

## Agenda

1. Consultation: potential renaming of courses and a specialization in Digital Innovation and Management/Baki Cakici  
(please click [here](#) for an overview of courses and specialisations)
2. File sharing options for the panel/Kirsten supported by Anna
3. Briefing about the timeline for institutional accreditation/Anna
4. The panel begins its work on the annual panel report for 2021  
(Attachment: last year's template – please note that data and key numbers do not apply to the programme in 2020)

### **1. Consultation: potential renaming of courses and a specialization in Digital Innovation and Management**

Kirsten Nielsen (chair) welcomed the panel and Joacim Jeppesen, new member to the panel. After a brief round of presentation, Head of Digital Innovation and Management, Baki Cakici, introduced thoughts on renaming the specialization in public sector digitalization. Baki explained that the panel is heard as part of a wider consultation process at the university and that the issues with the specialisation are not with the content, but rather with the name. Particularly the second course in the specialisation - 'Digitalisation and Public Sector Transformation' causes students to rename it as simply public digitalization.

Students taking the specialization have been consulted and to the 'the Digital State' is the draw and the name most aptly describing what they do in the specialization.

The teachers of the specialization have proposed to rename the specialization 'The Digital State' and the courses 'Introduction to the Digital State' and 'The Digital State in Practice'.

The panel was asked to give their opinion as they are ones looking at CVs and exam transcripts.

The panel asked if this was also part of an effort to attract more students to the specialization. Baki replied that the renaming is mainly about ensuring that the name of the specialization is accurate. The specialization in Big Data is largest specialization and has been for some years, but with a more heterogenous intake ( due to new admission criteria), the programme expects students to diversify their specialisations more.

Some members of the panel remarked that they would be able to see through either name as employers, while others pointed out that the public sector, which is the central part, is much more than the state and that for example employers from municipalities would not recognize themselves in the proposed name. 'The public sector is much more present in public digitalisation'.

Joacim Jeppesen (Valtech) pointed out that from a resume standpoint 'the state' is never used in English as opposed to 'government' or indeed 'the public sector', perhaps making the proposed name less recognizable in general.

Baki thanked the panel for the feedback. 'this is the perspective we need. Students are always concerned with what happens when resumes are being scanned.'

## **2. File sharing options for the panel**

Kirsten informed the panel will have to that MS Teams as a shared platform as this is the only means approved by the IT University. A test team has been set up for filesharing purposes, where the panel can share and access documents for collaboration rather than sending them back and forth through email. There are some initial access challenges and Kirsten will return on this at a later point.

## **3. Briefing about the timeline for institutional accreditation**

Anna Elizabeth Thomsen ( Programme Coordinator) shared a rough timeline of the accreditation process.

The institutional accreditation is focused on ITU's quality assurance system and how it is followed in practice. The panel already contributes to this through its continuous work.

## **4.The panel begins its work on the annual panel report for 2021**

Steffen Dalsgaard (Head of Global Business Informatics) briefed the panel on potential changes to the key numbers and data for his programme. Due to the much larger intake on Global Business Informatics, the average GPA for entering the programme is somewhat lower. But as the exams have not begun yet it is impossible to say how and if the increased intake might affect the quality in students. Other statistics such as graduate delay and completion time are expected to be stable.

Lene Pries-Heje (Head of Department) commented that the increased intake on Global Business Informatic is caused by a government response to COVID-19 and that this particular programme was chosen because the high number of qualified applicants and previous response from the panel that it could make sense to increase the number of graduates in this area. The IT University will continue with the increased intake for the 2021 admissions.

Baki commented that Digital Innovation and Management also has its first intake of students upon changing admission criteria and that remains to be seen how they will fare and far they will come now they do not necessarily enter with programming experience.

The panel discussed how to initiate work on the annual report. The panel decided that they would like to structure their individual input by answering questions relating to the different sections of the report in survey. To maintain a discussion at the January meeting, the survey responses will be used as a basis for further debate and work on the report.

The input will be collected before the meeting in January.

## **5. Any Other Business**

Steffen announced that he will stop as Head of Programme by the end of December to take on other responsibilities, among other things as a deputy Head of Department to Lene Pries-Heje. Assistant

Professor Oliver Krancher will be the new Head of Programme for Global Business Informatics. Steffen thanked the panel for the collaboration.