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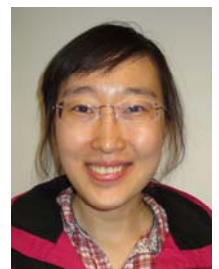
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### **New PhD-student: Bo Sun**

We would like to welcome our new PhD-student Bo Sun. She comes from China, and she will work at the Selmer Centre with security issues. Hope you will have some interesting and nice years in Bergen.



### **Liljan Myhr 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary – congratulations!**

Our energetic and kind-hearted personnel officer Liljan celebrated her 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary this week, Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> April. Congratulations from all of your colleagues, we really appreciate that you are a part of the II-team!



## **Department gathering in Rosendal 15<sup>th</sup> to 16<sup>th</sup> April 2013 – meet at 08.30**

The gathering will be held Monday 15<sup>th</sup> to Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> April in Rosendal, <http://www.rosendal-fjordhotel.no/eng/>. We will take the fast ferry from Bergen harbour at 08.50, with arrival Rosendal at 10.45. Return from Rosendal Tuesday at 14.25, arrival Bergen 16.20. **Please meet Monday morning at the Blaauwhopen quay north of Strandkai terminalen (close to the Fish market) at 08.30.** The program and a map with the meeting point will be distributed by e-mail later today.

## **Election of new rector and members to the University Board**

Reminder: There is an upcoming election where the students and the employees of the university will vote to elect a new rector and a new university board. The election will take place between April 17 and 24, and there are lots of events going on these days presenting the rector candidates and inviting to discussions between the rector teams. We encourage all our students and employees to participate in the election and try to get to know the candidates. For more information see: <http://www.uib.no/ledelsen/en/organisation/the-university-board/election-of-members-to-the-university-board-2013>  
<http://atakan-for-reaktorvalget-2013.no/>  
<http://teamolsen2013.no/>

## **Department seminar Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> April at 14.15**

The Optimization group invites you all to the following Department Seminar:

Title: Stochastic network design

Speaker: Stein W. Wallace, Department of Business and Management Science, NHH

Abstract: This talk focuses on whether or not it is important to include operational uncertainty in network design models, or if the handling of uncertainty can be postponed to the operational stage of decision-making. The focus will be on understanding how optimal solutions from stochastic network design models differ from their deterministic counterparts (where random variables are replaced by their means), and to what extent these differences can teach us something about operational flexibility. Finally we ask: If a deterministic solution is really bad in a random environment, can it still be useful?

## **Department meeting on gender issues 13th May at 16.00**

The department women's network is happy to invite all employees, both female and male, to the annual department meeting on gender issues, to enjoy an evening on the subject of equal opportunities and gender balance in academics and computer science, with dinner afterwards.



The date is Monday 13<sup>th</sup> May. We meet in the II-reception at 4<sup>th</sup> floor at 16.00 in the afternoon, and walk to a hotel in the city centre (later specified) where we will have the meeting. We start with an introductory short talk on the topic by our own department head Petter Bjørstad. Then there will be a talk by Professor and Vice-rector for International Relations Astri Andresen. She is professor at the Department of Archaeology, History, Cultural Studies and Religion, and her research topics are

history of health and medicine, childhood history, and sami history. After the talk we would like to invite you to an informal dinner at the hotel, and enjoy the company of your colleagues.

Please register for this meeting at [anne.lien@ii.uib.no](mailto:anne.lien@ii.uib.no) within 6<sup>th</sup> May. As space is limited, we will accept registrations on a first-come first-served basis. Welcome!

### **Utlysning av midler til prosjekt innen IKT-støttet fleksibel høyere utdanning**

Norgesuniversitetet lyser nå ut midler til prosjekt innen IKT-støttet fleksibel høyere utdanning for 2014. Alle norske høyere læresteder kan søke. Kunnskapsdepartementet har gitt føringer for bruken av prosjektmidlene. Se veiledningene på følgende nettside <http://norgesuniversitetet.no/utlysninger/utlysning2014>

Norgesuniversitetets elektroniske søknadsskjema skal nyttes - bruk lenken ovenfor, "Opprett søknad" øverst på siden. Veiledning til utfylling av de enkelte punktene i søknadsskjemaet finnes i selve skjemaet. Søknaden sendes instituttet innen 6. mai, som så skal sendes videre for godkjenning på UiB sentralt.

Størrelsen på Norgesuniversitetets prosjektpott for 2014 vil først bli klar i statsbudsjettet for 2014, som vedtas til høsten. Denne utlysningen er derfor gjort med forbehold om Stortingets budsjettvedtak.

### **Søknad om forskningstermin I 2014 eller perioden høst 2014 – vår 2015, -frist 1. mai Applications for research sabbatical must be submitted to the Department administration within 1<sup>st</sup> May**

Fakultetet gir instituttene frist til mandag 3. juni 2013, for å oversende søknadene om forskningstermin samlet og i prioritert rekkefølge. Den enkelte forsker skal imidlertid levere egen søknad til instituttet i god tid før denne fristen. I henhold til "Retningslinjer for tildeling av forskningstermin for vitenskapelige stillinger ved Universitetet i Bergen", er frist for søknad om forskningstermin 1. mai. Kriteriene som skal legges til grunn for prioritering av søknadene, samt rundskriv og skjema, kan hentes på følgende nettside: <http://www.uib.no/matnat/om-fakultetet/for-ansatte-ved-fakultetet/forskningstermin>

I søknaden om forskningstermin må det gis en redegjørelse for hvordan forskningsterminen planlegges anvendt; herunder faglig innhold, forskningsterminens betydning for eget fagmiljø etc. Kravene til disposisjon ved utarbeidelse av søknad om forskningstermin som framgår av kriterienes side 2, må følges. Dersom det også søkes om midler til økonomisk støtte ved utenlandsopphold under forskningstermin, må det utarbeides en klar prosjektomtale for utenlandsoppholdet, jfr. kriteriene.

Fakultetsstyret har tidligere vedtatt å prioritere langtidsopphold ved utenlandske læresteder siden erfaringene tilsier at dette som oftest gir et større utbytte av forskningsterminen. Ifølge kriteriene for prioritering av forskningstermin er det derfor et krav om **minimum** 3 måneders sammenhengende utenlandsopphold for at det skal gis økonomisk støtte.

For at fakultetet skal få detaljinformasjon når det gjelder beregning av kostnader til reise og opphold ved et eventuelt utenlandsopphold, har fakultetet utarbeidet et eget skjema for dette som må fylles ut. For satser og forutsetninger for reisestøtte ved utenlandsopphold, se kriterienes side 2.

*Fakultetet har begrensede midler til rådighet til dekning av reise- og oppholdsutgifter ved utenlandsopphold. Det kan derfor være et alternativ for den enkelte forsker å legge inn opphold under forskningstermin i prosjektsøknader.*

Vi gjør spesielt oppmerksom på at det i tråd med fakultetets handlingsplan for bedring av kjønnsbalansen i vitenskapelige stillinger, åpnes for at kvinnelige førsteamanuenser kan innvilges forskningstermin etter halv opptjeningsstid de to første forskningsterminene (dog ikke utover oppnådd professorkompetanse).

Fra og med 2013 har Meltzerfondet en egen utlysning av støtte til forskningstermin. Fakultetet vil samkjøre tildeling av forskningstermin og støtte til utenlandsopphold med Meltzerfondets tildelinger.

### **Information meeting with the Tax Office and about scholarships for research visits**

The Centre of International Mobility will arrange two interesting meetings:

A meeting with the Tax Office 16<sup>th</sup> April at 16.00 at the Student Centre

<http://www.uib.no/researchmobility/arrangement/2013/02/information-meeting-about-tax-and-tax-return-2>

A meeting about scholarships for research visits abroad 17<sup>th</sup> April at 16.00

<http://www.uib.no/researchmobility/arrangement/2013/02/information-meeting-about-scholarships-and-practicalities-for-research-visits-to-other-countries>



### **To the PhD-students: Information meeting about Researcher Grand Prix 2013 7<sup>th</sup> May**

Would you like to improve your research? Come to the information meeting 7<sup>th</sup> May 11.00-12.00 at the Communication Department in 2<sup>nd</sup> floor, Stein Rokkans hus, and learn about the competition Researcher Grand Prix 2013. For registration and more information:

<http://www.uib.no/form/arrangement/2013/03/fgp-2013>

### **Invitation to media contact course for women –deadline 19<sup>th</sup> April**

*Were you aware that two in three NRK sources are men? And that men are quoted four times as often as women in the media?*

UiB wants to help change this, and is now organizing a media contact course for female senior research fellows and postdoctorate research fellows, one in English and one in Norwegian.

The course date for the course in English is May 29<sup>th</sup>. There are places for eight participants per day. Registration before April 19<sup>th</sup>, using online form:

<http://skjemaker.app.uib.no/view.php?id=393>

## **UiB Global to Award Scholarships for the Development of Project Applications**

A new call for applications offers an opportunity to prospective post-doctoral researchers who plan to develop a project in the spring of 2013. The deadline is 15 April. The call is for 4 scholarships for the development of project applications in the field of global and development-related research

For more information please see

<http://www.uib.no/research/global/nyheter/2013/03/uib-global-to-award-scholarships-for-the-development-of-project-applications>