

## Annual Department of Informatics gathering

29<sup>th</sup> – 30<sup>th</sup> April 2019, Solstrand

### Monday, 29<sup>th</sup> April

Research and education strategy

08:00 Bus leaves Høyteknologisenteret

08:45 Arrival, reception desk, coffee and fruit

*(Chair for the morning session “research strategy”: Helwig Hauser)*

09:15 **Welcome and the first annual report** – Pinar Heggernes  
A self evaluation of Pinar’s first year as the head of department

09:45 **Recommendations for research and education** – Helwig Hauser  
Report from the department strategy committee for the next five years

10:15 **Plenary strategy discussion** – Moderator Helwig Hauser

10:45 Coffee break with snacks and/or sandwiches

11:15 **Research group strategies** – Each research group presents itself (people, projects, course portfolio) and reports on their ambitions and strategy (size of the group, research achievements, student recruitment) for the next five years, 10 minutes each.

Algorithms

Bioinformatics / CBU

Machine Learning

Optimization

Programming Theory

Reliable Communication – Selmer Center

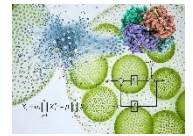
Visualization

12:30 Lunch

*(Chair for the afternoon session “education strategy”: Fredrik Manne)*

13:30 **Master applications 2019** – Pål Gunnestad & Pekka Parviainen  
How can we accomodate as many master students as possible?

13:50 **Report from Samordna opptak 2019** – Ida Rosenlund  
Comparison of the number of applicants vs available study places (2019 and previous years)



- 14:10 **Mathematics levels at Norwegian high schools** - Pinar Heggernes  
Background for the planned changes in our study programs
- 14:30 **Reorganization and coordination of bachelor programs** – Michal Walicki  
Suggested changes effective from the fall semester of 2020
- 15:00 **Generic skills and INF100** - Fredrik Manne  
A summary of the guidelines prepared by the Faculty of Math and Nat Sciences
- 15:15 Coffee break (15 min) + walk & talk (30 min - discussions on educational issues in small groups of 2-3 people while taking a stroll along the Fjord Path that starts at the hotel)
- 16:00 **Plenary discussion on educational issues** – Moderator Fredrik Manne  
Other concerns not mentioned in the program so far can be discussed here as well
- 17:00 End of day 1
- 19:30 Aperitif
- 20:00 Dinner

**Tuesday, 30<sup>th</sup> April**

Culture and brand building

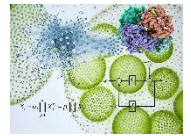
*(Chair for the session “culture and brand building”: Inge Jonassen)*

- 08:30 **Teaching mathematics to students of informatics** - Håkon Tjeldnes  
Observations, experiences, recommendations
- 09:00 **Communication strategy and brand building** - Olaf Erlend Gundersen  
How can we improve our national visibility and impact regarding excellence in research and excellence in education?
- 10:00 Coffee break with fruit
- 10:30 **Discussion in small groups:** How to increase the department’s visibility (outreach, culture, brand building for research and education). Tentative topics to be discussed:
1. How can we recruit the most talented students and increase recruitment numbers?



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2. How can we increase the department's visibility in commissions of trust (science advisory boards, research funding program boards etc.)?
3. How can we increase the visibility of our research?

We will try to employ an online tool to make the discussion "visible" as it is ongoing. - Moderator Noeska Smit

- 11:15      ***How do we see our own department*** – Linda Vagtskjold  
Report and summary of feedback and suggestions on topics related to the department (ex. research, education, leadership, administration, infrastructure /facilities, information, outreach, etc), gathered from all employees via an [online survey](#) during the period of March 22 – April 24.
- 11:45      ***Final discussions, open issues, meeting closure*** - Moderator Inge Jonassen
- 12:30      Lunch
- 14:00      Bus leaves Solstrand

#### **Event registration**

The main discussion theme of the annual department gathering will be the department's research and education strategies for the next five years, but also profiling, branding and how to increase the department's visibility. All faculty members are expected to attend this gathering. All other employees, including PhD students, and emeriti are most welcome to participate as well.

Please **register [here](#) by 10 April 2019.**

#### **Questionnaire**

We would like everybody to fill out an anonymous questionnaire on how you see the department, including suggestions for improvements. You can open the questionnaire via [this link](#), which will stay open until 24 April. The results of this survey will be presented on day 2 of the meeting in the session "*How do we see our own department*".