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SIPRI SENIOR MANAGEMENT TEAM MEETING

Solna, 27 September 2016

MINUTES

Participants

Sibylle Bauer, Stephanie Blenckner, Jakob Hallgren, Maria Kaemmerlé, Neil Melvin, Dan Smith.

1. Minutes approval

The minutes of the 20 September meeting were approved without changes.

2. Matters arising from the Minutes, not otherwise on the agenda

- It was decided to offer migration expert Martin Baldwin-Edwards a position as associate researcher, in view of an upcoming EU H2020 application.
- SIPRI is likely to stay in the EU Non Proliferation Consortium and to participate in a bid for a third phase, 2017 – 2019.
- Work on the new SIPRI performance assessment framework is ongoing.

3. Report back

- SIPRI's input to the Swedish government advisory Commission on disarmament and international law was discussed, notably the issue of whether Sweden should support the process towards a ban on nuclear weapons.
- SIPRI has increasing difficulties in getting official endorsement for public events in China.
- Photos are taken of all staff for the new staff directory on the website.
- Q3 financial results, and a budget simulation tool, are underway.
- Sibylle will participate in an event on women in compliance and as an expert to a German government consultation process on arms export control.
- Neil will participate in a GMF event in Moldova.
- It was decided that SIPRI will not participate in the 'Astana Peace Summit'.

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4. Staffing and Project Issues

- The terms of Ian Davis's consultancy (Nov 2016 – June 2017) as Executive Yearbook Editor were discussed.

5. SMT procedures

- SMT will henceforth meet on Tuesdays at 13,00 – 15,00. The SMT will also arrange a half day retreat during the fall.

6. Meeting with the Swedish State Secretary in the MFA 29 September

- A discussion was held on how best marry the MFA offer of programme funds with SIPRI's interests, both regarding research and administration.

7. Clusters' researchers

- A draft list of which researchers belong to what clusters was considered in view of the upcoming first cluster meetings with the newly appointed Directors of Studies.

8. Secure Cities follow-up

- The issue was postponed to a later meeting.

9. Statutes

- The suggested changes are now agreed and ready to be communicated to the MFA, for their further formal processing.

10. Next meeting, time and agenda

- The next SMT will be held on 11 October, the agenda will be elaborated later.

11. Any other business

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12. Items carried forward for future agenda

- Collaboration with the Uppsala Conflict and Data Programme (UCDP).
- Secure Cities follow-up