

IEA- and deputy head of dept info – 9 November 2015

Latest previous info on 26 October 2015.

Important dates

December 4, Biskopshuset: Seminar and celebration of professor Olof Samuelsson.

Staff

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

Henriette: sick leave from Nov. 17 and 2-4 weeks onwards.

Erik: parental leave Sept. 2015 – March 2016.

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

Rasmus: parental leave Jan. – Aug. or Sept. 2016.

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

Travels/vacation:

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

Nov. 12 Ulf, Kim and Ramesh in Denmark; Dec. 2-4 Ulf in Stockholm; Dec. 14 Ulf in Stockholm.

Celebration of professor Olof Samuelsson

On December 4 IEA (Olof) will host a seminar day in the afternoon to celebrate the 100-year anniversary of the first power cable connection between Sweden and Denmark and to celebrate Olof's appointment as full professor. Olof, Sture, Lars G, Jörgen, Jonas, Gustaf etc will give presentations. Location will be Biskopshuset in Lund. The event will start around lunch time and go on for 3-4 hours.

New salaries from October 1

All labour organisations and Lund University have now agreed upon the new salary agreement, which starts October 1. For PhD students the salary was increased by 600 kr/month and has already been put into action from the October salary. For other co-workers the new salaries will probably be paid starting from November 25 (retroactively from Oct. 1).

PRIMULA system closed Dec. 14-18

The electronic system for declaring travel expenses and other expenses will be closed Dec. 14-18. Therefore if you have travel expenses etc that you want to be refunded for before January you must enter your requests in the Primula system not later than around Dec. 5. Otherwise you will not be refunded until end of January.

PhD student position

IEA has evaluated the four applications for the new PhD student position related to the project EIONRoad. Philip Abrahamsson has been selected for the position. Hopefully he starts as a doctoral student at IEA from Dec. 1.

Updating the personal plans for all senior staff

Before Dec. 31 the personal plans for all senior staff must be updated (for the next three years) and delivered to LU. Henriette and Jörgen are organising this and you may expect a visit from them.

Start of study period 2

Last Monday was the first day of study period 2. For IEA this means that in Lund we have started the course Wind Power Systems and continue the courses Electrical Engineering for M and Applied Mechatronics. At Campus Hbg we have started the courses Electrical Engineering and Power Electronics and continue the courses Automation Technology FK and Project in Automation. In total seven courses. Note that course Industrial Measurement Systems is not active in 2015 (but will return in 2016).

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New agreement with ESS

IEA and ESS are close to signing a new agreement. This agreement gives ESS some access to IEA infrastructure (coffee room, some tools and instruments etc.) and some assistance with design and building some equipment. This agreement will run until February 2017 and provide some better working conditions for the ESS staff in Södra Apparathallen.

MAXLAB clean up

MAXLAB will move all their activities to the new MAX IV facility at the end of this year. Therefore they are giving away much of the equipment they have at MAXLAB. Ulf will arrange a visit to MAXLAB for some IEA staff to see what they have and if it is something that IEA can make use of. If they do not find other Swedish universities and similar authorities to take over the equipment it will all be trashed.

Success for the updated Electrical Engineering for M course

Thanks to a great effort by Henriette, Gunnar, Johan and Ingmar the updated ETG course is so far a great success. The mechanical engineering program management has interviewed and talked to a large number of students to get their views on the updated course and the reactions are very positive. The M management has congratulated IEA on the recent development. Henriette has also initiated a program for make some deeper interviews with some of the students during this study period. There are still a number of things we need to update and modify for next year but the changes already initiated have proven to be highly positive. Extra info only orally.

Election of BME board

The electronic voting to elect a new board for the BME department has now closed (was open Oct. 26 until Nov. 6). I trust and hope that everyone cast a vote. The elected board members will soon be announced and hopefully the new board will start its work on January 1 2016.

Extended storage room in basement completed

The extension of IEA's storage room in the basement (nätförrådet) is now completed. It is essential that we use these extra square meters in the best way. First by taking the opportunity to reorganize the material that we already have in the room (now when there is some space), so that the essential equipment becomes more easily accessible and that we get rid of some of the stuff we have not used for 10-20 years. Secondly try to move some equipment from our labs on the ground floor into the extended storage room so that these rooms become accessible again (e.g. lab 9). So we need to make maximum use of the extra space for the benefit of IEA activities and IEA research. If there is a need to buy new shelves or similar to better organize the room then that is perfectly OK. No private stuff is allowed to go into the storage room. Getachew and Lars will be IN CHARGE of making best use of the new space. You are free to call upon other co-workers of IEA to help you. Material/equipment that someone else wants to put into the storage room must first be approved by GD and Lars.

Numerous workshops and seminars

- PhD course on "Designers/engineers and sustainable development", 7.5 hp starting January 2016. More info in the coffee room.
- Half-day workshop on "Addressing impact in grant applications" on November 26. Maximize the impact on your future applications! More info in the coffee room.
- Seminar regarding Intellectual Properties and issues related to that on Nov. 12 by professor Ulf Petrusson. More info in the coffee room.
- The traditional cake-seminar in the E-building, Nov 19 at 14:06 in room 1406. Åsa Hansson will present "Min vandring genom skatteforskningen och skattepolitiken i Sverige – en ganska trång och enslig stig". More info in the coffee room.
- Countdown "party" for Lund University's 350-year anniversary in 2016. Dec. 11 at 15:00 in Lund cathedral. More info in the coffee room.
- Come and discuss LU's new strategic plan. Nov. 25 at 14:45 in Palestra's auditorium. More info in the coffee room.

New chance for training in CPR and use of heart starters

A new possibility to participate in CPR training and use of heart starters is here. So far Carina, Gunnar

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and Getachew have completed this training. One opportunity is Nov. 19 08:30 – 11:00 and another opportunity is Nov. 23 13:00-16:00. Contact Ulf ASAP if you want to attend.

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 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 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](http://www.lu.se/scholarship).

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>