STRATEGY DISCUSSION FOR CIH - SUMMARY

Date and time: Friday 15. November kl. 0900-1500
Place: Bellevue Restauranter, address: Bellevuebakken 9; wonderful view although much rain and fog. Lunch was served, lovely food. (The atmosphere was kind of elevated.)

The purpose of the day was: To discuss important issues related to the life at CIH and to make the group stronger. As some important persons were missing, we looked at 223 photos from CIH events, taken by T. Tylleskär, and listened to music “We are the world, for Africa, 1985).

RESEARCH GROUPS
After presentations by:
- Rolv Terje Lie (RTL), describing scientific basis for research groups (usefulness) as well as different solutions and thoughts regarding research groups at IGS in Kalfarveien 31.
- Cecilie Svanes, describing the Bergen Respiratory Research Group, underlining the need for both high scientific skills and good social relations.
- Astrid Blystad, describing the research group both at CIH and IGS: ”Global health: ethics, economics and culture”, showing the dynamics within this construction.

- We discussed a lot and made a
  Decision: We will try to establish several research groups at CIH. Together they will form the CIH cluster of research groups, and have joint scientific meetings (maybe on Mondays; related to the Monday information meeting we already have).
Find out which groups we can have at CIH: We need a name of the group, the name of a leader, name of the members and a short description of what the group will work on. Each person at CIH should find a main group to be a member of, but can co-operate with other groups. It is also possible not to be in a group at all. The group must be a meeting place for the researchers and related students. No specific size of the group is required.
We will discuss this on Mondays and have a formal summary meeting about this before Christmas. If this is not possible, we will change plans!

THE NEW ORGANISATION
- A short description of Department of Global Public Health and Primary Care (IGS) – staffs/groups/visions/work tasks etc. was given by RTL
- A short historical summary of the start of CIH and the old guidelines was given by Gunnar Kvåle

Decision: A small working group updates the guidelines and brings it forward to “Rådet” at IGS (RTL, Bente, Sven Gudmund, Gunnar, Halvor)

WHAT IS THE VISION OF CIH?
- What is a vision? Kristian Heggenhougen told us and gave examples
- CISMAC – missions were given by Halvor Sommerfelt
CIH and CISMAC will work on the vision statement together - We need more time!

FUTURE RESEARCH TOPICS
- Vaccine research was discussed. We will not have a laboratory, but can co-operate more with researchers who has (BBB). We are interested in vaccines for developing countries, and interested in how to use them in practical life – related to health systems. Vaccine research should not be made without this aspect involved, if CIH is involved.

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