

Monday morning meeting

28 October 2024

Notes

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New staff

Florian Erdle, intern with MILAP (Florian started last month but is now in Solna)

Outreach

- CONGRATULATIONS to Barbara, the event colleagues and the Director's Office for a very successful SSC – even if we had to work far too much on the basic back end to make it look professional. Participants were impressed and happy which is key of course!
- Outreach is out for travel / vacation this week but will keep pre-committed work running. Contact Joey or Steph if anything urgent is happening.

Operations

Facilities:

IngMarie is on vacation this week. The cleaning lady Raziye will put incoming mail on the cart outside IngMarie's room.

Human Resources:

- First, a massive thank you to all who took the time to participate in the employee survey. We achieved an incredible 99% response rate, which is truly fantastic! As the HR department promised a prize to the cluster/department with the highest response rate, they'll be placing candies on the different floors, as really all teams were winners.
- So, what happens next? Zondera will be working with the results, and both management and HR will receive a presentation from them. On 11 December, the entire staff will get a presentation as well. You should have received an invitation in your calendars, so if you haven't, please reach out to HR. To work on the results on cluster/department level, HR has/will schedule meetings with each cluster/department to go through the findings and identify areas for improvement.

Arment and Disarmament

- Tytti is travelling to Cairo for the Nuclear and Security Forum, put on by the Arab Institute for Security Studies.
- DUAT colleagues finalized two publications last week – the final report of Kolja and Lauriane's project on export controls and the NewSpace sector and a report connected to their work on export controls among states in the Middle East – and in both cases they want to thank Comms and Editorial for all their great work and patience!

Conflict Peace and Security

- Last week, Jair was in New York:
 - On Monday he presented on MONUSCO to the current and incoming Security Council members as input for mandate renewal.
 - On Wednesday he presented to the UN Secretariat on trends and developments in peace operations, partly based on SIPRI data, with an audience of 8 in the room, but 60 or 160 online (they were debating that, so it is not clear). In any case, they saw it as a great success and wanted to make it an annual occurrence.

- This week Jair will be in Berlin, where today he will have meetings at the MFA, MoD and FES.
- On Wednesday, Barbara will be speaking at the Royal Swedish Academy of War Sciences' Nuclear symposium, covering ideas about a French-based Euro-deterrant or a Franco-German bomb.

Peace and Development

- Caroline and Steph will be in Colombia this week for the UN Biodiversity Conference (COP16), participating in a panel SIPRI organized together with FES Colombia and SIANI.
- The SIPRI Insights 'Unveiling Challenges and Gaps in Climate Finance in Conflict', written by Abeer and our former colleague Karen, will go out this week.
- Abeer will attend an online event on Health Diplomacy in War and International Conflict hosted by the Health Diplomacy Alliance.