Hello!

Here comes the second Directors' letter from CIMED, which also summarizes the information meeting held on June 1.

During the month of May, Annika Bergquist and Research Coordinator Amanda Klein individually met with all infrastructures currently receiving CIMED appropriations. Each unit was asked to describe its activity and business model, what kind of contributions would most benefit the activity, and how the facility fosters clinical research at Campus Flemingsberg. We can conclude that all the infrastructures play an important role in the clinical and translational research at Campus Flemingsberg, but that many express a wish for greater exchange with clinical researchers. Appropriations from CIMED are currently used primarily to cover operating costs; only a small proportion are used to establish new infrastructure or invest in equipment. Following a discussion by the CIMED Board of Directors with input from the heads of department group, it was decided that CIMED will extend its support to infrastructures and coordinate the infrastructure support with the major KI/SLL call for proposals that is currently underway. In the future, CIMED's infrastructure support will focus on the establishment of new infrastructure and the provision of support in the form of project grants to users of these facilities.

At CIMED's board meeting on May 23, strategic recruitments were discussed with representatives from the heads of department group. In order to optimally create a transparent process, decisions on the allocation of strategic recruitments will take place in consultation with heads of department and the hospital's research managers.

Researchers' saved CIMED funds are continuously monitored, and we have noted the changes in the balances of the accounts. Once again, we would like to stress the importance of complying with the budgets you created.

To strengthen the focus on clinical research in Flemingsberg, CIMED has announced research months for clinicians who are active at Campus Flemingsberg. The call for applications will be open until June 13 via SLL's application portal:

<u>https://forskningsstod.vmi.se/Ansokan/start.asp</u> and the awarding of grants will be announced in October.

43 applications for collaborative grants for 2018 were received, and 29 new translational collaborative projects were each awarded 250,000 SEK. The purpose of this call for applications was to stimulate new collaborations in the translational spirit, in order to facilitate the next step of applying for CIMED project funding. An announcement of project funds that are available to everyone on Campus Flemingsberg will open in the spring of 2019. We have invited South Campus heads of department, research managers at KS R&D Director Jan Hillert to a meeting in October to discuss CIMED's new strategy and obtain feedback regarding future calls for applications.

CIMED's seminar day will be held on November 15 in Birkeaulan auditorium. Write the date in your calendar today! Information about signing up will be published in September.

Finally, we would like to take this opportunity to wish everyone a great summer! Best Regards,

Annika Bergquist Director CIMED Peter Lönnroth Chairman of the Board of Directors CIMED



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Save the date:

Welcome to CIMED:s seminar day November 15th in Birkeaulan!

Preliminary program, 9am - 4pm:

Before lunch:

 Presentations: Clinical research and CIMED-funded infrastructures at Campus Flemingsberg

After lunch:

- Work-shops discuss future CIMED grants
- · Poster session and mingle
- → Registration opens in September