

Portfolio board for Global development and International relations

Minutes	Meeting 1/22
Date	7 April, CET 10:00 am – 3:00 pm
Place	Zoom

Present: Liv Tørres (chair)
Rainer Elk Anders
Nynke van den Broek
Kerry Brown
Christopher Cramer
Elise Must
Camilla Tenna Nørup Sørensen
Annelies Zoomers
Isabell Schierenbeck

Observers: Hanne Meldgaard, The Ministry of Foreign Affairs
Marianne van der Wel, The Ministry of Health and Care Services

Apologies: Juliet Nabyonga Orem, Niklaus Labhardt, Kerry Brown (first part of the meeting),
Hanne Meldgaard (first part of the meeting).

Item PSGLOBAL 1/22 Approval of agenda

No amendments were made.

Decision: The Portfolio board approved the agenda for the meeting.

Item PSGLOBAL 2/22 Minutes of meeting 4/21

Decision: The minutes were approved.

Item PSGLOBAL 3/22 Updates from the administration

The administration informed about the Research Council of Norway's participation in the Global Research Council's (GRC) upcoming pilot call on implementation and innovation for the achievement of the SDGs called Sustainable Development Goals Pilot Call. 11 countries will participate and have contributed with funding. More details about this will follow in September when we will discuss the Portfolio's Investment plan.

The administration continues the dialogue with the Ministry of Foreign Affairs regarding the budgetary restrictions in the yearly allotment to the Research Council .

Decision: *The updates from the administration were taken note of.*

Item PSGLOBAL 4/22

Information about the investment decision on the AMR-Call

The administration informed about the new regulation for cross portfolio financed project decisions and its impact on the joint call on Antimicrobial Resistance from a One Health Perspective. This is a joint effort between three portfolios at the RCN; PB Health, PB Land-based food, the environment and bioresources and PB Global Development and International relations. The final decision on which projects receive funding will be made by the PB for Health since this portfolio has the largest amount of funds in the call. The Portfolio Board for Global Development and International relations are invited to participate in the decision making at the PB Health meeting in June.

Decision: *The Portfolio board took the information into consideration and appointed Nynke van den Broek as its representative in this process. In addition, it was proposed that the administration should ask Juliet Nabyonga Orem if she was available and willing to participate as well.*

Item PSGLOBAL 5/22

Symposium 2022

The Board discussed the proposed symposium on Equitable Global Partnerships, as presented by Christopher Cramer, Nynke van den Broek and Rainer Elk Anders. Following the discussion, the Board agreed that the symposium should be a full day event with a scope as outlined below:

The target group: The Portfolio Board, invited speakers and representatives of Norwegian stakeholders from the research community and user groups.

Time and place: Digital event, in October 2022.

Proposed topics: Equitable partnerships, Ethics and Securitisation of research, Decolonising knowledge.

Set-up: Sectorial panels. Survey among the participants

Funding: Pending (to be solved by the administration)

Decision: *The Board's working group (Christopher, Nynke and Rainer) will continue outline a programme for the symposium according to the discussion in the Board. The RCN administration will clarify whether the necessary funding and administrative resources are available for the planning and implementation of the event.*

Item PSGLOBAL 6/22

The Revision of the the Portfolio Plan

The administration presented the results of the hearing and explained how the inputs from the open consultation had been considered and included in the revised portfolio plan, as shown in the powerpoint presentation to the Board. Some of the input was deemed too detailed for the portfolio plan but will be considered for the investment plans.

This was followed by a chapter-by-chapter discussion of the revised, after the hearing, Portfolio Plan.

An overall comment by the members of the Portfolio Board is that the Portfolio Plan is now better balanced than before and much easier to read. Some parts are however still too detailed and some adjustments in the text are still needed.

Attached to the Minutes of meeting you will find the revised Portfolio Plan with the inputs from the Board's discussion reflected in the text.

Decision: *The Board members were given time to the end of Monday 11th April to send in their comments and suggestions for revised text. A new version of the Portfolio plan will then be sent to the Board for final comments and adoption with deadline 20th April.*

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Any other business

There was no other business.