



## Norwegian Forum for Global Health Research

Draft Minutes

29 August 12:00 – 13:00

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Due to technical difficulties, the meeting was short.

**36/18 Approval of agenda**  
Agenda approved

**37/18 Approval of minutes from board meeting June 6 (Attachment 1)**  
Minutes approved

**38/18 Information about Nord University**  
by Gunilla Kulla

As a new university, more cooperation with other institutions is of interest. We attach two presentations from Gunilla.



Nord-universitet-Strategi-2020.pdf Nord-universitet-arssrapport-2017-2018.

Please read the documents and we will have some time for questions in the next Forum meeting.

**39/18 Changes in Norad**  
by Ingvar Theodor Evjen Olsen

Norad is reorganizing. This has led to some concern about the specialist environment and worry among the temporary employed. Ingvar will make a note to present the situation., and we will discuss further in next Forum meeting. Can Forum be of assistance?

**40/18 Establish membership registry**  
<https://skjemaker.app.uib.no/view.php?id=4977057>

Comments: Okay so far. Will make sure it is in compliance with the new GDPR before it is put to use.

**41/18 The 2019 conference - status**

Tromsø will not be able to host the conference next year.

It will be held in Bergen, most likely in beginning of April. We will have a dialogue with the research school; to find dates that work for both the conference and a PhD-conference.



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Will be decided quickly.

## **42/18 Evaluation of the discontinuation of the Quota Scheme**

Status by Bente Moen, UiB

There have been some activity in the media this summer, regarding the effect of losing the quota scholarship. Newspaper contributions and a letter sent from the Forum board were attached to the agenda. Here is an email answer from SIU, received 6/8-18:

*Takk for brevet og for interessen for evalueringen av avviklingen av Kvoteordningen også fra Forum for global helseforskning. Evalueringen er nå inne i sin slutfase. Til evalueringen har analysebyrået ideas2evidence, som dere viser til i brevet, i samarbeid med oss valgt ut begrenset antall institusjoner og fagmiljøer til dybdeintervjuer. Disse intervjuene er nå gjennomført og i ferd med å bli analysert. I tillegg vil vi i evalueringsrapporten gjøre rede for hva som skjedde da Kvoteordningen ble avviklet og erstattet av nye ordninger som NORPART, UTFORSK og INTPART. Denne redegjørelsen vil også inkludere KDs og SIUs dialog med sektoren og andre interesserte parter i denne forbindelse og den politiske interessen for og debatten rundt avviklingen av Kvoteordningen. Deres brev passer godt inn i denne sammenhengen.*

*Vi tillater oss å påpeke at denne evalueringen ikke gjelder selve Kvoteordningen, men vil se på avviklingen av ordningen og hvilke konsekvenser det har fått på norske UH-institusjoner.*

*Vennlig hilsen*

**Ragnhild Tungesvik**

*avdelingsdirektør / Head of Department*

*Senter for internasjonalisering av utdanning (SIU)*

There was a discussion on whether it would be fruitful to send a Forum delegation to Oslo to meet with the Ministry of Education and Research. To meet politicians in person can be more effective than sending a written document. In this case however, the deadline for the SIU report was September 1, 2018, and we need to know what next, before further actions. Bente was asked to check with SIU (which, by the way has changed name to Diku – Direktoratet for internasjonalisering og kvalitetsutvikling i høyere utdanning.

## **43/18 The Forum webpage**

<https://forumglobalhealth.w.uib.no/>

There should be a meeting with Global Health Norway about their website, to decide the way forward. If we link to each other's pages, we can avoid double work.

Suggestions for the Forum webpage: pictures, list of networks, presentation of the board.

## **44/18 Information to the Board**

- The Research School (Elin Yli Dvergsdal) – *no news at this point*
- Short news message from each participant in the meeting –*skipped since we ran out of time*



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## **45/18 Dates for meetings in the autumn semester**

Autumn 2018:

- 29 August
- 26 September
- 31 October
- 28 November
- 19 December

## **46/18 AOB**

Discussion point by Bente; ECTMIH have asked for our opinion on how to rank these topics – as scientific tracks in the conference in 2019 was postponed.



How can we rank  
these topics.docx