

IEA- and deputy head of dept info – 19 January 2015

Latest previous info on 8 December 2014.

Important dates

21 January, 13.00, Kårhuset?: Farewell celebration for the outgoing LTH leadership and welcome to the new organisation.

12 February: Deadline for PhD students' registration for Spring 2015.

Staff

Mats: 60% leave of absence for work at Volvo AB. Normally at IEA during even weeks.

Travels/vacation:

Ramesh: vacation, back on Jan. 26.

Evrpidis: Guest researcher at University of Melbourne, Australia 13 Feb.-June (?) 2015.

Magnus: Guest researcher at University of Queensland, Brisbane, Australia May-Aug 2015.

Samuel: parental leave 80% Jan. 5 2015- July 3 2015.

Fadi Abdallah leaving IEA

Just a reminder that Jan. 31 is Fadi's last official day at IEA before starting his new position at ABB in Ludvika. IEA wishes Fadi all the luck and success on his new adventures. Fadi will still finish and defend his PhD at IEA as soon as possible.

Evrpidis Karatsivos to Australia

Evrpidis will be a guest researcher at University of Melbourne, Australia during 6 months of 2015 (approximately 13 Feb. – June(?)).

Study period 3 starting

Today is the first day of study period 3. This means that in Lund IEA starts four courses: Electrical Engineering for E, Power Electronics, Mechatronics – Industrial Product Design and Automation. In Helsingborg IEA starts three courses: Electrical Machines and Drives, Automation and Automatic Control.

External project situation at IEA

During 2015 a number of IEA's larger external research projects are ending and we need to find new funding/projects to continue our research at the current level. Mats has already secured a couple of new projects with Volvo, SHC etc and are applying for more, we have a new project with ESS on transformer design starting up, we just submitted three EU ETN Marie Curie proposals (one on Power Systems (Olof) and two on Water Management (Ulf) – total of 5 PhD students), we have one application on Anaerobic Digestion Modelling with Energimyndigheten (Ulf) and Jonas has started working on a new EU project on Risk Management called CasEff. Hopefully these and other new applications will allow IEA to continue its high research ambitions.

All individual study plans handed in?

The deadline for registering the individual study plans has passed. Hopefully everyone has completed this task.

Registration of all PhD students for Spring 2015

All research students (employed and industrial ones) must individually as always register for their studies for this semester. You do this at <http://www.student.lu.se>. Deadline is February 12. More info is your mail box (Ulrika's room) and in the coffee room.

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Olof Samuelsson has applied for promotion to full professor

Olof has handed in his application for promotion to full professor in *Industrial Automation with orientation towards Electric Power Systems*. The application is fully supported by IEA and the head of BME.

Hans Bångtsson is increasing his IEA employment

As of Jan. 1 Hans is employed 50% by IEA (previously 20%). The plan is that Hans will continue at least until the age of 67 (Aug. 2016) and he will now be involved in several research projects in extension to his teaching responsibilities.

The new IEA position as assistant professor

The new assistant professor position at IEA within risk management and resilient infrastructures will soon be open for applicants.

Finn Landegren responsible for IEA seminar announcements

Fadi has been responsible for sending out emails announcing seminars, MSc thesis presentations etc and making that information also available on our web site during the last few years. As Fadi is now leaving IEA this responsibility is transferred to Finn. So when you have a seminar you want to announce then contact Finn.

Congratulations to Jörgen

On Jan. 2 Jörgen celebrated his 50th birthday. IEA congratulates him and we will arrange some kind of celebration ceremony as soon as possible.

Congratulations to Getachew

On Jan. 14 Getachew celebrated his 25 years at IEA. IEA congratulated him and looks forward to many more years together with GD. All the excellent work that GD carries out for IEA is so essential for the entire division.

Seed money for IEA's E-PowerLab

IEA applied for several millions last fall from LTH to design, develop and build up a new Power laboratory at IEA that can be used by both our electrical research groups and allow us to do research that we cannot perform today. We did not get any major funding at this time but a closer look at the decision documents from LTH shows that we received 300 kkr as seed money to start the planning of such a lab. We will apply for money also in the fall of 2015.

New MSc thesis students starting

IEA has a number of new MSC thesis projects starting up their work. Check the thesis bulletin board in the main corridor for an update.

New digital system for individual study plans

A decision exists that the entire university should use the same system for defining and updating study plans for PhD students. However, this work has been delayed. The Faculty of Engineering has therefore decided that until such a new general system is available we should all use the system developed by the EIT department. This is available at <http://fukurser.lth.se/isp> and should be used by all IEA PhD students when we update the study plans before the summer of 2015.

Farewell celebration for LTH's outgoing leadership and welcome to the new one on January 21

On Jan. 21 at 13 we can all thank the outgoing leadership organisation of LTH and welcome the new organisation. Unclear where, probably at Kårhuset.

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Guidelines for solving conflicts between PhD student and supervisor

LTH has defined guidelines and rules of how conflicts between PhD students and their supervisors should be handled and resolved – from proactive work to appointing a new supervisor. More info in the coffee room.

Seminars and info meetings

A number of seminars and information meetings on various topics are announced in the coffee room.

CED workshops

CED is offering a number of interesting workshops during the fall. Get information at lararmotesplatsen.lu.se, a new web site for all of us teaching at Lund University.

Pedagogic and research courses for IEA staff

It is high time to sign up for this spring's numerous courses provided by the faculty and university for its co-workers via CED (Centre for Educational Development). Check the link

www.lth.se/genombrottet/hoegskolepedagogisk_utbildning_kursutbud/

for faculty of engineering courses and

www.ced.lu.se/list/omradesgemensamma-kurser.aspx

for general Lund university courses.

Also check <http://kompetensportalen.lu.se> for different internal LU staff courses.

For faculty courses related to research and research education check out

www.lth.se/omlth/kompetensutveckling/gemensamma_forskarutbildningskurser/

The new general data base for all specific PhD student related courses at LTH is found at

http://www.lth.se/forskning/forskarutbildning_lth/kurser/kursutbud/

Leadership courses can be found at

http://www5.lu.se/images/Kompetensutveckling/Ledartrappan_121128.jpg and at Kompetensportalen of LU.

Also check out the PhD student courses arranged by the department of Automatic Control. They often have several highly interesting courses in the pipeline.

<http://www.control.lth.se/Education/DoctorateProgram.html>

There is always something useful for everyone to learn.

Scholarships, travel grants etc

Always keep an eye on the university web page for scholarships and travel grants:

<http://www.lu.se/forskningsbidrag>

You also apply for grants through this page. Also remember to look for grants from Kungliga

Fysiografiska Sällskapet via their web site:

<http://www.fysiografen.se/stipendier/default.asp>