

Minutes of CEMO BOARD MEETING 15th September 2025

12:15-13:45, On-site (KBH, S ta, 3617B, 3rd floor)

Summoned

Representatives from UV faculty:	Janne von Koss Torkildsen (<i>chair</i>)
	Guri Nortvedt (absent)
External representative:	Roger Andr� Federici
Representative from permanent staff:	Johan Braeken
Representative from fixed-term staff:	Yuriko Sosa Paredes
Student representative:	Luisa thor Straten
From the administration:	Malin Solli Wandem (<i>secretary</i>)
Copy:	Ronny Scherer (<i>CEMO director</i>)
	Substitute members of the board

AGENDA

LIST OF ITEMS

- Approval of the list of items
- Minutes from the last board meeting, on circulation, 24.07.2025 (*see Attachment 1*)
- "Eventuelt" items

ITEMS FOR ORIENTATION

- Item 8/2025 Update on the CEMO leadership and internal responsibilities**
The Centre Director, Ronny Scherer, informed the board that the transition from former director Rolf Vegar Olsen has proceeded smoothly. Some internal responsibilities among senior academic staff have been adjusted, and all core tasks are now covered. The temporary shortage of staff following Olsen's resignation remains unresolved.
- Item 9/2025 Status: Evaluation of the centre (phase I)**
The Centre Director informed the board about the ongoing evaluation of CEMO's organisational placement within the UV Faculty. An evaluation committee, including Ronny Scherer and Malin S. Wandem, is preparing a report due 15 November 2025. The Faculty Board will decide on whether to proceed to phase two on 4 December 2025 (*attachment 2*)
- Item 10/2025 Status: Recruitment of PhD candidates**
The Centre Director updated the board on the following:
 - One new PhD candidate will start on 1 October 2025.

- The PhD position linked to CREATE Strand 3 could not be filled; it will likely be converted into a postdoc position and re-announced.
- A new PhD position will be announced in early 2026.

Item 11/2025 Financial status: Brief budget overview

The Centre Director presented the 2026 budget. There are no major changes for next year, although a new funding model has been introduced. CEMO will receive a slightly higher gross allocation than in 2025.

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

Item 12/2025 Recruitment plan in 2026

Orientation by Centre Director, Ronny Scherer

Discussion topics:

- Discussion of possible formats of positions to fill the open professorship position (replacement for Rolf Vegar Olsen)
- Discussion of the recruitment process of a new PhD candidate (from 2026 onwards)
- Replacement of researcher in the EU funded MapIE project from March 2026.

Item 13/2025 Process of establishing the new CEMO Board (2026-)

Orientation by Centre Director Ronny Scherer and Secretary Malin Solli Wandem.

Discussion points:

- Possible overlap between the current and the incoming CEMO Board. The Centre Director will invite the new board members to the next meeting on 10 December 2025.
- Current members' willingness to serve another term. Roger A. Federici indicated that he is willing to continue.
- Suggestions for potential new board members where discussed.

ITEMS FOR DECISION

Item 14/2025 Requests for topics to be discussed in the next CEMO Board meeting (October 29, 2025, 09:00-10:00)

- Suggestions for topics raised by the board
- Suggestion to have the next meeting digitally

“EVENTUELT” ITEMS

No items was raised under “eventuelt”.

Ronny Scherer
CEMO director

Malin Solli Wandem
CEMO Board Secretary

ATTACHMENTS

- Attachment 1: Notice of changes in the CEMO internal hiring board, on circulation,
24.07.2025
- Attachment 2: Mandate of the CEMO evaluation committee