

ReDi Newsflash June 2018

Invitation to the Annual Meeting of ReDi – Berlin Conference: Deadline 15th June 2018 – Bursaries for Conference Participation – Become a Member Before the Conference and the Annual Meeting – Call for PhD Scholar in Norwegian/Nordic History of Diaconia

Dear members and friends,

Annual Meeting in Berlin, 13 September 2018, 3.15-4.45 PM

On 6th June 2018, the registered members have received an invitation to the **Annual Meeting of ReDi** that will take place on Thursday, 13 September 2018 (from 3.15-4.45 PM) during the ReDi Conference in Berlin. The Executive Board is asking the members for decisions in important organizational questions. These are, among others, the re-location of ReDi to Brussels, membership fees and the role of regional networks. The Annual Meeting in Berlin will become an important platform for choosing path to stabilize and develop ReDi as an international platform for research in the field of Diaconia and Christian Social Practice. Please come to the Annual Meeting if you want to have a say in the important decisions about the future of ReDi. Or become a member - if you are not member yet but - interested in the work and the development of ReDi. For more information about the Annual Meeting, please have a look at the agenda (attached) and find more information about a relocation proposal (attached).

ReDi Conference in Berlin, 12-14 September 2018

As always, the Annual Meeting is part of the program of the Biannual International Conference of ReDi. The Seventh Biannual Conference takes place from 12- 14 September 2018 in Berlin in the headquarters of Diakonie Deutschland. The theme of the Conference is “Beyond Services Towards Justice” (please have a look at the [conference programme](#)). It is still possible to submit abstracts for workshops, poster and paper sessions and research group meeting, see [call for papers](#). However, you have to be quick if you want to be a contributor. The abstracts should be submitted until **15th June 2018 at the latest**. Abstracts for papers should be max. 200 words, proposals for poster sessions, workshops and research groups should not be longer than one page. Please submit your abstracts to Eurodiaconia’s Research Officer Florian Tuder at florian.tuder@eurodiaconia.org. Full texts of the papers and posters should be submitted to the same address **by 29 August 2018**.

Bursaries for Conference Participation

In the newsletter for May 2018, we have drawn your attention to the possibility to apply for bursaries. The idea is to help some researchers/participants with the costs for travelling and accommodation in relation to Seventh Biannual International Conference of ReDi in Berlin. Thanks to donations raised by the hosts of the conference and to the ReDi membership fees ReDi is together with the conference hosts able to distribute some bursaries. The funds are, however, limited. Therefore, the bursaries are mainly meant for participants who contribute to the workshops, research groups, poster or paper presentations in the conference and cannot access other funds to participate. Please send your bursary application to Florian Tuder at

florian.tuder@eurodiaconia.org and to Annette Rose Leis-Peters at annette.leis-peters@vid.no before **22 June 2018**. For more information, please have a look at our [explanatory document](#).

Become a Member

Annual conferences are the best occasions to become a member of a scientific society. Being a member does not only give the chance to decide about its future, in our case about the future of ReDi. Both as individual and an institutional member you will also pay a reduced conference fee. Membership is not at least a way to make the importance of research in the field of Diaconia and Christian Social Practice visible in the huge landscape of research. For more information about the aims and visions of ReDi as a research society and about how to become a member go to our new website at: www.diaconiaresearch.org.

PhD scholarship in history of Diaconia (Norwegian/Nordic)

At VID Specialized University, a PhD scholarship in history of Diaconia has recently been advertised. Deadline for applications is 1 September 2018. The call is in Norwegian, but invites Norwegian, European and global projects with focus on history and Diaconia. If history of Diaconia is your interest in research and you do not understand Norwegian, please do not hesitate to use translation programs and to contact the contact persons mentioned in the call. For more information, please [follow this link](#).

For more information about ReDi, please visit our new website:
www.diaconiaresearch.org

We are looking forward to hear from you soon and to meet all of you in Berlin.

Best wishes

Ninna Edgardh

Chairperson

Annette Leis-Peters

Secretary

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