

Date: March 17, 2005

Attended by: Kurt, Silje, Erwin, Torun, Eirik, Vishwas, Magnus Hakvåg (first part), and Andreas (last part).

Minutes Prepared by: Vishwas

Summary:

A number of issues were discussed and common consensus was obtained on most of the cases. The date of next annual meeting and agenda for the meeting was finalized. Information about various activities about EU organization and national organization (SiN) was discussed.

Topic discussed: Date and agenda of next annual meeting.

Proposed by: Torun

1. It was decided to arrange the next annual meeting of DION on 2nd May 2005 at 2 PM. The meeting will followed by an election for new board members.
2. To attract active participation of more students various schemes were discussed. Some of the key ideas were person to person contacting, email notification and distribution of the DION brochure. All the board members will strive for person to person contacting. Eirik will follow up the email initiative. Magnus will prepare written information about the meeting and will forward it to Torun. The information about the meeting will be posted on "Innsida" Monday 18th April, and distributed on e-mail two days prior to the meeting (Eirik will take care of this). A news letter will be sent out before our annual meeting, to tempt Ph.D candidates to join DION.
3. Magnus will give a presentation about (45 min) patents and intellectual property rights in the annual meeting.
4. It was also decided to prepare a summary of DION activities in the form of annual report as well as news letter and circulate among students and members. Torun will prepare a draft of this summary.
5. Eirik will take care of the logistic part of arranging the meeting in terms of room and projector reservation and seating arrangement.
6. Most of the information on the DION website is available in English, nevertheless all required and remaining information will be translated in English.
7. During the annual meeting Torun will present the annul report as well as the budget.
8. As suggested by Silje, planning of the next years DION activities and feedback from the audience will be taken.
9. Last but not least, pizza will be served at the end of the meeting and Torun will take care of this delicious activity.

Topic discussed: Information file (Informasjonsperm).

Proposed by: Erwin

1. Erwin will coordinate with different student organization and fill out the necessary information required to complete the booklet. It was aimed to finish this booklet before August 2005 as this was peak time for joining new Ph.D. students.

Topic discussed: SiN Platform/Corner (SiNs hjørne).

Proposed by: Erwin

1. Erwin briefed everybody about the activities of SiN and his experience with the last EURODOC conference. Ph.D. student organizations from about 20 countries participated in this international event. It was noted that Norway is at forefront in implementing codes and conducts for Ph.D. students.
2. It was also mentioned that active participation at EU level from DION team is whole heartedly welcome.

3. Andreas will try to represent DION in the upcoming EURODOC meeting in Bergen on implementation of the Bologna Process.
4. Eirik informed about the DION newsletter circulation. It is commendable that the newsletter email list is growing.
5. Erwin also briefed about SiN meeting (8th March 2005) and requested more information for SiN news letter.

Topic discussed: Information about University Board Elections from Kristin W. Brekke. (Henvendelse fra Kristin Brekke)

Proposed by: Torun

1. Torun explained in short about the change in election and selection process of the university board members. We have been asked to find a candidate among the DION board members to participate in an election committee. It is a good commitment on the part of DION to participate in the election committee for the university board members.
2. Andreas will get more information about the overall process from Kristin and is a potential candidate for DION representations in this process. His candidature will be backed up by Eirik.

Topic discussed: Mails/Posts

Proposed by: Andreas

1. Andreas informed about the post we have received since our last board meeting. Nothing of particular interest.

Topic discussed: Diverse/ New Board Members

Proposed by: Silje, Eirik, Kurt

1. Silje raised the question of what strategy we should choose in recruitment of new board members Eirik pointed out the need for uniform representation of different faculties in DION. More students from faculty AB, dragvoll need to be persuaded to join board of DION. One possibility is to post a note on "Innsida" another is to continue advertising for our organization in the news letter.
2. Kurt gave information about "How to do a Ph.D.?" lecture. According to him such lecture series is informative. Information about such articles, books, lectures can be posted on the DION website.