# DION BM 28.10.22

Attendees: Regina, Anum, Alicia, Ludwig

Absentee: Malena (sick leave), Ræd (travelling), Fereshteh (urgent work), Anastasia (travelling)

**Place:** MS Teams **Time:** 16:00-18:00

Minutes of Meeting: Anum Masood

#### **Previous work**

Update on the PhD Introduction Meeting at different faculties.

- Science Conversation Seminar NTNU a webinar series for PhD or early researcher (postdoc included). Format of the webinar series is undecided. Most likely a live event where Guests will be invited. The moderator will lead the panel discussion and the Q&A session. The audience will be there in person.
  - Discussion on how frequent these webinars should be. Suggestion from DION to have these webinars as Podcast.
  - Most of the webinars will be in English but if speaker is not comfortable in speaking in English, then the webinar will be in Norwegian. In case, the webinar is in Norwegian, there will be English subtitles for streaming on YouTube.
  - The upcoming Science Conversation Seminar at NTNU is scheduled for Monday 31<sup>st</sup> Oct 2022.
- Meeting with Research Council. Ludwig represented DION at the meeting with Research Council.
  - Focus of the meeting was to promote the gender balance especially at the higher positions. NTNU has more professors (permanent positions), there was suggestion regarding the shuffling of the permanent position who are mostly male, but it differs from faculty to faculty. In Medicine and Social Studies, there is a higher number of female professors, on the other hand the Engineering and Natural Sciences there are more male professors.
  - Another discussion was on the possibility of open databank for EU.
  - European universities are discussing the possibility for coming up with a different view on evaluation
    - Not just citations and research papers, how the candidate is disseminated in the , are they using open science and the open dataset,
    - Trying to got rid of the H-Index as the only evaluation criteria.
  - Overview of the PhD candidates at NTNU, mostly male of 30 years, half of them is international and half of them are Norwegian. On the other hand, postdocs are mostly male of 30-35 years old.
- Regina attended the meeting for research quality control at NTNU. Each year different
  faculty is responsible for the quality control. There will be interviews on various level
  to discuss how to proceed with it further.
  - Organizing event for Internationalization at NTNU.
  - Organizers are NIRS and DION.
  - One session of the course for the PhD will be organized by DION.

- The event will be about funding opportunities for international students.
   Guidance to the international students on how to apply for the exchange semester.
- International Mobility Grant not funded by the NTNU or External funding then Erasmus Plus, NIRS (conference funding), Collaborative Projects have funding (collaborating partners only). Practicalities for applying for the research mobility.
- Success stories from students who completed their exchange semester abroad could be included. DION will organize an event for young researchers that is aligned with the context of internationalization such as research mobility.
- One suggestion is to have a talk from someone who studied at NTNU and still in contact with university after working.
- Another talk coulde be someone's experience such as international research experience story's perspective by Regina (DION).

Remaining sessions will be more generic including rector's opening Speech on internationalization being supported by NTNU.

Coffee, snacks will be provided at the end so attendees can mingle among themselves to network.

**Event Date:** 6<sup>th</sup>-7<sup>th</sup> of December

Event Venue: Gløshaugen

• Startup Migrants: Start-up Collaboration with DION. Pre-school for the start-ups who want to work on their project and translate them from project to industry. International students who want to become entrepreneur, they II share knowledge

Pre-School Event: Three days' crash course ( $11^{th} - 13^{th}$  November)

Fee: Free of Cost

NTNU will fund if they collaborative with DION. The funds are in addition to the funds of DION. DION will collaborate if the funding is confirmed.

- DION Representation Regina's meeting with MSCA Postdoc who is also member of the MSCA Alumni. They have funding from the covid times for the organizing an event. DION suggested that MSCA can become part of the Internationalization of the PhD and Postdoc Event (6<sup>th</sup> 7<sup>th</sup> Dec) and career day (NIRS-DION). They can present their work there. Soft-skills and mobility opportunities for the career event with NIRS. Or have a seminar on the grant writing, and project proposals
- Ålesund Campus organized Board game night on 21<sup>st</sup> Oct, 2022.
- Brief catch up on the Climate Frest (DION Grant) and pizzas event in Trondheim: around 25 attendees. The event held at Gløshaugen, Trondheim on 25<sup>th</sup> Oct, 2022.
- Union Day with Tekna. Streamed from Trondheim to Ålesund. Anum (NV Dept, 12<sup>th</sup> Oct, Evening Session), Regina (10<sup>th</sup> Oct, Morning Session) and Ludwig (IE Dept, 11<sup>th</sup> Oct, Morning Session 30 attendees) were organizers from DION and presented DION at the event. Anastasia was available in Ålesund for the streaming of Tekna Event held during evening of 11<sup>th</sup> October.

#### **Discussions**

• Voting for the Autumn Photography Contest. The response to the Autumn photography contest was reviewed. All board members voted for the entries. The decision was made for the winning image.

• **Mental Health Month (MHM22)** The events are ready, rooms are booked. The registration open for all events.

### **Registration Statistics:**

#### **Trondheim**

- Finding Home 3 registrations
- Lunch Seminar (7th of Nov) 48 registrations Wraps/Sandwiches
- Lunch Seminar (13th of Nov) 14 registrations
- Coaching Session 36 registrations
   Food (Grapes + Smoothies)
- QiGong Event 15 spots (If more people register, we can organize another event after two weeks)

### Gjøvik

- Yoga Session Registration Open
- Coaching Session (Mental Awareness) in-person event Registration Open

#### Ålesund

Yoga Session – Registration Open

Promote the MHM22 events on Innsida for more registrations.

- Budget
  - More budget remaining then we calculated approx. 49,000 Kr
    - 15,000 Kr for all three cities
    - 6,000 Kr for DION Grants
    - Travel Reimbursement from the SiN AGM
  - Remaining budget from the social: 4,871 Kr
    - Work-work event for celebrating the DION Birthday Celebration
    - Yule Ball for Christmas at NTNU, Trondheim
  - Next year's event Ski Club Trondheim
    - 50 nok per person and the remaining cost to be covered by the attendees
    - This will enable DION to arrange more than one event and have more attendees.
- SiN Annual General Meeting (AGM)
  - Regina and Anum will be attending the AGM on 28<sup>th</sup> of November.
  - Voting can be done only by those attending the AGM.
  - Announcement for the SiN position has to be done on Innsida.

## **Upcoming work**

• DION presentations in faculty-level seminar/meetings for new PhD/PDs.



- In person meeting in Trondheim, 30th Sept. + 16-18 PM + dinner. Need to book the trips. Discussed possibilities of hosting each other, and if besides going for dinner there should be another activity planned for Saturday. We should email Regina and answer the form in the Teams chat to decide.
- Newsletter for Fall: Alicia
- Upcoming events: Trondheim DION Celebration at Work-Work (Anum & Ludwig in November), Christmas event (NIRS and DION Collaboration). Gjøvik possible canooing event. Ålesund possible hiking event. Tekna Union Day in october.
- Ræd prepare post for announcing the winner for the Autumn Photography Contest in social media.
- Announcement for the SiN position has to be done on Innsida.
- SiN AGM meeting in November at Adger
- Brainstorm on ideas for using remaining budget.