KTH has embarked on an intensive program of analysis, which is likely to lead to changes that many of us will experience. A radical restructuring of the administration has already started in the spring and work will intensify during the autumn term. Two additional very important reviews will soon start a review of *anställningsordning* (employment regulations, including promotion processes), and a review of internal funding (FoFU and GRU). Additionally, at the School level, we have decided to review the management structure at Department-level.

These activities will influence and shape our future work environment, conditions, and how we use premises. I encourage you all to keep yourself informed and to get involved. Active participation is essential for an efficient transition to possibly new routines and processes. We will use all available School channels* to spread information so that everyone has the opportunity to participate and give feedback.

*There are many! e.g. this newsletter, skolkollegiet, APT meetings at your Department, faculty breakfast meetings, and School and Department management meetings. The KTH internal web pages also provide useful information.

_Sandra Di Rocco_
_Professor_
_Dean of the Faculty of Engineering Sciences_
"Nuclear power is now being taken seriously as a sustainable energy option"

KTH Innovation Award 2022 is received by Professor Janne Wallenius, a researcher at KTH and an entrepreneur in the company Blykalla/Leadcold. He has been driving the development of small lead-cooled nuclear reactors, known as SMRs or Small Modular Reactors, since 2013.

“I am honoured to receive KTH Innovation Award, an award to encourage creativity, grit and courage in the mission of making science and technology useful for humanity. One of the lessons from developing the SMR technology is to never give up,” says Professor of Nuclear Engineering Janne Wallenius, who has been researching design and safety analysis of lead-cooled reactor systems since 1996.
Josefin and talked about the promotion, as well as her career.

[Read interview]

"Teacher of the Year" in the Vehicle Engineering programme

Per Wennhage was selected for the Teacher of the Year by the student section (Flygsektionen) of the Vehicle Engineering programme!

"It is an award that means a lot to me since it was awarded by the students who I meet in my everyday work. Must mean I'm doing something right in my student activities and it is a great encouragement for me to continue to develop as a teacher " says Per Wennhage who is receiving this award for the first time.

The procedure for the Teacher of the Year award in the programme is that any teacher can be nominated with proper justification by the students and the decision is made through a vote on a student meeting.

Events
CET2022 Converging Energy Technologies

KTH successfully co-organized the annual CET conference - Converging Energy Technologies. This year’s CET2022 focus was on Small Modular Reactors (SMRs), and experts from all over the world were invited to give their input on the importance of integrating nuclear energy into the present and future energy mix in order to reduce our greenhouse emissions and meet the EU sustainability goals.

During the conference participants had the chance to visit the Äspö Hard Rock Laboratory where research word was developed in order to build a permanent underground repository for spent nuclear fuel. Additionally, participants visited OKG and nuclear power plant facilities of Oskarshamn.

The entire conference was recorded and is available to the public.

Watch the conference

The 2022 Nobel Prize in Physics

The Nobel Committee will host a Zoom Colloquium.

When: Tuesday, Oct. 4, 2022, 15:15 CET
Where: zoom link

The Nobel Prize
Workshops & Seminars

KTH Transformation Day 2022 - The food industry transformation

At least a quarter of all greenhouse gas emissions come from the food sector. Therefore, a thorough adjustment of production, processing and consumption of the food we eat is needed. Food companies and the public sector have a great need for knowledge and innovation to cope with the transition. KTH Transformation Day 2022 will highlight the research at KTH that is already underway on the food industry's transformation, inspire more researchers to apply their own research to the food industry, and highlight examples from the sector.

When: 11 October at 9:00-15.15
Where: KTH Campus, Teknikringen 1, Arenan and Torget

Online Seminar on “Metallic Additive Manufacturing: excitement and barriers”

“Metallic Additive Manufacturing: excitement and barriers”, Rocco Lupoi - Associate Professor, Mechanical, Manuf & Biomedical Eng. University of Dublin

When: 9 December at 12.15-13.00
Where: Online seminar (read more in the link below)

Read more

KTH’s collegial forum: Is there room for everyone’s talent?

The Faculty Council welcomes KTH’s researchers and teachers to KTH’s collegial forum.

Recognitions and rewarding researchers and teachers are topics with great impact on the quality of a university as well as something that usually gets high attention due to the importance on an individual level. In this collegial forum, we will meet Professor Rianne Letschert who has a major role in further developing the Dutch model for recognizing and rewarding researchers and teachers in academia.

Read more
**Workshop on Gender-Based Violence for doctoral students**

KTH and Chalmers are inviting all doctoral students at both universities to a digital workshop about Sweden's national study on sexual harassment in academia with a focus on the study results for doctoral students as a group. The study results show that doctoral students are more exposed to sexual harassment than other groups at universities in Sweden.

The report for the national study on sexual harassment in academia can be found [here](#) and will be completely translated into English in the coming weeks. *(A summary of the study in English is already available at the above link).*

The workshop will include a presentation of the national study results as well as a presentation of the specific results for KTH’s and Chalmers’ doctoral students. We’ll also have group discussions in breakout rooms.

We hope you'll participate in the workshop!

**Apply:** In order to receive the link to register for the workshop, which will also include more details on the workshop, please email KTH Equality Office at equalityoffice@kth.se.

Welcome!

**When:** Nov 7th, 2022 13:00-16:00  
**Where:** Zoom
Films on gender equality

These films about gender and gender equality have been produced by researchers at KTH within the framework of KTH's work to integrate knowledge about gender equality, diversity and equal conditions in education. The purpose of the series is to disseminate knowledge from gender research in various subject areas that are relevant to KTH's students, doctoral students and teachers.

Watch here

News

Calls, Scholarship Applications & Studies

2022 Call for Collaborative Research Proposals (To apply see link)

Digitalization Platform calls 2022 (To apply see link)

Call for proposals to promote industrial transformation initiatives 2022 (To apply see link)

Call: Collaboration within Energy Research 2022 (To apply see link)

Research grants for research internships at the National Institute of Informatics in Tokyo (To apply see link)
Scholarship announcements 2022 (To apply see link)

Apply for a grant from KTH Opportunities Fund (To apply see link)

Minor Field Studies - field studies in low- or middle-income countries (To apply see link)

Get ready for exam period 1 (Read more here)

SCI Associations

Female faculty network Q-SCI

The Q-SCI network is planning for an autumn meeting based on the report “Gender-based violence and sexual harassment in the Swedish higher education sector” that was published this summer (read survey here). So keep an eye out for the invitation! If you want to know more about it, the report is also discussed in the Vice Presidents’ blog: Gender-based vulnerability in academia and at KTH – Vice Presidents’ blog.

Please also make sure to recommend new colleagues to sign up for our emails! Easiest is to write to q-koordinator@sci.kth.se. Suggestions for topics of seminars, work-shops and other activities are always welcome!

Q-SCI Intranet page

SCI PhD Student Council

Dear Ph.D. students of SCI,

Are you aware of the updates that are posted on our intranet page? Here, we share information on how to join our council meetings, summaries of our discussions, and maybe most importantly, answers to frequently asked questions. These might be exactly what you are looking for and help you tackle problems that you are facing.

The council is hard at work planning more events in the fall, so look out for
announcements in your email inbox! Also, yearly council elections are approaching. If you are curious about what the council does and think you might want to participate, the best thing is to drop us a line at sci-council@dr.kth.se or come to our next meeting on October 31st (location TBA – keep an eye on the council calendar).

Your opinion matters. Let's cooperate for an improved Ph.D. student life at KTH!

SCI PhD Student Council

We Congratulate

Josefin Larsson has been promoted to professor of physics with specialisation in experimental astroparticle physics, September 2022.

Carlota Canalias has been appointed as the new department head for Applied Physics, October 2022.

Per Wennhage who was awarded the “Teacher of the Year” on the 5-year Vehicle Engineering Programme (Farkostteknik).

Fredrik Lundell who was awarded the “Teacher of the Year” on the 5-year Built Environment Programme (Samhällsbyggnad).

Antonio Lerario (SISSA) has been appointed as guest professor in mathematics. October 2022 - September 2023.

Recent Licentiate Degrees

Linda Eliasson (Physics) Towards nanodosimetry: therapeutic radiation measurements using the variance method.

Recent Doctoral Graduates

Harsha Cheemakurthy (Vehicle and Maritime Engineering) Framework for holistic design of ferries focusing on lightweight ice going hulls.
Meng Zhang (Vehicle and Maritime Engineering) Efficient hull design for ice conditions in inland waterways.

Erik Jungstedt (Solid Mechanics) Deformation and Fracture Behavior of Transparent Wood-Polymer Biocomposites.


Yuchuan Fan (Physics) Optical Performance Monitoring in Digital Coherent Communications: Intelligent Error Vector Magnitude Estimation.


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