Norwegian Forum for Global Health Research

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Draft, minutes
23 January 2019: 12:00 to 13:00

Present: Bente, Gunilla, Ingvild, Frode, Sheri, Elisabeth, Johanne, Karine, Zlata, Turid, Elin, Gunhild (ref)

01/19 Approval of agenda
Karine Kalsås added the Globvac 2020 conference tender announcement and important deadlines to the agenda. An overview of the different deadlines for application to host has been circulated to the persons attending the meeting. See point 6/19 AOB for more.

Agenda approved

02/19 Approval of minutes from board meeting November 30
All the tasks mentioned in the minutes has not been done yet. Marketing of Forum and follow up of the status in Tromsø will be postponed to February.

Minutes approved

03/19 Status 2019 conference in Global Health
The committee has published a preliminary programme on the Global Health Norway webpages: http://globalhealth.no/conference
Few submitted abstract yet, but the deadline is not until February 1.

Turid Austin Wæhler has suggested various channels for promoting the conference. She will make a Facebook-event. Everybody is encouraged to inform about the conference in their environments. It is very important to inspire for abstract submission.

The registration fee will be NOK 1300 for participants (1250 was informed in the meeting, but needed to be increased in new budgeting).

04/19 RCN has sent us an important request, please read and prepare feedback
RCN as asked for contributions from institutions and organisations, including Forum, regarding results from the Globvac programme and the way forward.

Forum asks each of its board members to take the request back to their home institutions to answer these questions and send a text to Bente Moen by January 30. She will put all the texts together to send to RCN.

Zlata Turcanovic: -it is important to be detailed, concrete and accurate. For instance, mention exact areas within reproductive health where your institution can show strong research, rather than mention reproductive health as a field of research.

Ingvild Hope will send a list of projects in global health to the Forum board members, to have a look at and see if any of their projects are missing. This is part of Global Health Norway’s assignment to RCN.
05/19 Dates for upcoming Forum-meetings:
- Wednesday 20/2 12-13 – agenda will include new members + planning of General Assembly and Festmih-news.
- Wednesday 20/3 12-13
- General Assembly will be held at the Global Health Conference in Bergen Tuesday 2/4 kl 1615-1730

Potential extra meeting February 6, 1200, related to submission of interest for Globvac hosting if necessary.

06/19 AOB

1) Globvac conference 2020:

The next, and final, Globvac conference has been advertised for tender now. See the advert here (in Norwegian): [https://www.doffin.no/en/notice/details/2019-317483](https://www.doffin.no/en/notice/details/2019-317483)

Norwegian institutions with a good knowledge of global health are invited to apply. It is possible to use professional event organizers for the technical and administrative part of the conference.

RCN encourages institutions in Forum to apply. If no one applies, the conference might be cancelled.

The conference must be held in the first half of 2020, the organizer can choose the exact date. Estimated value of the contract: NOK 1.2 mill

UiO and FHI have already expressed interest in hosting.

The Forum board will support a submission of an application from these institutions, and make themselves available for assistance should they be asked to contribute.

If a board meeting is necessary before the deadline for submission, February 6, 1200 is suggested.

Here is an overview of the different deadlines in the process (in Norwegian)

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2) **Film for Global Health Norway:**

Global Health Norway has some money to make a film showing institutions working with global health in Norway. It is a wish to visit different places in Norway, to shoot some film and perhaps make some interviews. Bente will send a separate email to you regarding ideas, permissions and plans for filming.

The film will be for most people, not only those working in the area. It will be published online, and in social media.

3) **Short information from the board:**

**Gunilla, Nord University:** The rector has just resigned, the pro rector will take over for now. This will not affect the jobs there.

**Sheri, NBMU:** Works on a collaboration with Gothenburg about a master programme. Still based in France. Are hiring two positions, can circulate the advert to Forum board.

**Johanne, UiO:** Many PhD-candidates in their final stages of their degree now. Has just started a new project, Pregnancy services for newly arrived migrants.

**Frode, FHI:** development plan for global health for FHI, can be shared with Forum board. Works with UiO on digital Health systems. Preparation for WHO board meeting.

**Elisabeth, NTNU:** master programme goes well, four new PhD candidates. Has made a research group for the whole of NTNU. Lot of activity writing applications before the April 10 deadline. Is also going to Brussel to write EU-application

**Bente, UiB:** has attended FESTMIH board meeting. This year’s conference is in Liverpool, abstract deadline February 1. [https://www.ectmih2019.org/](https://www.ectmih2019.org/) Forum has been approached to be host in 2021. This will be discussed in the next board meeting.

**Next meeting: February 20, 12-13**