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MC2 PhD student council agenda - 2021-01-25

Time: 12:00-13:00

Place: B618/Online meeting (Zoom)

Attendees: Martí Gutierrez Latorre, Nermin Trnjanin, Ivo Cools, Israel Rebolledo Salgado, Isabel Harrysson Rodrigues, Anamul Md Hoque, Agin Vyas, Stavros Giannakopoulos, Ragnar Ferrand-Drake del Castillo and Ariadna Soro Álvarez

Election of meeting officials
 Chair – Martí Gutierrez Latorre
 Secretary – Martí Gutierrez Latorre
 Adopt the minutes – Ariadna Soro Álvarez

2. Approval of agenda

-Agenda is approved

3. Meeting notice in due order

Notice sent in due order (after 2-week delay).

4. Updates from other boards and committees

I. The executive board (Ledningsgruppen, LG), (Martí)

-Individual study plan meetings are going to be changed during 2021 to a format resembling that of a TRC (Thesis Review Committee) to discuss the research in addition to the progress.

-A reminder of the Corona survey will be sent, with a link to the Chalmers page with information about pandemic measures. The results of the survey will be presented at the next executive board meeting. There, measures about work delays and contract duration will be discussed, such as extensions, reductions in work time per week and changes in the requirements for graduation determined by the TRC.

-Bring up also the significant percentage of PhD students whose mental health is being severely affected.

II. The department advisory board (Institutionsrådet), (Nermin)

-No updates

III. Chalmers PhD student guild (Doktorandsektionen, DS), (Isabel)

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-No updates

IV. The Association of Graduate Students in Physics (Föreningen för Forskarstuderande i Fysik, FFF) (Isabel)

-A discussion on the possible venues for popular science presentations was held, since FFF makes it very explicit that that's not a valid venue anymore, and most other venues are shut down. New possibilities include primary or high schools, youtube (or other platform) streaming and family & friends. It is noted that getting the audience to fill up and send back feedback forms is not easy in either case.

7. Other issues

-Hafid has left the council. Agin is now the sole representative of EMSL.

8. Next meeting

2021/02/17 12:00

9. Closing of the meeting