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Re: Annual report 2012 for CORA – Centre for Public Regulation and Administration

In accordance with the guidelines established for the research centres of the faculty the annual report 2012 on the activities of the centre is hereby submitted.

CORA aims to focus on the development of the fundamental values and principles of law, which takes place under the influence of societal Europeanisation and globalisation and manifests itself in the ongoing public regulation of specific areas of life and in the administration of the same.

Please note that the centre was established 1 September 2010, continuing the former Research Group on Administrative Law. Accordingly, the centre has been active for two and a half years. In accordance with the guidelines for the centres, CORA has been approved for a period of five years after which a possible extension of the centre activities will be considered.

Staff information

By the end of 2012, the total staff consisted of 22 employees including 10 professors, 2 associate professors, 2 assistant professors, 6 PhD students and 2 Master's programme students. In relation to the existing categories of membership guidelines for the establishment and closing of centres the staff consists of 16 members, 4 attached members of staff, and 2 project assistants.

In the period until the end of 2012 one fellow has resigned (Danielle Spiegel, who changed centre and later resigned from her position). Professor Peter Mortensen (ex Property Law Research Group) is a new member of the
centre. As of 1 December new members also include PhD student, MSc Political Science and IT engineer Ulla Lund (business scholarship from the Danish Business Authority and Technical University of Denmark, DTU). With effect from the beginning of the year 2012/13 Sophia Tarrow is also a member of CILJ, but is still linked to CORA as an attached member. Furthermore, PhD Lin Adrian is appointed to assistant professor.

Members of the centre on 31 December 2012 include (16) persons; Lin Adrian, Trine Baumbach, Peter Blume, Niels Fenger, Carsten Henrichsen, Ulla Lund, Peter Mortensen, Beatriz Martinez Romera, Justry Lumumba Nyabery, Peter Pagh, Anita Rønne, Steen Rønsholdt, Henrik Stevnsborg, Eirini Tsifopoulou, Trine Vendius and Vibeke Vindeløv. – Attached members of staff include the following persons; Michael Gøtze, Morten Heiberg, Sophia Tarrow and Steen Treumer.

Furthermore, two project assistants are attached to the centre; (Mieke Line Bjerring and Asger Tue Aaskilde Laursen), and the centre has a new research secretary (Heidi Pedersen).

Special stakeholders who are included in the academic events of the centre are students, graduates, and former members as follows; Lawyer (L) Morten Ruben Brage (Bruun & Hjejle), Bachelor of Law Felix Fröhlich (UCPH), Bachelor of Law Azad Taher (UCPH), PhD fellow Frederik Waage (SDU) and Chief Consultant, PhD Dimitri Weil (SKAT).

The management of the centre is unchanged and consists of Carsten Henrichsen (day-to-day Head), Peter Blume (responsible for the external presentation of the centre), Niels Fenger (responsible for the international relations of the centre) and Trine Baumbach (responsible for the centre’s meeting activity and contact with partners).

Advisory board

The advisory board is unchanged and consists of 12 members; Commissioned Jon Andersen, Parliamentary Commissioner for the administration, Director Jannie Christoffersen, the Danish Data Protection Agency, Professor Paul Craig, Oxford University, Director Agneta Gersing, the Danish Competition Authority, Professor Hans Petter Graver, University of Oslo, Attorney to the Government Karsten Hegel-Sørensen, Professor Jan Jans, Groningen University, Professor Lena Marcusson, Uppsala University, Permanent Secretary Claes Nilas, Ministry of Housing and Building, Cabinet Member Søren Schönberg, EU Commission, Supreme Court Justice Oliver Talevski and Deputy Permant Secretary Hans B. Thomsen, Ministry of Economic Affairs and the Interior.
A meeting has been held with the advisory board (Danish-speaking members of the board), on 7 September 2012, where the Head of the centre’s report on the centre's affairs were discussed (the Head of the centre has subsequently submitted a written report of 18 September 2012). The annual report for 2011 has been sent to the English speaking members of the panel to comment. The centre has not received any comments.

Funding and financial statement

In 2012 the centre received funding of DKK 354,000, approx. DKK 46,000 less than the funding from last year of DKK 400,000. The funding included the transfer of DKK 60,000 from external funding (funding from DANI-DA), which preferably has had to cover activities related to Vibeke Vindeløv’s STAKE project. As of 8 October 2012 the funding was devaluated to DKK 184,000, as the balance of DKK 170,000 is approved for transfer to 2013. The final accounts for 2012 are not currently available.

Research funding

Several of the centre’s members of staff have been involved in applications for external funding during the year, primarily from the University of Copenhagen established 2016 Funds of approx. DKK 400 million for research purposes (announced in August 2012 with the deadline for expressions of interest 31 August 2012);

- **Henrik Stevnsborg** in collaboration with the Faculty of Social Sciences and Faculty of Humanities on a project: Interaction between police and municipalities.
- **Anita Rønne**, in collaboration with LIFE on a project: Heterodox solutions - transdisciplinary deliberations on recent, current and emerging global environmental crises.
- **Anita Rønne and Vibeke Vindeløv** in collaboration with the Faculty of Social Sciences, Faculty of Health and Medical Sciences and Faculty of Theology on a project: Connecting Science – in the Kenyan Mau Forest and Beyond.
- **Peter Pagh** in collaboration with the Faculty of Health and Medical Sciences and Faculty of Humanities on a project relating to: Monitoring of seals and conservation of fish quality in our waters.
- **Peter Pagh** in cooperation with Faculty of Health and Medical Sciences and Faculty of Humanities on a project for: Plants for a Changing World.

Applicants for the latter project have been invited to submit an application with expected project funds of approx. DKK 4 million to the Faculty of Law.
if the application is accepted. It was subsequently announced that the application has been accepted (http://jura.ku.dk/Nyheder/2013/2016-puljen/).

**Study tour 2012**

The centre management by Carsten Henrichsen and Peter Blume paid a study visit to Senter for Retsinformatik (SERI, Norwegian Research Centre for Computers and Law) at the University of Oslo 15 May 2012. Representatives of the present Centre for Innovation and Information law (CIIR) were also invited. The purpose of the visit was to discuss cooperation opportunities between our respective centres. Head of centre, Professor Dag Wiese Schartum, SERI, was responsible for the event. The event included a number of professional presentations from participants – mostly on topics within intellectual property and personal data protection.

**Workshop 2012**

The centre held its annual workshop 19 June 2012 with the participation of almost all centre members including the establishment of a plan of activities for the coming year and a strategy for the centre's research and research funding on the agenda. Under the last item the centre's efforts in relation to faculty expectations concerning the provision of PhD courses, contribution to an elite research programme and grant application for funding of collective research was discussed.

**Centre projects**

On the centre's previous workshop in 2011, it was decided to launch a major public research project focusing on the internationalisation of public law and with the aim of publishing an anthology in 2012. This anthology was published by Djøf's publishers at the end of August with the title Retskil-dernes kamp (the Battle of the Sources of Law) and with two of its members, Trine Baumbach and Peter Blume, as editors. In addition to a number of its own members some members of the centre’s advisory board have contributed to this book (Jon Andersen, Lena Marcusson and Claes Nilas). The release was marked with a mini conference 21 September same year with Attorney, Legal Advisor of The Danish Government, Karsten Hagel-Sørensen as keynote speaker.

At the centre's workshop in 2012 the possibility of launching a project proposed by the Head of centre on the legal significance of the Danish-Nordic context of a new interdisciplinary steering approach known from German administrative law science was discussed. The project is both interdisciplinary in relation to the subject areas, which the centre covers, and interdisciplinary with involvement by governance-inspired notions of evidence-based
The establishment of the University’s 2016 Funds for cross-faculty research purposes has generated a series of collaborative projects as mentioned under "research funding". The above mentioned project on *Plants for a Changing World* focuses on the connections between climate change, agriculture and food production, particularly on temperature and weather changes, which cause plant diseases. The project stems from ideas of a "new green re-\textit{\v{e}volution}" based on the results of new bio-scientific insights (\textit{biofortification}). As a participant in this project, Peter Pagh will specifically examine the possibility of profit-sharing (benefit sharing) under the Nagoya Protocol and the European Court of Justice’s case law regarding the harmonisation of GMO regulations.

Anita Rønne is represented in several collaborative projects, including two teaching collaborations; *Master of Environmental and Energy Law* in cooperation with the AU, SDU and UCPH and Climate Change Impacts, Adaptation and Mitigation (CCIAM), an interdisciplinary e-learning course to be offered by the Faculty of Life Sciences. Also, a number of research collaborations as follows; *Sustainable Transitions* by research alliance 'Enabling and Governing Transitions to a Low Carbon Society', funded by the Strategic Research Council, and with participants from DTU, AUC, AU and UCPH; *Infrastructure and the Law* by Academic Advisory Group of the International Bar Association, Section on Energy, Environment, Natural Resources and Infrastructure Law, where the project has been completed with a publication in 2012 by Oxford University Press and an international conference 'Energy Law Seminar'; *Energy Underground: Innovative Law and Policy for Transformative Technologies* as a new project by the same group.

Carsten Henrichsen has been associated as a Danish rapporteur in a comparative research project on *development trends in municipal legislation* in the Nordic countries, launched in early 2012 under the auspices of Høgskolen in Oslo and Akershus after the commissioning of the Municipal and Regional Department in Norway. This has resulted in a new municipal law publication, Carsten Henrichsen; Danish Municipal Law – Basics of the Local Government Act (235 pages), published electronically in a new series of forensic e-writings from CORA: [www.jura.ku.dk/cora/writings](http://www.jura.ku.dk/cora/writings).

Similarly, Carsten Henrichsen edited a special issue on "\textit{Tribunals of Inquiry}" to the journal Futuriblerne published by one of the centre’s collaboration partners, Selskabet for Fremitidsforskning (Association for Futures Studies), and to which a number of the centre’s / Faculty’s staff have con-
tributed, including Michael Gøtze (WELMA/CORA), Morten Heiberg (CRS/CORA), Carsten Henrichsen (COR.
A), Anders Henriksen (CILJ) and Eva Smith (Faculty of Law). The special issue is available at: www.jura.ku.dk/cora/nyheder. The plan is to follow up this research collaboration with a mini conference mid 2013.

Trine Baumbach is participating in a Nordic research project on punishment for rape. The project is funded by the Nordic Council for Criminology. The project will culminate in a report scheduled for publication in spring 2013.

Vibeke Vindeløv is main responsible for the DANIDA supported collaborative project Stabilizing Kenya by Solving Forest Related Conflicts carried out under the platform Strategic Partnership Agreements (STAKE) in collaboration with representatives from LIFE (Faculty of Life Sciences), Wangari Maathai Institute at Nairobi University and Green Belt Movement.

Events

As in previous years CORA has prioritised the provision of seminars, conferences and guest lectures on current issues and topics, which for other reasons stand out, e.g. because they cover an educational need. The major events – conferences and guest lectures – are offered to all interested parties and with the possibility of acquiring a diploma for participation for the assistant attorneys’ further education. Moreover, smaller events are held within the centre in the form of seminars and the like.

27.01 Conference on the occasion of The Administrative Procedure Act 25 year’s jubilee with ombudsman Hans Gammeltoft-Hansen, Professor Steen Rønsholdt, CORA, and Professor Karsten Revsbech, Aarhus University as keynote speakers. (Org. Head of centre and Jens Møller, the Danish Ombudsman). Approx. 120 registrations.

03.02 Seminar on LawComputerInteraction – a project of law design for digital purposes, by MSc Political Science and IT engineer Ulla Lund. (Org. Head of centre).

02.03 Seminar on The procedural frame of judicial review of administrative decisions, by PhD fellow Frederik Waage, SDU. (Org. Peter Pagh).

13.04 Seminar on project regarding Intelligent treatment of complaints – reinforced citizens’ contact, by consultant and mediator, MSc Hans Chr. Viemose. (Org. Head of centre).


15.05 Common seminar with Norwegian Research Centre for Computers and Law (SERI) and Centre for Information and Inno-
Seminar on *The case of an apostrophe: Danish administrative culture illustrated by a case story*, by Henrik Palmer Olsen, CSR (Org. Head of centre).


Workshop seminar on *EC proposal to new regulations of data protection* by Christian Wiese Svanberg, Ministry of Justice (Org. Peter Blume).

Mini conference on *The Battle of the Sources of Law – on the relations between national law, EC-law and International Law*. (Org. Trine Baumbach and Peter Blume). Approx. 80 registrations.

Seminar on *The Administrative Procedure Act as a minimum regulation*, by Niels Fenger.


*A Global Due Process of Law?* Lecture (in English) by Professor Sabino Cassese, Judge at the Constitutional Court of Italy, CORA and iCourts (Org. Mikael Rask Madsen, iCourts). Approx. 30 registrations.

For 2013 (spring) there are tentatively four events scheduled, two lunch seminars (about the new public law and new rules on dismissal of mayors), a guest lecture (by the Dutch ombudsman) and a mini conference (on Tribunals of Inquiry).

**Research activities**

The centre’s research activities are divided into a number of topics, which fall into three groups as indicated on the centre’s website: general topics (7 projects), specific topics (9 projects) and interdisciplinary topics (7 projects). For an overview of the centre’s – current or planned – research projects, please see the centre website (reviewed 31 December 2012); [http://jura.ku.dk/cora/english/current-research-projects/](http://jura.ku.dk/cora/english/current-research-projects/).

Within these areas, the centre members – incl. the attached members – have published about 90 articles and books in 2012 and held a somewhat smaller
number of conference presentations. For an overview of the centre members' research, please see the centre website (only in Danish); www.jura.ku.dk/cora/forskningspublikationer.

Most of the centre members' research focuses on 'own' projects, more or less in line with the above mentioned project subjects. However, it is also necessary to allow research on topics, which have not previously been projected in the centre auspices. This ensures at the same time that members' research efforts have relevance for the centre as such, while the research freedom is respected.

Research groups
The centre's activities are partly organised in groups, of which by the end of 2012 were created three groups, respectively an Environmental Law group (led by Peter Pagh), a Police Law group (led by Henrik Stevnsborg) and a group concerning Governance and Mediation (led by Vibeke Vindeløv).

The Police Law group is responsible for the interdisciplinary network Politi-forskertræf – Forum for tværvidenskabelig politiforskning (Police Scientist meeting), who meet 5-6 times a year as a collegiate framework of police research in Denmark. The group of participants consists of researchers at the Faculty of Law, National Archives Administration, Copenhagen Business School, Grænseregionens Forskningsinstitut, Department of Education, Police Museum and Rigspolitiet's Videnscenter.

The group concerning Governance and Mediation includes among others the above mentioned DANIDA funded project, 'Stabilizing Kenya by Solving Forest Related Conflicts' (STAKE), with Vibeke Vindeløv as mainly responsible. Furthermore, Vibeke Vindeløv and Lin Adrian are responsible for the new Master's programme in conflict mediation, which started in 2012, and which involves a professional network of 'stakeholders' of about 1500 persons.

Research education and recruitment
At the request of the Head of the PhD school the centre has submitted a proposal for a public law PhD course in English by Niels Fenger and Peter Pagh. The course has since been approved by the PhD study board and will be offered at end of 2013. The course will focus on the importance of international law in practice and the challenges this means for PhD projects.

The centre has also offered a number of new project topics for 2012 as inspiration for PhD applicants, including: Examination of administrative acts in a comparative perspective; Administrative law in the Nordic countries; Administrative law processes in the border area of civil procedure; legal se-
curity in administrative tribunal processes, complaints boards – is there a need for reform?; Administrative enforcement – powers and obligations, and the role of prosecution in Denmark.

In addition, new English-language topics are offered; The Governance Perspective – Implications for Administrative Law; Mediation as a Technique for Good Governance in Health Care; Comparative Analysis of Judicial Review and Administrative Court Systems; General Administrative Acts in Scandinavia.

**Other educational activities**

The members of the centre staff are involved in a wide range of educational activities both at this university, in collaboration with other universities and externally (including Djøf Efteruddannelsel and Juristernes videreuddannelse/JUC). For an overview of centre employees’ involvement in the Faculty’s own Master’s, graduate and undergraduate programmes, please see the centre website (only in Danish); [www.jura.ku.dk/cora/uddannelser](http://www.jura.ku.dk/cora/uddannelser).

**Centre newsletter**

The centre publishes a newsletter (in Danish), *News from CORA*, published approx. 2-3 times a year, and interested parties can subscribe to it via the centre's mail service. In the past period, 2 newsletters have been published (21 February and 18 September). By the end of 2012 approx. 125 people were registered to the centre's news service.

Kind regards

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Head of centre