

ARCTOS Secretariat meeting 20.03.2023 minutes

Present: Rolf Gradinger, Paul Renaud, Terri Souster, Christine Gawinski, Karley Campbell, Arunima Sen, Eva Leu, Igor Eulaers, Philipp Assmy, Libby Jones, Angelika Renner, Ulrike Grote (minutes)

Agenda:

- 1) ARCTOS strategy document
- 2) NFR funding and budget for ARCTOS Board
- 3) Member applications (Marja Gächter, PhD candidate, UiT; Sofia Mau, PhD candidate, NORD; Vigdis Tverberg, Ass. Prof., NORD; Olivia O'Connor, PhD candidate, NORD; Lonnie Mikkelsen, Post-doc, NPI; Jacob Christensen, PhD candidate, UiT)
- 4) News
- 5) AOB

1) ARCTOS strategy document

- Action Plan on Teams ([HERE](#))
- Strategy 2014-2023 on Teams ([HERE](#))
- As agreed during the last Secretariat meeting, the strategy does not need to be ready for the Board meeting, but we need to start the discussion/process.
- The strategy should be finalized after the Board meeting and depends on the support provided.

Actions:

- **Everybody** needs to read and comment by the end of the week (March 24)

2) NFR funding and budget for ARCTOS Board

- Ulrike presented a preliminary budget of the main activities and posts in ARCTOS and what is covered by the NFR funding and what would have to be covered by funding from member institutions.
- The Budget is available on Teams ([HERE](#))

Feedback:

- Currently a large part of the NFR funding is allocated to ARCTOS Days but due to the restrictions for travel and accommodation of members, 50% cannot be used.
- We could have for example one in-person ARCTOS Days with travel/accommodation supported by member institutions and online ARCTOS Days with invited speakers/activities.
- Increase member institution funding to 90k per year per institution.

Actions:

- **Everybody:** Feedback on the suggested budget latest Wednesday March 22
- **Rolf** will contact NFR to find out if we can have several activities spread out and not just one annual meeting.

3) Member applications

The applications were sent out shortly before the meeting and there was no time during the meeting to go over all of them.

Actions:

- Deadline to give feedback Wednesday March 22
- No feedback means the applications are accepted.

4) News

William Hatchett (NORD) defended March 10 and Coralie Barth-Jensen (UiT) defended March 17.
Ulrike will make a news item for the ARCTOS website.
Estelle Coguiec will defend in mid-May.

ARCTOS careers & beers organized by Terrie and Igor will be back soon and this time post-docs who recently started in a permanent position will present and answer questions once a month at Fram centre.

5) AOB

Ulrike will send out a doodle for the next Secretariat meeting in April.