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University of Copenhagen Working Group for Development and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs invites for a

Seminar

Improvement of research applications to the Danish Consultative Research Committee for Development Research (FFU)

Date:	1 November 2012
Time:	13.00-15.30 Part 1 (open for all) 15.30-17:00 Part 2 (for University of Copenhagen employees only)
Venue:	University of Copenhagen, Frederiksberg Campus, "Festauditoriet" Lecture Hall A 1-01.01, Bülowsvej 17, ground floor.
Registration:	to development@adm.ku.dk no later than **Monday 22 October 2012**

Programme:

Part 1	***Development Research Priorities 2012 (open for all)***
13.00	Welcome: Chair of University of Copenhagen Working Group for Development Niels Elers Koch
13.10	Key note: Priorities in North-South research cooperation - seen from a partner perspective: Dr. Paul Nampala, Grants Manager at Regional Universities Forum for Capacity Building in Agriculture (RUFORUM)
13.45	Questions
14.00	The FFU themes and priorities: Tove Degnbol, The Danish Ministry of Foreign Affairs
	The new FFU rules and regulations: Bente Ilsøe, Danida Fellowship Centre
	Questions and comments
15.00	Coffee
Part 2	***Cross disciplinarity and quality assurance (University of Copenhagen employees only)***
15.30	The way ahead by Niels Elers Koch and others
16.30	Sandwiches and drinks – networking

Opportunities for University of Copenhagen researchers

The University of Copenhagen has published its first Strategy for Research, Education and Institutional Capacity Strengthening in Relation to Developing Countries in 2012. One of the objectives of the strategy is to explore synergies between faculties and enhance interdisciplinary research. The University of Copenhagen has the most comprehensive research society in Denmark regarding development issues, but many researchers do not know of each other and are not properly experienced in applying for funds at the Danish Consultative Research Committee for Development Research (FFU) that gives out approximately 100 million DKK each year.

Therefore the University of Copenhagen Working Group for Development invites all researchers at University of Copenhagen to apply for seed money for writing inter disciplinary applications to FFU and to make use of the quality assurance offer described below.

Check out the Danida Fellowship Centre webpage for information about the Call – expected early in October: http://www.dfcentre.com/

1. "Seed money" for inter disciplinary applications – before the seminar

All researchers at University of Copenhagen that intend to write an inter disciplinary application for FFU are invited to send a very short application (maximum one page) for "seed money" to the University of Copenhagen Working Group for Development. A maximum of 20.000 DKK for each FFU application can be applied for. Funds can be used for e.g. inviting external partners, consultants or meetings – the only condition is that it focus on cooperation across new groups across departments and faculties and the funds are used as "seed money".
Deadline for "seed money" applications: **Monday 22 October 2012 (12:00 hours).** Send application to: development@adm.ku.dk.

2. Quality assurance of FFU applications - after the seminar

Phase I FFU applications: After the seminar, and well in time before the phase I FFU deadline for submitting applications, researchers from University of Copenhagen are invited to send their draft FFU application for comments and quality assurance to one of the following former FFU members from University of Copenhagen:

- Professor Peter Skinhøj, Faculty of Health and Medical Sciences: skinhoej@rh.dk
- Associate Professor Anne Marie Ejdesgaard Jeppesen, Faculty of Humanities: ejdesgd@hum.ku.dk

Phase II FFU applications: After phase I of FFU applications, the project leaders of the pre-qualified FFU projects are invited to contact one of the following former FFU members from University of Copenhagen directly for questions and comments, but it needs to be well in time before the second round FFU deadline:

- Professor Anette Reenberg, Faculty of Science: ar@geo.ku.dk
- Professor Peter Skinhøj, Faculty of Health and Medical Sciences: skinhoej@rh.dk
- Associate Professor Anne Marie Ejdesgaard Jeppesen, Faculty of Humanities: ejdesgd@hum.ku.dk