

IEA- and deputy head of dept info – 5 October 2015

Latest previous info on 21 September 2015.

Important dates

October 16, Lund University aula: inauguration of new professors (Olof Samuelsson).

Staff

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

Travels/vacation:

Erik: parental leave Sept. 2015 – March 2016.

Finn: parental leave 50% spring 2016 and 100% fall 2016.

Evipidis: leave of absence Sept. 2015 – Feb. 2016.

Ulf at a EU-COST meeting in Catania, Sicily, 18-21 October.

Nov. 28 – Dec. 1: IEA Electrical Engineering research group in England.

Successful crayfish party at IEA on October 2

Thanks to the efforts of Gabriel, Finn, Seb, Carina the ‘traditional’ IEA crayfish party on the evening of Friday October 2 was a great success. Almost 20 people participated and enjoyed food, drinks, singing, ‘crayfish-quizz’ etc.

Major unix server problems at IEA

On Saturday morning one of the hard drives for our unix server failed. It is the drive with all users’ directories including also all www material. Some older backups exist on the new unix server and on the PC server (e.g. the www directory, from 2015-08-17).

- 1) Everyone who use POP when reading emails still have a working mail system.
- 2) Those who use IMAP cannot read emails.
- 3) Those who have forwarding of emails from your iea account to some other account will not get any emails to the forwarding address.
- 4) The IEA web page is dead.

For those using IMAP and/or forwarding of emails – set up a mail client so you instead read your emails directly from the mail server ohm.iea.lth.se using POP.

With regard to the web server there is nothing you can do for the time being.

New financial system for LU

Lund University is changing its financial software system ORFI to Raindance (starting 1 January). This means that administrators must spend time learning the new system and also that the project numbers etc for all projects change. IEA will still have 107391 as its main ‘kostnadsställe’ and the division into ‘verksamhetsgrenar’ 11, 21, 35, 55, 91 remains. But all the individual projects will get new numbers (basically random numbers) and will therefore be more difficult to find and remember. IEA will create an updated list with numbers and project names and distribute asap.

Inauguration of new professors

On October 16 in the university aula the new professors of LU will be ‘inaugurated’. IEA congratulates Olof Samuelsson on his great achievements.

Safety instructions for the lab

Olof has put together a new safety instruction to be used by students in the labs. The preliminary version is available in the coffee room. Please comment and add on to the document (provide changes to Olof). It will exist in both Swedish and English and should be given to all students that are involved in labs with high current/voltage. The instructions should also be available at all course web sites that have such type of labs.

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Anonymous exams

In 4 weeks we start using the anonymous examination system. Students will sign their exams with a code and a special identifying sentence/code word. An example of the new exam covers and the instructions is available in the coffee room.

Archiving at IEA

A professional archive worker visited IEA 2 weeks ago. In accordance to Swedish law the archiving must improve dramatically at Lund University. LU is currently doing an inventory of all department of the amount of work required for this. For IEA the work time for a professional archive person was estimated at 5 months full-time work. We had 70 meter of official documents that need to be labelled, categorized and archived. Note that this does not include documentation related to research – only education, economy and other administrative documents were considered. A new inventory will be made later related to research project documentation. It is unclear at this point how all this archiving will be handled (who will pay, who will do the work etc).

Info from the M-building board

Electronic locks to lecture halls, main corridors etc will now be installed. The work starts around Nov. 1 and will hopefully be finished by Xmas.

The renovation of the lab-building part will start 2017. The Annex has got an extended permit (bygglov) to exist for 2 more years.

No decisions made about what will happen to the free space when Max-lab moves out by the end of this year.

A fire and evacuation exercise in the M-building is planned for early November.

The work to extend the storage rooms in the basement below Södra Apparathallen is initiated this week. Part of the basement will be looked to avoid theft during the time this work is on-going so remember it will be hard to get access to material in our basement storage room for a few weeks.

A new consultant will analyse the wireless WiFi in the entire M-building in November. The modifications will be made to guarantee better coverage and access speed.

Evaluation of research education at LTH

All research topics are handing in extensive reports describing their quality efforts related to research education to LTH. Olof has been coordinating the reports from IEA, which will be handed in during this week. A copy will be made available in the coffee room for all to read. This effort is somewhat of a practice exercise for next year when all research educations will be evaluated on a national level.

A number of upcoming seminars/courses (more info in coffee room)

PhD courses (applications accepted as long as there are spots available):

- **Kickstart to Academic Life:** Information Management and Publication Process (7.5 credits)

Course period: Oct. 19 – Dec. 5

- **Philosophy of Science** (7.5 credits)

Course period: Nov. 2 – Jan. 15

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 fall'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.

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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 KompetensportalenLU.

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> and [Lund University Scholarship portal](#).

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>