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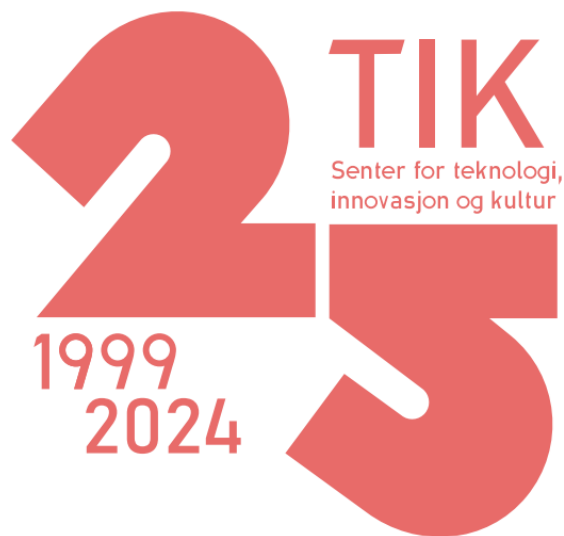
# TIK Centre for Technology, Innovation and Culture

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Staff Meeting  
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**Bachelortillegg**

## Innovasjonssertifikatet

Forstå hvordan  
innovasjon  
påvirker samfunnet  
og bruk dine  
kreative, kritiske  
og analytiske  
sider sammen  
med andre.



# Velkommen!

# Today's agenda:

- Welcome, celebration and cake
  - Our work environment
  - Collective activities this term: overview
  - Our teaching (assisted by the faculty)
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- Timeframe 13.15-15.30

# Achievements to celebrate: Three new theses submitted

- Bård Hobæk:

***Efficient fish. Controversies and problematizations of feed in Norwegian salmon farming, 1970-2000***

- Kjersti Aalbu:

***Data politics in the governance of greenhouse gas emissions from international shipping***

- Erlend Osland Simensen:

***Innovation In and Across Sectors in a Resource-Based Economy***

# Welcome - to new staff, in new functions and guests

Jørgen Finstad, Knut-Jørgen Vie, Martin Refseth – welcome back after parental leave!

## ... new staff, new functions and guests

- **Diana Morales**, Post Doctor with Intransit (Taran)
- **Anna-Katherina Laboissiere**, Researcher with Fungateria (Ana),  
from 1 October
- **Liliana Doganova**, guest researcher with Value Threads (Kristin),  
August-September

Welcome to TIK!

## ... new staff, in new functions and guests

- Ana Delgado, Head of STS Research Group, assisted by Rakesh Paul
- Ana joins the TIK-leader group together with Kristin (director), Taran (who is also leading the innovation group assisted by Amir, and Inger-Johanne (head of administration).
- Tone Druglitrø, Head of TIK Phd-program, assisted by Lara Kristiansen, Tone is also elected to head the board of the Science Studies Colloquium Series/Forum for vitenskapsteori (20% position).

We are also here to celebrate

... that this week, the faculty decided to offer Tone Druglitrø, the announced permanent position as associate professor in STS, at TIK

**CONGRATULATIONS!**



We celebrate our achievements  
But how do we get there?  
Our academic and social working environment

# LET'S TALK ABOUT IT!

- What is your most important goal for this term? What do you plan to achieve?
- What will be your strategy to handle your workload to achieve your goals in a good way?
- Introduce (1) your goal and (2) discuss your strategies for handling your workload this semester - with your neighbour
- (you might consider writing it down on a post-it note and look at it again at our staff meeting in December:)

# Working environment, some follow-up measures (after Lysebu)

- Most importantly: what we have learned from the work-environment survey: TIK has a good working environment
- Important to sustain this and improve
- Bi-weekly newsletter from Centre director to secure flow of information (here you will need to come with input! Where you are giving talks, seminars you attend, new babies etc. etc!)
- Low key and regular social activities
  - Book launches, lottery, pay day outing will continue
  - Suggest something you will take responsibility for!
- Teaching and planning to ease work-load:
  - Centre director will meet phd's and postdoctors to inform and discuss about teaching planning and needs

# TIK25 in 2024: Key shared events

TIK nominated prof. Marion Fourcade to honorary doctor at UiO

2 September:

Professor Marion Fourcade, University of Berkeley is created Doctor Honoris Causa at the University of Oslo

3 September:

**10.00-12.30 Workshop with Professor Fourcade: *Valuations, economy and the digital***

**14.15-15.30 Lecture by Professor Fourcade: *Political economy of the digital society***

5 September:

**14.00-15.30 Book presentation Liliana Doganova "Discounting the Future: The Ascendancy of a Political Technology", commented by prof. Einar Lie (dept. of history)**

22 October:

- TIK is organizing this year's Eilert Sundt Lecture 2024  
**Professor Timothy Mitchell, Columbia University**

Consult [Events - TIK Centre for Technology, Innovation and Culture](#) for updates!

# Key shared events

- A busy autumn for midway and final seminars for our phd-candidates:
  - 27 August PhD midway seminar: Tanja Knaus
  - 18 October PhD midway seminar: Silje Svartefoss
  - October PhD final seminar: Gro Stueland Skorpen
  - November/December PhD final seminar: Lisa Scordato
  - December PhD midway seminar: Chantale Tippett
  - And there might be more ..

# Key shared events:

- 4 December Celebration seminar and party
- 18 December Pre-Christmas lunch

# Teaching: New initiatives, Evaluation, Improving and Learning

(1) The Innovation Certificate

(2) Learning to teach at a bachelor level

Invited guests:

Professor Jemima Garcia-Godos Naveda, Department of Sociology and Human Geography

Senior Advisor Siri Aamodt, EILIN, Faculty of Social Sciences

(3) Discussing our master program which has just been evaluated

Handing over the word to Markus Bugge, coordinator of the Master's program and the intro-course for the innovation certificate

# **The innovation certificate**

## TIK2000 Innovation and society



# Course structure

- Lectures, seminars, visits and group work
  - Week 1: Lecture and seminar
  - Week 2: Visit and group work
- Readings: Introductory textbook, scientific articles, videos and podcasts
- Exam: Portfolio exam
  - A number of written individual assignments
  - Group-based oral presentation of a selected case

# Lectures

1. Introduction and setting the stage / Markus M. Bugge
2. What is innovation? / Magnus Gulbrandsen
3. Who are the innovators? / Markus M. Bugge
4. How does innovation unfold in practice? / Taran Thune
5. What are the effects of innovation? / Fulvio Castellacci
6. Can innovation solve grand challenges? / Markus M. Bugge

# Seminars and external visits

Seminars led by Frøydis Eidset and Gabriel Harzer (MA students)

- Frøydis / [freidiseids@hotmail.com](mailto:freidiseids@hotmail.com)
- Gabriel / [chrisoph@student.sv.uio.no](mailto:chrisoph@student.sv.uio.no)

## Visits

1. How to increase sustainability in the creative industries. Visit to the green start-up **Green Producers Club** / Eli Sandmo Brenna
2. How the municipality of Lillestrøm is building an innovation district. Visit to **the municipality of Lillestrøm** / Jonas Vårum Olafsen
3. How can students make a difference? Visit to the **Ignite lab** at campus / Rokas Naudzionas
4. Innovation in online media. Visit to **Schibsted** / Anders Grimstad
5. Innovation in public transport / Visit to **Ruter**
6. How can the circular economy be developed? Visit to **Nydalen Fabrikker** / Anne Dubrau

# Group work

- Students will be divided in groups at an early stage and will work on selected cases throughout the semester
- The group work will be presented at a final gathering at the end of term to class and the lecturers
- The students are expected to apply innovation theory onto their respective cases



# Periodic program evaluation TIK master programs 2024

Linnea Aslaksen, The Factory

Teis Hansen, University of Copenhagen, administrator of the committee

Thea Bru, Akershus Fylkeskommune

Tomas Moe Skjølsvold, NTNU

# Mandate

## Standardized mandate

- The learning objectives of the two master programs, TIK and ESST
- Coherence of the master programs
- The TIK centre's resources and infrastructure
- Student recruitment and results
- Conclusion/recommended measures

## Tailor-made mandate

- Work life relevance
- Interdisciplinarity
- Academic quality

# Data collection / basis

- Interviews
- Documents
  - The program management's self-assessment of the program
  - The annual program review of the study programs
  - Course evaluations
  - Studiebarometeret
  - Relevant statistics about the study program
  - The program websites

# Key recommendations

1. Formalize and professionalize administrative procedures (course evaluations, student feedback, teacher meetings, formalize course coordinator role)
2. Teaching activities
  - Strive at balance between senior and early career researchers
  - Ensure stronger cohesion in courses
  - Revise methods course / design seminar / specialization (15+15 ECTS)
  - Improve semester planning
  - Reconsider exam formats / AI
3. Work life relevance
  - Research and document career paths / employability



# Key recommendations cont.

## 3. Work life relevance

- Invite alumni to speak about careers
- Strengthen the alumni network
  - Invite to annual events
  - Set up alumni group on LinkedIn

## 4. Student recruitment

- Consider broadening admission criteria beyond humsam

## 5. Academic and social environment

- Strengthen teaching and pedagogy as collective task
- Enhance student – faculty interaction

# The way forward

**Formalize and professionalize administrative procedures** / Have started but should focus more on upfront semester planning, updating learning outcomes and systematic evaluations (joint evaluation template in place)

## Teaching activities

- Strive at balance between senior and early career researchers
- Ensure stronger cohesion in courses / Seminar leaders + lecture descriptions
- Revise methods course / design seminar / specialization (15+15 ECTS)
- Reconsider exam formats / AI / Replace written individual essay with oral hearing and portfolio reviews
- Explore more bridge-building educational activities across STS and innovation

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## Student recruitment

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## Academic and social environment

- Strengthen teaching and pedagogy as collective task / (More) regular teacher meetings / collective supervision
- Enhance student – faculty interaction