



April 11, 2008

Meeting on the establishment of the thematic network on Arctic Engineering and Science, UArctic.

On the 8th of May from 9-15

Place:

ARTEK, Building 204, 2nd. floor, Technical University of
Denmark, 2800 Lyngby, Denmark.

Agenda:

- 9.00-9.30 Welcome and short presentation of participants,
coffee, tea and bread will be served
[The participants presented themselves and their interests.](#)
- 9.30-11.00 Presentation of institutions participating in the
thematic network
- University of Oulu (Kari Laine)
 - Rovaniemi University of Applied Sciences (Tanja
Risikko)
 - Technical University of Denmark (Pernille Jensen)
 - Luleå University of Technology (Svend Knutsson)
[The institutions were presented. It was discussed and
concluded that many overlapping interests and potential
collaborations exist. It was discussed that the activities
within the network should be on research and education
NOT of organizational/administrative character, and
such that it will be a gain for us on our seen both from
the institutions AND the personal perspective to
participate in the network activities.](#)
- 11.00-11.30 Walking tour of ARTEK
- 11.30-12.30 Presentation and discussion of the draft Expression of
Interest (Svend Knutsson)
- 12.30-13.30 Lunch in the Faculty Club restaurant

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13.30-15.00 Discussion of the future of the thematic network, how do we get going?

Before the discussion, Kari Laine gave a short introduction to the thematic networks background and aim: Research, education and knowledge sharing. Generally the satisfaction with the draft expression of interest was high, however a few suggestions for changes/additions were mentioned. It was decided that such suggestions should be emailed to Sven before May 16. Amongst other things it was suggested to be more specific on the **goals**: some specific bullet points, and an intro that underlines that we are engaged with "enhancement/improvement of technological innovation/development in order to improve the quality etc...". Also in the **planned activities** to mention that we aim to start "research corporation and to gather research funding" + to make knowledge transfer seminars e.g. in connection with the planned international semester in Sisimiut 2009. It was suggested to develop a whole range of knowledge transfer seminars in the areas we are specialists in, and offer them as continuing education in the arctic region under the heading "society development". Taking e.g. 8/10 seminars could result in some kind of diploma.

What to do next:

- International semester in Sisimiut spring 2009 – bring in teachers from the network (money for hours and travels are available)
- Advertise that the network exists and interested institutions are welcome to join
- Exchange planned activities
- Establish web page
- Apply to Nordisk Ministerråd for funding e.g. Peripheral programme on network development and knowledge sharing
- Continuum of international semester
- Combine activities at international semester with development of workshops for further training of specialists/research fieldwork/writing of research proposals/knowledgesharing
- Next meeting either in Sisimiut august 2008 or Copenhagen September 2009

It was decided that everyone writes some lines: what activities would you like to do in the network. Send to Pernille pej@byg.dtu.dk within one month. Examples:

- Write 2-4 proposals a year on projects related to XX
- Hold an international conference every second year
- Establish 2-4 joint courses a year
- Apply for money for student/scientist exchange
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It was agreed upon that it should be visible for us how we gain value from the network.

Preparation:

Please bring some kind of presentation of your institution to the meeting. The presentations could include e.g. an introduction to your institutions:

- location
- organization
- activities
- areas of special interest
- human resources
- lab. and/or field work experience and resources
- prior experience and work within the frames of UArctic

Powerpoint projector and overhead projector will be available.

If your institution is not represented at the meeting, you could consider to send a small presentation of your institution to me, and we will go through it at the meeting.

Participants (buy now – it is still possible to register until a week before the meeting):

Kari Laine, Thule Institute, University of Oulu.

Sven Knutsson, Dept of Civil, Mining and Environmental Eng., Luleå University of Technology.

Tanja Risikko, Cold Climate Technology R&D, Rovaniemi University of Applied Sciences.

Taisto Arkko, School of Technology, Rovaniemi University of Applied Sciences.

Arne Villumsen, ARTEK, Technical University of Denmark.

Pernille E. Jensen, ARTEK, Technical University of Denmark.

Morten Holtegård Nielsen, ARTEK, Technical University of Denmark.

Thomas Ingeman-Nielsen, ARTEK, Technical Univeristy of Denmark.

How to get there:

Please visit:

[http://www.dtu.dk/English/About DTU/DTU%20Directory.aspx](http://www.dtu.dk/English/About_DTU/DTU%20Directory.aspx)

Where to stay (suggestions, only – in central Copenhagen):

[DGI-byen Hotel \(***\)](#) price 1175-1375 DKK

[Copenhagen Island](#) price from 995 DKK

[CAB-INN City](#) price from 545 DKK excl. breakfast (50 DKK). Booking can be made only by e-mail to city@cabinn.com, referring to the booking code 133661.

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Regarding check-in: *Check-in is between 3 and 6PM. Please be aware that the booking is not guaranteed. The booking will be cancelled at 6PM if you have not arrived. You can guarantee your booking by informing the hotel about your credit card details*

[Danhostel Copenhagen City](#) price 200 DKK

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