

MC2 PhD student council Minutes - 2021-09-17

Time: 12:00 - 13:00

Place: Online meeting (Zoom)

Attendants: Ivo Cools, Nermin Trnjanin, Martí Gutierrez Latorre, Ariadna Soro Álvarez, Junjie Li, Ragnar Ferrand-Drake Del Castillo, Agin Vyas, Yin Zeng, Israel Rebolledo Salgado

1. Election of meeting officials

Chair: **Martí Gutierrez Latorre**

Secretary: **Nermin Trnjanin**

Adopt the minutes: **Ariadna Soro Álvarez**

2. Approval of agenda – unanimous

3. Meeting notice was in due order

4. Updates from other boards and committees

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

- i. No comments besides those touching upon the residence permit (RP) issue. They were brought up but not discussed extensively

II. The department advisory board (instutionsrådet) (Nermin)

- i. Next meeting in October, try to get RP issue on agenda

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

- i. Longer discussion concerning residence permit issue. The DS sent out a statement to all PhD students at Chalmers and has been working on the topic since with other committees in and out of Chalmers. The DS held an online meeting after the SULF information webinar on the Aliens Act, open for all students. They will probably do that again.

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

- i. No news, did not discuss new members to FFF

5. New representatives

- This was not discussed

6. Other issues

- Change of legislation regarding permanent residence permits
 - Pressing issue concerning residence permits of non-EU/EEA students. Information needs to be spread out.

- Changes are found in <https://www.migrationsverket.se/English/Private-individuals/Protection-and-asylum-in-Sweden/Nyhetsarkiv/2021-06-29-Changed-requirements-for-permanent-residence-permits.html>
 - Nermin will send an email to the advisory board (CC Ariadna and Marti)
 - There will be an information meeting, organized by Ariadna, as part of the general assembly
 - Martí will bring it up during executive board meeting.
 - Ensure that PIs inform prospective recruits about the situation.
 - Ariadna recommends watching the SULF webinar about the topic (<https://sulf.se/en/nyhet-en/watch-our-webinar-about-the-changes-to-the-alien-act/>)
- Quantum technology track in MPNAT/ Physics master
 - Planned changes in the master's program at MC2
 - MPNAT to have a track for quantum technology, courses that change or are removed
 - Exchange between Physics and MC2 course responsible meaning that some MPNAT courses will be held by faculty members at Physics and vice versa.
 - There might be changes in courses with MC2 PhDs as TAs
 - Representative for TML
 - Jenny had to drop out. Junjie appointed in praxis. Formally at GA.
 - General assembly in December
 - Martí won't stay as Chair next year but will stay on the executive board. He would agree to be co-chair.
 - Wellness provider has changed
 - Epassi does not provide anything besides wellness benefits. Chalmers did not opt for any other benefits.
 - Ariadna will update the knowledge repository on the MC2 PhD council website.
 - Extra point from Ariadna
 - Per Lundgren sent out an email stating that ISP follow-up meetings are not needed for students who are doing their mid-term or licentiate this year. This is against the rules, since students need to have a minimum of one meeting per year. Martí will talk to Per about it.
 - Electronic study plan
 - esp-test.portal.chalmers.se/ project will end soon and hopefully be online in 2022, an alpha version will be up in a month.

7. Invite for next meeting sent by Marti

8. Closing of the meeting 12:56