

CT labour dinner/workshop for young CT scholars

Dear CT,

At our last writing retreat in Sandbjerg, we reflected on that the role of the programme could play in supporting the members who have more precarious contracts. We also discussed work-overloads of members who have tenure. This led us to reflect on ways to work with what we have, rather than blindly looking for "more" funding and labour. In a sense we can say that we discussed the sustainability of the programme.

We discussed some ideas to improve our internal organisation, but also our external partnerships/visibility. Some of the things we came up with are for instance:

- Making a data bank for PhD student work hours that could be used for the programme (conferences/grant application/teaching)
- Creating a 'help' function to highlight member/group activities that need (wo)man-power.

- Making member's teaching profiles more visible, to facilitate teaching collaboration
- Making member's work contracts (start/end dates) more visible so that we could keep each other in mind when we come across posts or relevant connections.
 - Promote our skills to other universities/sectors through our website, workshops and collaborations.
- Appointing a 'connector' that ensures that these issues are taken care of on a regular basis

In order to give these ideas life, we need your help and input. We have therefore organised a **dinner/brainstorm/jam-session on Thursday the 30**th **of March, 19.00** at AM's home, where you are all invited. (Brendstrupvej 94, 8200 Aarhus N (AM's mobile: 40231785)

The event is intended to orient you more in-depth about our ideas/concerns, but most importantly, to learn more about what the most urgent challenges you are facing in your current employment conditions (as they range from phd, post-doc, external lecturers etc.). Ideas and suggestions are of course what we are hunting for.

Please confirm your participation and bring your thoughts. **Deadline** is March 15th

Participants (confirmed by March 8th):

- 1. Birgit Eriksson
- 2. Katrine Solvang Larsen
- 3. Rui Xu
- 4. Ekatarine Kalinina
- 5. Sarah Schorr
- 6. Matthias Stephen
- 7. Christina Jerne
- 8. Anne Marit Waade
- 9. Ann-Kathrine
- 10. Katrien Tiidenberg
- 11. Vadim Keylin

- 12. Mads Middelboe Rehder
- 13. Vlada Botoric
- 14.Stephen Joyce