
Svalbard Resykkelerings Workshop

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1 Status Workshop 2018

The Svalbard Resykkelerings Workshop was originally founded in September 2016 to create a workspace for students to repair their bikes and skies. Over time and with the help through funding from the Miljøvernfond the workshop developed into a recognised location of Longyearbyen, a place where locals and students can meet, socialize and get help fixing their bikes, skies or even snowmobiles. We also recycle bikes from in Abvallstationen on a regular basis. The project is funded through donations from the visitors of the workshop. By now we have recycled more than 100 bikes and had more than 1000 visitors in our workshop!

To be able to provide regular opening hours we needed funding to pay the students or locals who guarantee these times. Not a full payment, but rather a recognition of the volunteer work and some 'pocket money' - a compensation. We got the funding through Miljøvernfond Svalbard in November/December 2018.

2 Short summary of status January 2020

Since February 2019 we have been able to open mostly twice a week - every week! The funding has been a huge success: weekly openings were guaranteed and in 2019 we had more than 1000 visitors! Not just students but also a growing number of locals.

Since the workshop was part of the UNIS Student Council and there were some complications, the Student Council decided to get the workshop independent - which was successfully arranged in April 2019.

After that we were finally able to get into the process of being recognized as a non-profit Organisation.

This application was successful at the end of last year and a bank account was opened too.

We are now an independent non-profit organisation with one big aim: Resykkel!!!

We are now ready to receive the funding from Miljøvernfond Svalbard.

The following table gives a rough overview over the last three years since the funding of the workshop:

Date	Status	Comment
September 2016 <i>First Funding</i>	'Miljovernfond Svalbard' - Application for founding handed in by UNIS student council	Granted with 10.000NOK in December 2016
October 2016	'UNIS Workshop Group' formed under the supervision of the student council	earlier attempts of opening a workshop has not been fruitful
November/ December 2016	Room provided by Samskipnaden; Tools are ordered	Construction start for a bike- and a ski-workshop
January 2017	The bike tools arrive Collecting Bikes from the Avfallsanlegget	Workshop still closed due to construction
February 2017 <i>First Opening</i>	the workshop is finished and a 'test-period' is launched	Workshop opens for UNIS Students
March 2017 <i>Closing</i>	workshop is left in messy conditions, tools are broken or disappear	Workshop is closed again, until a better system is established
April 2017	Workshop needs to stay closed till a fire extinguisher is installed	Fire extinguisher needs to be inspected by the fire department
Mai-August 2017 <i>Regular Openings</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Fire extinguisher installed - opening hours are implemented with a workshop member present at all times 	Workshop opens once a week! Facebook group established with public information
August 2017	First Recycled Bikes are available and are given away in a lottery	300 NOK per bike in donation to ensure the sustainability of the workshop
Oct-December 2017	More tools and spare bike parts are being ordered and received	Workshop is fully functionable
February 2018	First Aid Kit is placed in the workshop	Safety first!
December 2018 <i>Second Funding</i>	Successful application for further funding through the Miljovernfond	Granted 75.000 NOK

Since February 2019	Workshop openings twice a week	Because of compensation, regular opening times are guaranteed!
April 2019	Workshop becomes independent	No longer part of UNIS and available to locals too!
Since April 2019	Application Non-Profit Organisation	undergoing
June- September	Order more tools and spare parts	Higher demand requires more tools and services :)
Till October 2019	More than 1000 visitors in the shop and more than 100 bikes saved & recycled from Avalsstationen	The workshop is running much better due to compensation for volunteers
Since October 2019	New system in place of renting out Bikes through the workshop	Guaranteed return of the bike to us - not to Avalsstationen
December 2019	Application Non-Profit Organisation Bank Account opened	Finally Approved, finally we are a non profit organisation!

3 Proof of spending 2019

Since February 2019 we opened regularly, at least once a week. More often twice, always Tuesday and Thursday. Until End of December 2019 we had 85 openings within 48 weeks. 340 hours. Compensation for volunteers is 150 NOK per hour.

We also used additional 100 hours for administration and another 60 for workshop construction, cleaning and collecting bikes.

	Amount of hours	Amount of funding spent
Workshop Openings	340	51.000 NOK
Administration	100	15.000 NOK
Workshop Maintenance	60	9.000 NOK
Sum	500 hours	75.000 NOK

4 Next Steps

1. receive funding from Mijovernfond
2. apply for further funding in January for the year 2020 to keep the good work up
3. Maintain the workshop, its opening hours and acquire new members when needed, have fun fixing & saving bikes :) WE Resykke!!!!