

NUAS Sustainability / NSCN core group meeting 4/2019

09.09.2019, 11:00-12:30 NOR/SWE/DEN time, VS in Microsoft Teams

Participants: Meri Löyttyniemi, Silla Lövdahl, Øystein Liverød, Christian Solli, Tomas Refslund Poulsen, Ullika Lundgren, Saana Raatikainen

Minutes of meeting

1. Meri elected chair.
Øystein elected to take notes.
2. Agenda accepted.
3. No comments on minutes from last meeting 3-2019.
nordicsustainablecampusnetwork.wordpress.com/events/core-group-meetings/
4. NUAS issues
 - a. Core group members
 - i. Louise Thomsen from CBS is pursuing new opportunities and is stepping down and thus we need a new DK member. Caroline Pontoppidan from CBS is suggested and will be invited unless Tomas suggest someone else from his network in Denmark
 - ii. The group discussed rotation of chair & members and Meri informed that she will be stepping down later this year and that we need a new chair, hopefully one that has some experience on NSCN & core group. Meri will send out an invitation to the network in hope of someone suggests a potential chair and also potential new members.
 - b. Re-visiting NUAS Forum Aug 2019 Tromsø – Track D, sustainability
 - i. Meri and the other presenters were happy with the outcome of our workshop on air travel but the coordination took a lot of effort and started years in advance. It showed how difficult it is to plan for such an event when it's not on the agenda of the host. It would not have worked without the beforehand testing of the technical setup. Ullika mentioned that she wished for a small camera pointing at the audience in order to interact with them (was not possible by UiT IT support). Some presenters experienced some delay on some of the slides but in general it worked like a charm. The group discussed the possibility of arranging a 100% digital session in order to avoid the somewhat complicated coordination between video presentation and the live audience. It was the same amount of audience in the online session and the classroom. Meri asked Christian and Silla to write a recommendation to the board of NUAS about making video solutions mandatory for future conferences. They will also write a blogpost with the same topic. Meri will discuss our thoughts about this topic on the next NUAS board+chairs meeting in 6-7 November 2019 at Univ. of Helsinki.

* Statistics on our **online** followers at NUAS Forum 2019:

- 28 the 1st session
- 21 the 2nd session

Almost the same amount of audience in class at UiT.

Ullika mentioned Swedish "Klimatramverket" as an initiative of 36 universities, having their parallel, physical meeting in Stockholm, while the main conference is held in Boston. Innovative models needed to avoid flying.

Meri shared Copernicus Alliance Online conference as an example of virtual conference, copernicus-alliance.org/news-archive/230-calls-and-registration-for-ca-online-conference-open

5. Sharing practices
Skipped due to time constraints.
6. Communications
 - i. Past & next blogposts

1. Silla wrote a blog about decision tree for flying in August '19:
nordicsustainablecampusnetwork.wordpress.com/2019/08/29/decision-tree-a-helpful-tool-when-deciding-whether-to-fly-or-not/
2. Ullika and Øystein will write their blog post asap
3. Meri informed about the successful handover of the Meeri thanks-poster & farewell lunch 19 August 2019 in Otaniemi, Espoo.

7. Projects, funding
Meri informed about the NCC course fall 2019 and the application deadline 8.9. She did not have the updated numbers of applications, but will keep the group posted about the progress,
nordicsustainablecampusnetwork.wordpress.com/2019/08/19/nordic-baltic-multidisciplinary-course-on-sustainable-urban-development/

8. For your information
Thomas informed about the UN meeting in NYC coming up 20-21 Sept / NSCN contribution was discussed.

Meri will act as a judge at Green Gown competition EAUC, stage 2, 1st of Oct. Participation virtually to avoid flight emissions. greengownawards.org

NSCN was not selected as a finalist to norden.org/en/news/nominees-nordic-council-environment-prize-2019

9. Next videomeeting will be Thursday 31st of October 11:00 AM to 12:30 PM SE-time, Meri will send a calendar invitation.

item 4.b

Our workshop at NUAS Forum 2019

Programme “Reducing carbon emissions from flying”

https://www.nuas.org/content/uploads/2019/06/NF19_program.pdf

Thu 15 August 2019, 11-11:45

11.00 Setting the scene by senior sustainability advisor, **Meri Löyttyniemi**, Aalto University. Meri acts also as the chair of NUAS Sustainability and will moderate the session.

11.10 NTNU experiences from the campaign “Reiseløftet” by environmental advisor **Christian Solli**

11.20 Communication Strategist **Mikael Östblom** from Chalmers/GU GMV sharing his experience on business travel. By ferry from Denmark to Iceland..

11.30 Office manager **Sigurlaug Lövdahl** from HI, University of Iceland “Iceland the island – different challenges”

11.40-11.45 summary, we will continue after lunch at 13.00.

LUNCH BREAK 11:45-13:00

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13.00 Key findings from the previous session by senior sustainability advisor, **Meri Löyttyniemi**

13.05 Sustainability expert **Virpi Kuitto** from University of Helsinki presenting the developing policy and flight compensations of UH

13.15 Sustainability controller **Ullika Lundgren** from Gothenburg University presenting the internal Climate Fund as a tool for reduced environmental impact

13.25 Greencampus manager **Tomas R. Poulsen** from University of Copenhagen with the headline “Addressing behavior? – department and personal employee travel and CO2-emission footprint at UCPH”

13.35-13.45 Q & A, summary by the moderator

The session will be interactive by asking participants contributions with an online poll. Most of the presenters will be located in their home institutions, thus implementing the theme of the conference.

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