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IEG News

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News from the administration

Defenses

Máté Vass: Friday the 7th Feb. at 13:00 in Friessalen

Title: Bound to the past: Historical contingency in aquatic microbial metacommunities

Opponent: Dr. Steven Declerck, Netherlands Institute of Ecology (NIOO-KNAW)

Newly employed economist in the administration

Anna Backeryd, newly employed economist in the administration, will take over at Eva Nordin-Sundqvist's retirement later this spring. Anna comes from a similar position at the Department of Genetics and Pathology at the University.

Are you planning to apply for a research grant?

Grant applications including financial calculations must be reviewed by the program's economist for further processing to the program- and department head. Ask your economist for an updated version of the budget sheet for 2020. Remember to inform your economist once you have received the grant, the information is needed in order to transfer the funds to our account.

New contract for travel agency services from 2020

The University has signed a new agreement with Lingmerths, valid from 2020. A new feature is that you can book your business trip with [Cytrix APP](#). For more information about travel, see [Medarbetarportalen](#).

Business travel insurance / EU card / Kammarkollegiet card

Employees at Uppsala University are insured via Kammarkollegiet during business travel on behalf of the University. If you travel within EU & Schengen and have a personal identity number, or a coordination number, you should bring an "EU card" (European Health insurance Card) with you from Försäkringskassan: [Order the EU card here](#). Also remember to bring a "Kammarkollegiet card" (Swedish State Business Travel Insurance Certificate). Contact Annette Berger or Jenny Lundh to get this card. More information about travelling available [here](#).

News from the Equal Opportunities group

The equal opportunities group at IEG has got three new members:

Madeline Chase and Mercé Montoliu Nerin from Evolutionary biology and Luis Leal from Plant ecology and evolution. Annette Berger (HR), Sebastian Sobek from Limnology and Veera Tuovinen from Evolutionary biology continue in the group. If you have any equal opportunities related questions or concerns do not hesitate to contact any member of the group.

Media interviews

Per Alström has been interviewed twice by Vetenskapsradion (Swedish Public Service). [The first interview](#) is about biological diversity and conservation in 2020 and [the second](#) is about a paper in which ten new species of bird were discovered in a single expedition. The interviews are both in Swedish.

Katerina Guschanski has been [interviewed](#) by the UK publication The Conversation about uncertainties in estimating the number of Gorillas.

Blog post

Per Alström has written a [blog post](#) about the proliferation of Prinia species for the British Ornithologists' Union.