

Directors' letter 20181220

Hello!

This is the last CIMED Directors' letter of the year.

During the past year CIMED have followed the balances of CIMED researchers' accounts. We are happy to find that the saved funds have dropped compared to previous years which is a good sign of high research activity.

On October 18<sup>th</sup> CIMED arranged a strategy meeting with the CIMED board, the heads of the departments (Campus Flemingsberg) and the hospital's heads of research. At the meeting the proposal for CIMED: s infrastructure grant was established. Moreover, the process for strategic recruitments and service for clinical research was discussed. At the meeting three working groups were appointed to produce a good process for CIMED support to strategic recruitments, infrastructure grants to infrastructures at KI and support to clinical research. At the meeting CIMED: s upcoming project call was also discussed.

On Tuesday December 18<sup>th</sup> CIMED arranged a meeting to inform researcher about the new reporting of CIMED funds and the new project call. CIMED has decided that reporting of research activity in the future will consist of:

1. Publication list
2. A short comment on the budget that is reported in the beginning of every year with a possible enquiry about prolonged disposition time.

The new call for project grants (*CIMED projektbidrag 2020-2022*) will open January 15<sup>th</sup> 2019 and close on March 8<sup>th</sup> at 16.00. Grants can be approved for up to three years and up to 2 MSEK per project and year. The call is for new and ongoing projects and both senior and junior researchers working at Campus Flemingsberg can apply. Collaboration between basic researchers and clinicians is a prerequisite. The application is done through the [Stockholm Count Council web site](#) and a more detailed description of the call can be found at [CIMED:s web page](#) as well as at the SLL web site from January 15<sup>th</sup> 2019. Heads of departments and the hospital's heads of research have been given the opportunity to suggest reviewers for the call.

At the meeting on December 18<sup>th</sup> several interesting and relevant questions were asked and have been summarized under a Q&A document at CIMED: s web page that will be updated soon.

Thank you for this year and we wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a happy New Year!

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