



New IGP Board

IGP has recently concluded an election of members for the new Department Board. This procedure is part of the tradition of collegial decision-making that makes up the foundation for the management.

As one of only a few universities in Sweden, Uppsala University has kept the tradition of having department boards. They are, together with the heads of department, the major decision-making bodies at the department level. According to the regulations for department boards, decided by the University Board, elections are organised to make sure that board members are elected in a democratic way and that different staff categories are represented in the board. This includes academic teachers/researchers, technical and administrative personnel, PhD students and undergraduate students.

The mandate for the board is broad, including decisions on the department's budget and overall guidelines of the department's activities, and to initiate recruitments for academic positions. The new members of the board take up their important work after the summer, but have already held their statutory meeting.



From the Head of Department

Another academic year comes to an end, and before wishing you all a relaxing summer holiday it is a pleasure to look back at achievements by IGP. In our everyday life, we don't always reflect upon what makes our workplace a successful department, and how we can enhance it even further.

This year, however, has been one of reflections, as the Quality and Renewal (KoF17) evaluation of IGP, as a research environment, has taken place. I have just discussed the evaluation panel's preliminary report and recommendations with the group leaders and infrastructure facility/work team leaders at IGP. While the report is not yet final, I can't resist sharing the following remarks by the panel: *"IGP has internationally prominent research group leaders and research programs, performs highly innovative work and has a very strong infrastructure. The overall of impression of the panel is that IGP performs excellent research, which is internationally very competitive."* Based on the panel's observations, previous documentation and the interviews during the evaluation week they will give a number of recommendations that will be available for everyone to read in the final report, recommendations that will be thoroughly considered.

But that is for the fall, let's now all go out and enjoy the precious Swedish summer, or any summer, wherever you spend your vacations.

Christer Betsholtz receives Anders Jahre Award for Medical Research

The Anders Jahre Award for Medical Research honours research of outstanding quality in basic and clinical medicine in the Nordic countries. The prize is for NOK 2 million and is awarded by the University of Oslo.

Double grants to Sven Nelander

The Swedish Foundation for Strategic Research has awarded Sven Nelander a research grant of SEK 30 million during five years. He shares the grant with the co-applicants Christer Betsholtz and Bengt Westermark at IGP, and Philip Gerlee and Rebecka Jörnsten at University of Gothenburg. In addition, Sven Nelander also recently received a Senior Investigator Award from the Swedish Cancer Society, which means funding of a six-year position.

Region Uppsala's research prize to Gunilla Enblad

Gunilla Enblad has been awarded Region Uppsala's research prize for 2016 for her research on lymphoma. The prize is for SEK 10 000 and rewards patient oriented research that has contributed to significant improvements in health care.

