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Meet current DION Board

DION board 2018/2019 - elected at the DION annual meeting, 19 April 2018:

To contact the DION board, please use post@dion.ntnu.no

Position	Name	Faculty-Department
President	<u>Nina Helen Aas Røkkum</u>	SU-ISA
Vice President	<u>Thea Marie Valler</u>	HF-KULT
Board member	<u>Elena Catto Lucchino</u>	AD-IAT
Board member	<u>Lisa Tietze</u>	NV-IBT
Board member	<u>Besmir Tola</u>	IE-IIK
Board member	<u>Olena Meleshko</u>	NV-INH
Board member	<u>Chris Carr</u>	IE-IIK
Board member	<u>Davit Gigilashvili</u>	IE-IDI

Do you know what happens to your NTNU email account after your contract expires?

DION has been approached several times about what happens to the NTNU email accounts after the contract expires.

All PhD candidates who contact NTNU IT when their contract is about to expire are offered forwarding of incoming email to a NTNU Alumni account. The PhD candidates can also decide for how long they want this forwarding to continue.

This offer does not depend on having an active NTNU account. NTNU IT follows NTNU regulations and deactivates your account when the contract expires, but the forwarding service still works even if the account is deactivated.

The forwarding process does not start automatically. Therefore, you need to send a request to NTNU IT if you still want to receive emails sent to your NTNU email account after your contract expires.

SiN Workshop and AGM

The association of doctoral organizations in Norway (SiN) – an umbrella organization of doctoral interest organizations at Norwegian higher education institutions - organized a workshop “Roles and duties of university organizations for doctoral and post-doctoral candidates at Norwegian colleges and universities” and Annual General Meeting (AGM) on 24-25 May at Oslo Metropolitan University (OsloMet) in Oslo.

Two DION delegates Besmir Tola and Davit Gigilashvili attended the event. The representatives of the doctoral interest organizations at SiN-affiliated institutions presented their organizations, exchanged experience and ideas for future collaboration.

The delegates from affiliated institutions elected new SiN President, Vice President, and board members. DION board member, Besmir Tola, as well as two former DION board members – Edgar Lopez Rojas and Enrico Riccardi have been elected to new SiN board. Besmir Tola will be a contact person at DION to facilitate SiN-DION collaboration.

More about SiN: <http://stipendiat.no/>



[End of the Semester Event in Gjøvik](#)

On 27th of June, DION organized an event in Gjøvik to celebrate the end of the semester. DION members had an opportunity to play board games after work, enjoy pizza, and socialize. 15 DION members attended the event. The next event of the similar kind is planned for the end of the next academic semester. The details will follow in the next issue of the newsletter.

Trondheim Pride 2018

On Saturday, 15th of September, DION had honor to participate in Trondheim Pride 2018.



Happy Hour and Shuffleboard with DION

Thanks to all who joined the Happy Hour with DION yesterday, 11th of October at Work-Work! We hope you had a great evening playing shuffleboard together and sharing experiences about doing research at NTNU. We're looking forward to seeing you all at our events in future!



Temporary Scientific Employees, Work and Mental Health

DION invites all temporary scientific employees at NTNU to our event focused on mental health

When: October 16th, 16:00 - 18:00

Where: Sosiologisk Poliklinikk (Brattørgt 8, **Trondheim**); **Gjøvik:** Gneis-bygget – 3rd floor - room G303

As a temporary scientific employee, you might encounter many challenges related to work. We have invited the Occupational Health Services at NTNU as well as The Young Academy of Norway to talk about the challenges one might face as a temporary scientific employee and who can lend a helping hand.

DION will also talk about findings from the recently conducted survey Onboarding experience at NTNU, e.g. how long does it take for new temporary employees to settle in, where do they get the most support from, and what kinds of guidance are offered to new temporary employees.

After the presentations, there will be a panel discussion and questions from the audience.

There will be PIZZA, and the event will be streamed via Skype to DION Gjøvik.

Due to capacity, we would like to know how many people plan to attend the event. Please register [here](#). If you plan attending the streaming in Gjøvik, please register [here](#).

If you are not able to participate, you can still ask questions for the panel to answer at the event. See the Google forms above.

Follow the event on Facebook to stay updated:

Trondheim: <https://www.facebook.com/events/274562569848799/>

Streaming to Gjøvik: <https://www.facebook.com/events/442090059653194/>

Family-friendly Sunday hike with DION

Whether you have kids or not, join us for easy, traditional Norwegian Sunday hike in Estenstadmarka!

When: 21 October 2018, 12:00 – 16:00

Where: Estenstadmarka

Please register through this (non-binding!) [form](#) by Friday 19th, so we can get an idea of who is joining and age groups.

This is a great opportunity for you as a PhD, postdoc or temporary scientific employee to meet your colleagues across NTNU, and for your offspring have a fun day out! As a family-friendly event, the walk will be suitable for kids and accessible with a stroller.

If the weather allows it, we will have lunch outside, make a bonfire by Estensstaddammen and some activities for the kids. A bit of rain or a cloudy day has never stopped a true Norwegian Sunday hike – but then we will hike to Estenstadhytta. Where lunch can be bought and eaten inside. Further

information will be provided when we get close enough to trust the weather forecast, Friday 19th.

Regardless of the two options, we will meet at Bekken Parkering at 12. If you arrive by bus, you can walk from Loholtbakken Busstopp.

The hike is short, only about 1km one way, and another 1,4 km if you are coming by bus.

Remember enough clothes and comfortable shoes!

Follow the event on Facebook to get updates about the event:

<https://www.facebook.com/events/304169683504682/>

2-day course for PhD Candidates in Information Literacy

When: 31.10.18 - 01.11.18. 08:30 - 15.30

Where: room HB412, Main Building, GLØSHAUGEN

2-day course for PhD Candidates in Information Literacy at Gløshaugen from Universitetsbiblioteket. We will present The NTNU University Library Web with all electronic services available to you, and how you can search in the different subject relevant databases to find relevant and qualified information for your subjects, store references in EndNote/BibTeX and write your Thesis.

Registration is needed before 29.10. Read more:

<https://www.kurspaamelding.no/ntnu-ub/index.php?kursid=190&dato=504&paamelding=ja&groupid=218>

2-day course in research leadership for postdocs by the NTNU Postdoc Action Pilot Project

The NTNU Postdoc Action Pilot project is organizing a 2-day course on research leadership specifically targeted at postdocs. The main goal of the course is to support you in developing your long term research career. The course provides both theoretical introductions and practical learning activities.

When: 28th-29th of November

Where: Scandic Hell

The Postdoc Action will cover the possibility to stay overnight for the participants.

Find detailed information and program in the attachment and register before 17th of October:

[Course in leadership for Postdocs.docx](#)

To register, visit: <https://studntnu.sharepoint.com/sites/kurs/Sider/2-day-course-in-research-leadership.aspx>. If you encounter an error using the website, please try a different browser.

Deadline for registration is 17 October. Spaces are limited, and first come, first served.

Please contact Ragnhild Lofthus or Kam Sripada if you have any questions.

YogaDay with DION

When: End of October. More information will come before the event.

Where: Will be announced before the event.

YogaDay with DION: Introduction to the various styles for flexibility, strength and balance. A 1.5 hour yoga session suitable to all, but with a focus on different styles, and something for everyone, from the very beginner to the super fit.

DION Grants

DION is happy to announce a new round of support grants for educational and/or social activities for our members at NTNU! All PhD candidates, Postdocs and other temporary scientific employees at NTNU are eligible to apply for a grant (up to 2500 NOK) to cover expenses related to organizing activities that create opportunities for PhD students and post-docs to network, learn, and enrich their experience at NTNU. Total sum allocated for this round is **7000 NOK**. Please note that master degree students are NOT eligible.

DION will give preference to applications which are targeted towards an open audience. Applications for the exclusive benefit of one department or faculty will still be accepted but applications that are accessible for all DION members will be prioritized.

Rules:

1. The deadline for sending the application is **23:59 CET 21st October, 2018 (the initial deadline October 14th has been extended by one week)**. Applications will be evaluated by DION board members.

You can apply via this Google form filling out all mandatory fields:

<https://goo.gl/forms/dzsaaeXj3ZSduO472>

2. Funding should be used till the end of the calendar year, i.e. till **31.12.2018 23:59 CET**.

3. The organizers are expected initially to cover the costs of the event and then seek reimbursement of the costs from DION. No a priori funding is given.

Please note that the receipts and all reimbursement documents should be submitted to DION **LATEST two weeks after the event, but before the end of the calendar year - whichever comes first**. Otherwise, reimbursement of the costs is not guaranteed.

4. In case of approval of the grant, the organizers **should promote DION** by making it a co-host of the Facebook event, and allowing a DION board member to attend the event for promotion

purposes. A DION board member will be assigned to each approved application, and the organizers will liaise with him/her about the event.

Last year's successful grant applicants were (these are just examples - you are not requested to organize a similar, or a follow-up project):

- "Academic/social events with particular interest towards LGBT community"
- "Screening of independent films and debates aimed towards foster dialogues"
- "Bouldering course"
- "Industrial networking"
- "Critical Gender Salon project"
- "Happy hour for Phd's and Postdoc's"

Apply or forward to those who might be interested!

Stay updated via our web- and Facebook pages.

Web: <http://org.ntnu.no/dion>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/DION.NTNU/>

Next DION Board Meeting (+schedule)

When: November 6th Time 12:00 - 15:00

Where: Meeting room 207, Old Physics building (2nd floor), Gløshaugen (tentative)

Tentative schedule of DION board meetings in 2018:

- Tuesday, November 6th - 12:00 to 15:00
- Tuesday, December 11th - 12:00 to 15:00

DION's board meetings are open to all PhD Candidates and Post-docs. More information on agenda will be made available on *Innsida* and our website the week before the meeting.

Do you have something to add to the agenda? **Send the DION board an e-mail: post@dion.ntnu.no**



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