

SIG-PM and PDA collaboration

The Special Interest Group – Product Modeling (SIG-PM) and the Product Development Academy (PDA) have established close collaboration. SIG-PM has existed since 1989, and engage individuals in industry, academia and other organizations that share an interest in product development and product modeling. Today, it is an organization that represents both industrial and academic perspectives on strategic development capabilities fruitful for Swedish competitiveness. SIG-PM has an ambition to increase the collaboration with PDA and functions as a strategic advisory board for PDA. More information on SIG-PM is available at <https://www.sigpm.se/>

EIT Manufacturing

The former secretary of PDA, Prof Björn Fagerström, has adopted a new role as Director CLC North for EIT Manufacturing.

It is an Innovation Community within the European Institute of Innovation & Technology (EIT) that connects the leading manufacturing actors in Europe. Some 50 actors from 17 countries are brought together under the umbrella of EIT Manufacturing. The ambition is to create unique value for European products, processes and services and support global competitiveness and sustainable manufacturing in Europe. More info is accessible at

<https://eitmanufacturing.eu/>

The PDA congratulates EIT Manufacturing to an excellent recruitment!

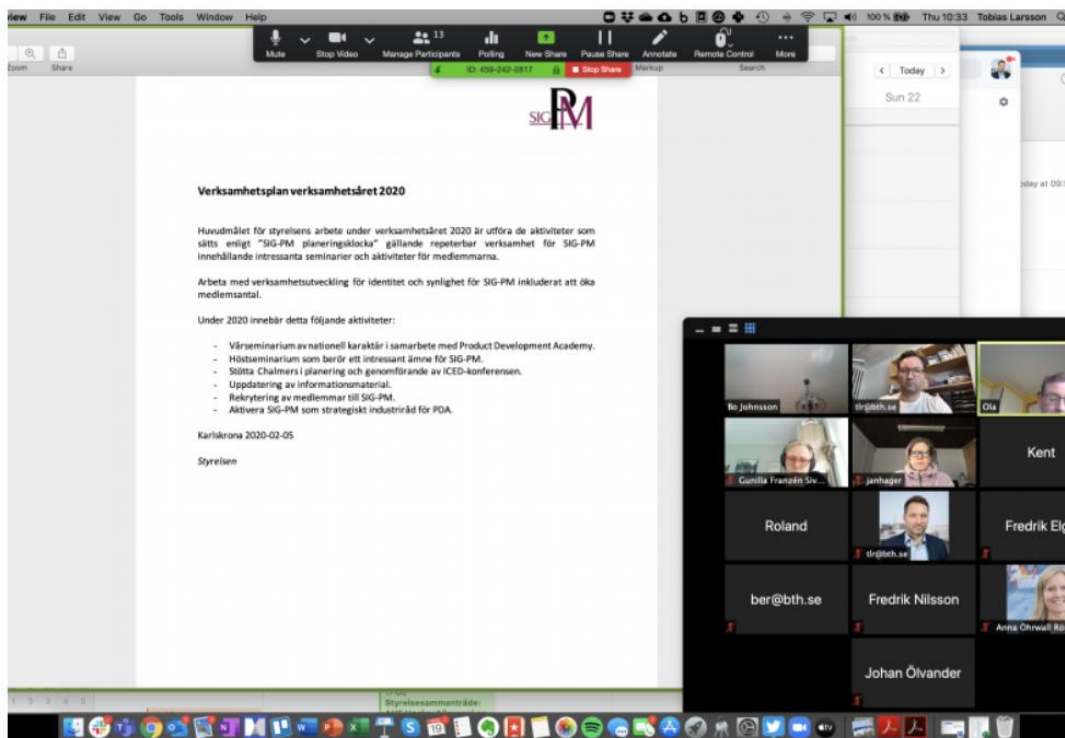


Exhibit 1: SIG-PM Annual meeting in March 2020 – online due to COVID-19.

PhD activities

First, information about the PDA PhD course suite with 4 modules: *Module 3: P61 Modeling/Simulation/Optimization* is currently running with 15 participants; ends in June 2020. *Module 4: P09 EPD-Engineering Management* starts Aug 24th (online) and runs during autumn 2020. *Module 1: P06 Critical Review of the Product Development Process* has a last date for registration Dec 1st 2020 and starts in Jan 2021. *Module 1: P13 Sustainability in Engineering Product Development* has a last date for registration Dec 15th 2020 and preliminary course start date Feb 4th 2021.

P01 Production Innovation starts in Oct 2020.

The popular course *PM9 Get Your Paper Published* will be offered once again and starts Nov 12-13th 2020.

More details and other PhD courses are available at

<https://kunskapsformedlingen.se/en/courses/>

Conferences

Due to the uncertainty concerning the new corona virus outbreak the SPS2020 conference is postponed until Oct 6-9th 2020. For updates, see <http://www.sps2020.se/>

Also, DESIGN 2020 is postponed to Oct 26-29th. More info is available at <https://www.designconference.org/>

The NordDesign 2020 conference has decided to be held online where dates and times remain unchanged

(i.e. Aug 11-14th) but all presentations, keynotes, etc. will be conducted digitally. More info on

<https://www.norddesign2020.dk/>

Nordcode 2020 with the theme “Design thinking: knowing, being, acting”, is hosted by Industrial Design, Luleå University of Technology, Nov 10-11th. The call is open for submissions of extended abstracts with deadline Aug 28th, 2020. For further info please go to:

<https://www.ltu.se/research/subjects/Industrial-design/nordcode2020>.

ICED21, hosted by Chalmers, opens online submission of papers on Aug 5th with deadline Dec 2nd 2020. For further info please go to:

<https://iced.designsociety.org/>

Membership and upcoming events

If you are interested to become a member of the PDA network, go to the PDA web and sign in via ‘Contacts’:

<http://www.productdevelopmentacademy.se/>

You are also invited to join the PDA LinkedIn group that is accessible via <https://www.linkedin.com/groups/8416181/>.

Finally

The PDA Board wishes you a sunny, relaxing and healthy summer!!