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SIPRI SENIOR MANAGEMENT MEETING

Solna, 24 October 2017

MINUTES

Participants

Stephanie Blenckner, Sibylle Bauer, Jakob Hallgren, Maria Kaemmerlé and Gary Milante (first 45 minutes).

1. Minutes approval

- Minutes of the 17 October meeting were approved without changes.

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

- Planning for the Performance and Development talks and the status regarding the job descriptions for Outreach and operations was discussed.

3. Report back

- The launch of new Peace Support Operations data is scheduled for 28 May 2018.
- Sessions at the 2018 Peace and Development Forum are being finalized and SIPRI provides 5 or 6 sessions from in-house resources.
- Dates for the 2018 Peace and Development Forum are unfortunately not yet set, as it depends on a UN Conference on Sustaining Peace whose dates are not yet confirmed.
- A contact with the Cultural Attaché of the Swedish Embassy in Pretoria has led to that the 2018 Forum will include a session on Arts, Peace and Security.
- MFA Directors from 8 Nordic and Baltic States will visit SIPRI on 8 February.

4. Staffing and Projects

- Petr Topychkanov has been recruited as Senior Researcher to the Disarmament and Non-Proliferation Programme.
- Only one of two planned recruitments as Research Editors has been filled. The search continues for a second Research Editor.
- Christina Ekberg has been employed as Office Assistant.

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- The recruitment process for a Personal Assistant to the Director is ongoing.

4. Programme grant proposal for 2017 – 2019 to the Swedish MFA

- A draft proposal called 'A SIPRI multiyear Programme of Work on 'Peace and Development', 'Climate Change and Risk' and 'Mediation, Security Mapping, Dialogue and Disarmament' 2017 – 2019' to the Swedish MFA was discussed and fine-tuned in view of submission the following day.

5. Applications to the Wallenberg Foundations in 2018

- An ambition to submit 2 – 4 applications to the 'Marcus and Marianne Wallenberg Foundation' from across the Clusters in late March 2018 was agreed.
- Cluster half away days will be organized in January to discuss research ideas to be taken forward for this purpose.

6. AOB

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7. Items carried forward for future agenda

- Update on the status of the 12 – 13 December EU Non-Proliferation and Disarmament Consortium Conference.
- The draft 2018 Institute Budget
- Training of SIPRI Line Managers, including on values.
- Re-Assessment of the SIPRI Publications Programme.