

ARCTOS Secretariat meeting 11/04-2019 minutes

Present: Jørgen Berge, Rolf Gradinger, Kjetil Sagerup (video), Haakon Hop, Eva Leu (video), Kristin Heggland, Ulrike Grote (minutes)

Agenda:

- 1) Member application PhD candidate Apollo Lizano, Nord
- 2) Young Scientist Forum (Arctic Frontiers PhD Workshop) 2020
- 3) Summary ARCTOS Days 2019
- 4) Action Plan
- 5) AOB - Ulrike back after maternity leave

1) Member application PhD candidate Apollo Lizano, Nord

Apollo's application has been accepted. Welcome to ARCTOS.

2) Young Scientist Forum 2020 (Arctic Frontiers PhD Workshop, BIO-8516)

Due to Paul W.'s sabbatical and Ulrike's maternity leave, no YSF was organized in 2019. As all six ARCTOS institutions have now signed the contract, allocating 30 k per year to YSF, ARCTOS should be able to run a workshop in 2020 and UG has informed the Arctic Frontiers Secretariat about this. Paul Wassman and Eva Leu will organize the workshop together with Ulrike and Ulrike will keep the Secretariat updated about the progress.

3) Summary ARCTOS Days 2019

This year's ARCTOS Days had a strong focus on science with many presentations from Master students, PhD candidates, Post-docs, and senior members of ARCTOS. During their Forum, the PhD students had contributions and discussions about writing applications and securing funds. The new student representatives are Erin and Estelle. Both parts of ARCTOS Days were successful and well attended.

ARCTOS Days 2020 will take place on Sommarøy, March 8-11.

4) Action Plan

Post-doc program:

EL started the post-doc mentoring program. She sent out a summary to all senior members and informed all post-docs interested in getting a mentor to contact ARCTOS senior members directly. So far, not many post-docs have reached out to the seniors. JB suggests that the growing group of post-docs should maybe be organized similar to the student support network, with representatives and a day of self-organized activities prior to/during ARCTOS Days.

Increase focus on research and proposals:

For 2020 RG suggests to have a specific topic for ARCTOS Days, such as writing a publication/review. Possible topics/tasks/groups could be identified at the Christmas lunch. We could also use AD to present projects/calls to apply to and to find support within ARCTOS.

Coordinate activities with AeN:

ARCTOS and AeN aim at having BIO-8510 (Research cruise Spitsbergen) on the AeN cruise in May 2020. As the cruise will likely have a high number of participants, this should be organized/prepared in good time and be on the agenda for future meetings.

Increase visibility:

HH suggests sending a relevant article about ARCTOS to the Fram Forum. Deadline for submissions for the 2020 issue is September 30, 2019. 2020 will be the last time Fram Forum will be printed on paper, only digital from 2021. EL would like to contribute with an article about FAABulous.

JB points out that Helge Markussen offered writing an article (kronikk) about the importance of a network in the local newspaper Nordlys. JB will follow up on this.

5) AOB

Ulrike is back at work after her maternity leave and the Secretariat would like to thank Kristin for her good work as ARCTOS secretary during Ulrike's absence.

The next Secretariat meeting will take place May 21, 9-11am at C-205, NFH.