21/05/21 Research Committee (RC) meeting, 09.30-11.00

Attending:

Peter (chair), Kai, Mikael, Camilla, Lea, Henrik, Carsten, Marianne, Eva, Branwen (notes)

General discussion on current situation

There will be a reduction in fundraising support with the recent layoffs, which will need addressing thoroughly in time. The central support office may be able to offer some support, but the general experience with them is not promising, with concerns raised around budget concerns and lack of availability. There may be scope to integrate more fundraising activities into the secretariat.

Points were also raised about asking for more government money, and about the need for a more thorough strategy for identifying opportunities for research-based consultancy in Denmark.

- → Investigate further what support is available from the central support office/ how to work with them
- → Majken and Peter to be added to John's mailing lists for temporary support

Remarks to notes from last regular meeting and strategy meeting

Bibliometric issues – next round in the committee will be on upgrading journals:

→ Please send updates to Kai as soon as possible.

We have earlier discussed having salary reference lists for application budgets. There are, however, GDPR issues with this and it has been concluded that a voluntary waiver would make access possible. However, due to the administration of circulating this waiver form and the complications that arise when only some on an application team have signed the waiver, we decided not to go further with this.

Regarding extra expenses (admin, secretariat, lab or tech support) to be included in project budgets, a set of clear guidelines might help the situation.

Dates for Carsten's summer house strategy meeting in June to be proposed shortly.

DFF Green Transition pitch-and-review

Pitch process reviewed favourably – a good strategy moving forward and a useful process for all.

Discussion on how to go ahead with managing the review process for the upcoming deadline. Reduced level of service this time around:

- → Applicants and reviewers to coordinate between themselves dates for reviews and responses etc.
- → Communication support (Branwen) to be on a first-come first-served basis, with review of introductions only.