On 17 May we had our annual meeting with the DNRF with great participation and presented our highlights of 2020 along with interesting discussions. Afterwards we celebrated with a dinner-meeting at LeLac Restaurant.

UCPH is slowly opening! Here’s the plan for returning to the workplace:

**TIMELINE**

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When on campus, you must be able to present a negative Covid-19 test (max. 72 hours old) or a Corona-pass of your vaccination. Checks will be made. Read more and find campus test-centres here.

Work-travel abroad is subject to approval by a faculty director and head of administration at NBI prior to departure.

The HCØ Canteen behind NBB is again open for food and to-go beverages between 08:00-14:00.
**UPCOMING EVENTS**

- **Holiday/Whit days:** Sunday and Monday 23 + 24 May
  
- **“Exploring the Universe Without Costing the Earth”**
  Dr Natasha Hurley-Walker (Curtin University)
  27 May 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM AEST

- **Webinar: Where the Earth Meets the Sky:** 27-28 May
  Deadline has passed for sign-up.

- **The Annual Danish Astronomy Meeting, organized by the Instrument Center for Danish Astrophysics (IDA):** 3 - 4 June
  Deadline has passed. [Info and program via this link](#)

- **SURF@DAWN:** 19 June – 04 September (DTU)

- **DAWN IRES Summer Program:** 07 June - 20 August 2021 (Virtual)

**OPPORTUNITIES & CALLS**

- **VILLUM Foundation:** Young Investigator ([link is here](#)) - deadline 09 June 2021

- **Independent Research Fund Denmark: Project 1/Female Researchers ([Inge Lehmann-program and link](#)):** 17 June 2021

- **Danish National Research Foundation – Centre’s of Excellence ([link is here](#))** - deadline 01 June 2021

- **EU Horizon Europe - ERC Advanced Grant 2021 (preliminary call ([link is here](#)) - deadline 31 August 2021

- **EU H2020 - Marie Curie Postdoctoral Fellowships (PF) ([link is here](#))** - deadline 15 September 2021

- **Science Marie-Sklodowska-Curie Master Class Seminar (Online) from 07 June - 11 June 2021.** [Link is here](#) and the deadline for sign-up is 24 May 2021

- **Horizon Europe - Marie Sklodowska-Curie Doctoral Networks (DN). Supports cross-European PhD networks.** [Link is here](#) and deadline is 16 November 2021
What is Whitsun? It is the Christian holiday of Pentecost - a moveable feast, which is celebrated on the 50th day from Easter Sunday. In Denmark, the Whit holidays are celebrated over two days: Whit Sunday – “Pinnedag” in Danish, is always on Sunday and Whit Monday – “2. Pinnedag”, which is the following Monday. Whit holidays commemorate the descent of the Holy Spirit upon the Apostles and other followers of Jesus Christ while they were in Jerusalem and made them able to understand and speak all languages during the Feast of Weeks celebration. This year, Whit Sunday and Whit Monday take place Sunday 23 May - Monday 24 May.

Danes say that on Whitsun, the sun is dancing. The traditional Danish celebration includes an early awakening to see the first sun light of the day. They sometimes go out at sun rise to have a walk in nature or to have a coffee (and the tough guys also have a Gammel Dansk) at places where the sun can be seen. Pinnedag is traditionally celebrated with a Danish smorgasbord and young people are known to celebrate until sunrise the next morning.

Copenhagen Carnival: Normally there are huge parades and carnivals in the larger cities around Denmark, to celebrate the Pentecost, however due to Covid-19 these are cancelled for this year.

Midsummer celebration in Denmark 🎵: While all of the Scandinavian and Baltic countries celebrate the summer solstice, the way and day in which each recognize this event varies. In Denmark, the solstice is tied to the feast of Saint John the Baptist, known in Denmark as Sankt Hans (“Hans” being the diminutive for Johannes, or John), who was supposedly born on June 24th. Because Danes like celebrating the eves of things that means 23 June is marked as the “Sankt Hans Aften”.

The bonfire tradition continues to this day. In the 1920’s, people began affixing a straw witch to the top of the fire as a way to remember the witch burning of the 16th and 17th centuries. You can find the bonfires and events with music around in Copenhagen, e.g. by the Lakes, in the Harbours, Nyhavn, in Frederiksberg Garden, Amager Beach and other beaches along the Danish coast line.