

Research Committee

Summary of meeting

September 22nd, 2014

Attendees:

Prof. Boris Khoruzhenko, Head of School
Prof. Yan Fyodorov, Director of Research (*Chair*)
Maria Dlugosch, Research & Enterprise Manager (*Secretary*)
Jo Young, School Manager
Prof. Vito Latora (Head of Group, Complex Systems and Networks)
Prof. R. Wilkinson (Head of Group, Algebra)
Prof. Alexander Gnedin (Head of Group, Probability and Applications)
Dr. Heiko Grossman (Head of Group, Statistics and Data Analysis)
Dr. Rainer Klages (Director of PGR Studies)
Dr. Wolfram Just (Impact Champion)

1. Apologies

Prof. Bill Jackson, Prof. Cho-Ho Chu

2. Minutes from last meeting

- Minutes agreed for accuracy
- Policy for sharing research proposals as agreed upon in last meeting (By default: successful research proposals will be shared, unless PI explicitly says he doesn't want to) was not circulated.

Action: Prof. Yan Fyodorov to circulate policy again.

3. Terms of Reference

- Position of Postdoctoral Representative is vacant– **Prof. Yan Fyodorov** to encourage Postdocs to find representative
- Terms of reference approved

4. Update on proposal pipeline & checklist

- **Agreed:** Inform Research & Enterprise Manager if application has been unsuccessful
- Peer review template: BK wants to be informed that process has taken place & what was the outcome of internal review.
- **Action:** **Maria Dlugosch** to re-circulate template for peer review.

5. Research Seminar Series & School Colloquium (matter 7)

- Research Seminar Series approved
BK encourages equal gender representation & diversity in seminar series
- Colloquium: 3 talks (Nov 3rd, Nov 17th, Dec 1st), **Prof. Yan Fyodorov** to circulate more information as it becomes available
It was decided that a colloquium webpage is to be created and maintained by the Director of Research

6. New Research Groups

- Roles: document was circulated for suggestions in HoSAG. No comments on amended document.
- **Agreed:** First version of Memberships & presentation of group. Heads of Groups responsible for re-structuring information on website and populating website with pertinent information.
The prevailing opinion of HoGs is that a clear division in Primary Members vs Secondary Members should be retained in the group web presentation for both internal and external viewing.
- **Agreed:** Groups should have basic information on website by Nov 6th showcase.
- Publications – up to groups to decide if they want to list publications by group or by individuals.

7. Research & Industrial Engagement Conference 2014

- Maria Dlugosch to keep HoR updated as more information is available.
- Nov 25th: showcase for PhDs, awaiting further information. Goal: recruit new PhD students.

8. PhD Studentship funding

- Studentship gets 3.5 years of funding, but submission deadline is 4 years.
- Students are struggling to finance PhD work after 3.5 years
- Weak solution got confirmed at HoSAG
- Rainer Klages calls for intermediate solution as suggested in the document.
- **Action:** Rainer Klages to draft very short policy along the lines of intermediate solution

9. Any other business

- **Prof. Yan Fyodorov** to meet with Heads of Research to discuss research issues, state of groups, possible appointment & recruitment policy

10. Date of next meeting: Dec 8th, 2.00-3.30 pm