

To become
more efficient

To free up
time for research

To create a common
image of the future

PRIO-RESEARCH

PREVIOUSLY KNOWN AS GRANTS FOR GOALS, DEVELOPED AT ÖREBRO UNIVERSITY

Find Strengths, Areas for Improvement and Ways of Working

Outcome

When finishing Prio Research the you come out with a vision, objectives and activities with deadlines and distributed responsibilities. For a more proactive style of work you will also be given the option to set new routines and responsibilities.

Why

Strong research attracts external funding. By studying how successful researchers work and combining it with models for strategic work and group dynamics we have developed a basis for discussion called “Prio Research”. The purpose is to provide conditions for researchers to proactively work towards their research objectives by establishing a long term strategy. Since 2015 groups and individuals have used Prio Research to identify new opportunities, create common images of the future and develop concrete forward plans for research, collaboration, research and funding.

What

Prio Research is developed from the challenges in the researcher’s reality. As a first step the group’s assets and strengths are explored. By then discussing the present state and the future and by formulating vision, objectives and strategies the group can decide on what strategies and activities to use to move efficiently forward. Prio Research lays steady on generally accepted models for leadership, group dynamics and quality quality systems. To this has also been added experience and current research literature.

How

The process of Prio Research may benefit from being layed out over a longer period of time. The basis for discussion is organised in five modules with some collaborative work in between. Module 1 is an introduction to Prio Research spanning over 45 minutes and could be scheduled to a regular meeting. Module 2-5 should be

about three hours each, preferably separated by a few weeks but can also be scheduled to a continuous seminar. Development can be difficult to push forward and groups tend to cling to known

problems, this is why the process leaders takes on the task of conducting the discussion as well as analysing the results and driving the process forward.

Onwards

With Prio Research, you or the group draws a common map on the present state and the future as well as the path ahead. Commitment and willingness to evolve and updtae future plans is crucial. To be able to move forward in a changing environment beyond Prio Research, a clear and accepted leadership as well as focus on structure and proactivity is needed.

