

Minutes

Daily Management Group Meeting

28 February 2024

Attendees: Elmer Topp-Jørgensen, Margareta Johansson, Katharina Beckmann, Kirsi Latola, Hannele Savela, Luisella Bianco.

Budget for 2024

We have now gathered all the information of expenses up to the end of 2023 from the cumulative report and we have made estimates of expenses for 2024 based on the suggested TA decision. 15th March is the deadline for the stations regarding acceptance of TA visitors for 2024 and after this date we will know further. Even though we do have these estimated numbers there are still many unknowns in relations to the budget 2024 and we have some additional costs that needs to be covered. SMF has three publications that needs to be printed and budget will be transferred from LU to AU to cover these costs. In addition, Sheffield University needs 3 extra person months (as they overspend because of the BBC sub-contract) and this will be covered in a similar way. We will continue to work on the budget for 2024 throughout the year to ensure the most efficient use of funds.

INTERACT meetings

General Assembly 5-7 November

We have made reservations at Smygehus Havsbad by the sea in the south of Sweden. We won't be able to visit a research station, but we will arrange a local excursion.

- Katharina will examine possibilities for an excursion
- Katharina will send out an invitation to the meeting

Upcoming DMG Meeting

Our next DMG meeting will be held online on Tuesday 19th March, 10.00 CET.

External Meetings

ASSW/AOS

INTERACT will have a booth at the ASSW. Vanessa will be able to set up the booth on the 22nd March and the rest of the DMG members will help to populate the booth when they are available in between meetings. INTERACT arranges a session called **“How well do we understand change throughout the Arctic and what impact is the war in Ukraine having on this?”**. This is scheduled at Monday 25 March at 16-17:30 (UK time) and will also be available online. Elmer and Margareta are sharing the chair position (Elmer welcome, Elmer + Maggan chairing discussion). Elmer will present the Efrén paper. All in all there will be 4 presentations, 10 minutes each. We will start with personal experiences from the presenters, and then go to the audience. Are there already best practices from other organizations to



open up for collaboration with Russia? There needs to be a separation between the personal opinions and the organizational view. There are also a lot of practical issues with cross-border movement even if there is a willingness to collaborate.

- Elmer and Margareta will meet beforehand to plan the session.

Arctic Circle Forum Berlin

Margareta is going to give an INTERACT presentation.

Arctic Congress

Elmer has submitted an abstract and Kirsi will do a presentation on networking.

European Polar Science Week

The deadline for session proposal is the 15th March. We want to make sure that it is not only scientists who know what is going on in the Arctic. Maybe we could show the films at the Science Week. How are we conveying the message? We could use the Efrén-paper message (core science) and convey it to the general public via the films, linking hard science with softer outreach.

- Margareta will take the lead on this and talk to Terry

Arctic Circle

Deadline for session proposals is 1st May so we will get back to this at a later meeting.