Dear fellow PhD candidates and PostDocs.

based on a <u>study on employment practices for PostDocs</u> conducted in four European countries (Belgium, Italy, Switzerland, Netherlands), Forskerforbundet magazine "Forskerforum" had asked us to share our point of view regarding the employment situation of temporary staff in academia (aka PostDocs) in Norway.

Arsenii (President of UiODoc) and Stefanie (Secretary of UiODoc) took part in an interview with Forskerforum in early March. Read the full article online (in Nynorsk).

On March 14th, we conducted the first **Kappe workshop** in cooperation with *Akademiske Skrivesenter*. It was well received (60 registered, max. 30 seats) and the attendees were in general quite satisfied with the content and presentation of the course. We are planning to **repeat** the workshop **in the near future**.

Thanks to everybody who showed up at our screening of "**Dr. Strangelove**" on April 3rd. Only 16 had signed up before the event but more than 45 actually showed up! We hope you had as much fun as we had and are looking forward to coming **movie night events in the future**.

Winter is almost over and we are closing in to the **UiODoc's Annual General Assembly** (AGM) which will take place on **May 16th** (you should have received the invitation via email earlier this week).

For the legislation periode 2019 - 2020, we are looking for suitable candidates that like to join us in the UiODoc Executive Committee and are eager to contribute to our common goal:

"Make life better and easier for temporary employees at UiO."

God påske and stay tuned!

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#### PhD and PostDoc breakfast club (PPBC)

In cooperation with UiO library and MatNat faculty, we are organizing the popular PhD and PostDoc Breakfast Club. This series of talks will continue right after Easter on **April 25th** (08.30 h at HumSam biblioteket) with "**DOs and DON'Ts on Google Scholar**".

The goal of this seminar is to give PhD students some tools in order to use Google Scholar in a proficient way.

Our speakers:

Ingerid Straume (PhD & Manager of Academic Writing Center)

Pål Lykkja (Subject specialist for special needs education and economics)

Anne Sæbø (PhD & Subject specialist for Nordic Languages, media and communication)

### Free breakfast upon registration.

Visit https://foreninger.uio.no/uiodoc/ for latest updates on registration.

For all future PBC arrangements please visit:

https://foreninger.uio.no/uiodoc/events/PBC/

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#### **UiODoc Annual General Assembly 2019**

Date and time: May 16th, 16.15-18.00 h

Place: Lucy Smiths hus (Hannah Ryggen-rommet, 10th floor).

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At the AGM, we, the UiODoc's executive committee, will **introduce UiODoc** in more detail, **report** on our **activities** in 2018, and present plans for **future activities**.

Follow the links to have look at the proposed agenda for the AGM and the annual report.

There will be plenty of room for **discussion** about YOUR concerns and possible improvements in working conditions during the official part of the AGM but also in the informal gathering afterwards ("**tapas and socialising**").

In order for us to supply an appropriate amount of food and drinks:

Please register until May 9th!

https://skjema.uio.no/115458

We do also welcome more spontaneous participation, as we know time for temporary academic staffs can be hard to schedule.

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### **Upcoming events in 2019:**

- April 25th, 08.30-10.00 h
  PPBC DOs and DON'Ts on Google Scholar
  Place: HumSam biblioteket
  (free breakfast upon registration)
- May 16th, 16.15 h
  UiODoc Annual General Assembly 2019
  Place: Lucy Smiths hus (Hannah Ryggen-rommet, 10th floor)
  (socialising and tapas please sign up)
- May 23rd, 08.30-10.00 h
  PPBC Self-assessment
  Place: HumSam biblioteket
  (free breakfast not open for sign-up yet)

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# Spread the word!

### UiODoc:

For latest news regarding our activities, please check-out our website:

-> <a href="https://foreninger.uio.no/uiodoc/">https://foreninger.uio.no/uiodoc/</a>

Or our **facebook** page

-> https://www.facebook.com/uiodoc

# Information from MatNat faculty (open to all PhD candidates and PostDocs):

- -> PhD/Postdoc events: <u>www.mn.uio.no/phdevents</u>
- -> PhD/Postdoc message board: <a href="https://www.mn.uio.no/english/research/phd/messages/">https://www.mn.uio.no/english/research/phd/messages/</a>

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Kind Regards, UiODoc

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