Anja Hegen, hun jobber nå 50% igjen.

Forskere på MatNat har vært veldig flink med å søke og får tildelt stipendiet, det er 2 forskere på GFI og en på Geovitenskap som har fått innvilget prosjektene.

Såkorntflysning NORHED – frist 5. november

NORHED er Norges nye program for forskning og utdanning i fattige land. Det kan søkes om såkorntmidler opptil hhv NOK 150.000,-, hvis en partnerinstitusjon fra LMIC, eller NOK 250.000,-, hvis mer enn en partnerinstitusjon fra LMIC. Se Norads hjemmeside for programdokument og utfyllende informasjon om såkorntmidlene, inkludert søkerveiledning og søknadsskjema: <http://www.norad.no/en/support/norhed/call-for-norhed-seed-funding-2012>. Norad har videre informert om at hovedutlysningen vil komme i løpet av fjerde kvartal 2012.

Søknader om såkorntmidler ferdigstilles ihht Norads krav på ovennevnte engelskspråklige side: <http://www.norad.no/en/support/norhed/call-for-norhed-seed-funding-2012>

For å kunne ha en oversikt over søknader som UiB er involvert i, ber vi om at en kopi av alle søknader sendes per e-post til institusjonskontakt for NORHED Kristin Svartveit (Kristin.Svartveit@adm.uib.no) ved FA.

Academic Writing Workshop with focus on English usage, 27 and 28 November

This is a two-day workshop in academic writing designed for PhD candidates where the focus is on the use of English, not the writing process. The workshop will be relevant for all disciplines at UiB and judging from past evaluations it will be useful for both international and Norwegian candidates. The workshop includes individual discussion of edited texts submitted by participants before the course. As the use of web resources is central, participants should bring a laptop with Internet.

Learning outcomes: The course will help participants to write and publish documents in academic English. Participants will become familiar with a variety of web-based resources.

Target group: UiB PhD candidates, however other academic staff at UiB are welcome to apply. The workshop will be in English.

Lecturer: Stewart Clark, Senior Adviser, NTNU and English language consultant.

Venue: Christies gate 18 room 3.43/3.44

Time: 8.30-15.30 each day. (27 and 28 November 2012)

Contact Ellen M Grong at the Human Resources Department for additional information. (email: ellen.grong@adm.uib.no)