Junior Faculty Prize for Sustainable Research Environment

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Professor Björn-Ola Linnér, TEMA

Nomination
As a research leader at the Centre for Climate Science and Policy Research, CSPR, Björn-Ola has created a unique research environment for junior researchers where everyone is treated as a valued, respected and important part of the team.

Over the last years Björn-Ola has generously provided and supported junior researchers in their career development both through individual coaching, strategic career planning, team support for research applications and having trust in junior researchers which enable them to take responsibility within the research team. As an example of the latter, all postdoctoral researchers have been given a carefully designed area of responsibility related to key activities at CSPR, allowing junior researchers to practice academic leadership. He has enabled a research environment which encourages cooperation rather than internal competition.

Beyond his academic and practical support, Björn-Ola is an inspiring colleague with a strong sense of personal engagement in securing the well-being of individual researchers by a constant and sincere support, pep-talk and encouragement. He never hesitates to shout out a ‘well done’, ‘brilliant’ and ‘I’m proud of being part of this team’ through the hallway of CSPR.