

NorPEN Executive Committee meeting

April 19, 2022, 14:30-15:30 CET

Present: Lotte Rasmussen, Leena Saastamoinen, Arto Puranen, Björn Pasternak, Miia Artama, Larus Steinþór Guðmundsson, Hedvig Nordeng

1. Approval of minutes from the last meeting

We accepted the minutes of the last meeting without any changes.

2. Follow-up of outstanding issues from the last meeting

- Union of International Associations Yearbook updates - Leena had checked that there is no fee for NorPEN and updated the information.
- Considering that most of the content is behind pay-wall perhaps this service is not for us.

3. NorPEN 2022 in Tampere, Finland - [NorPEN meeting 2022 | Tampere Universities \(tuni.fi\)](#)

We Continued the discussion of the format of SLAM sessions (incl. suitable system for attendees to write their questions down).

Meeting with congress centre in May and the question session if they can provide this service.

Web pages are ready to be published. We discussed about abstract guidance.

4. Update from Educational group

- Meeting held February 21st – see separate minutes
- *Post meeting comment Carolyn C:* For the virtual ICPE mid-year meeting 12-13 April, there is a session called: What should a well-trained pharmacoepidemiologist look like in 2030? Jesper Hallas in the panel – ask him to give a talk for NorPEN members? The matter will be discussed in the educational group.
- *Email reply from Morten Andersen considering NorPEN mailing list:* NorPEN is an association of research groups and not a society with individual membership. An earlier attempt to collect this information was abandoned because of GDPR challenges. Invites could be done through group leaders. GDPR statement is in the making. We discussed that probably only consent of the participants who would like to join the list would be enough. We discussed considering how this could be established and we could ask similar institutions how they have implemented their lists.
- Next meeting May 11th

5. News updates: Ongoing papers & projects

Miia mentioned some covid-19 papers are ongoing by their group. We discussed also considering ICPE COVIC-papers. There was a mention of Danish-Norwegian-Swedish collaborative projects (Björn and Lotte). We had discussion about academics collaborating with industry. Most issues will probably be caused because of lag times with data, regulatory considerations etc. We had also brief discussion of data models.

6. Other points

- Newsletter - First one could be with information of next NorPEN meeting: postponing this till May
- Other upcoming events:
 - i. Pharmacoepidemiology Summer School in Denmark 20-24 June 2022
 - ii. ICPE conference, August 24-28, 2022, Copenhagen, Denmark
 - iii. Clinical epidemiology congress in Iceland
- We discussed if we could post information of relevant congresses on NorPEN website

7. Next meeting

Next meeting: Tuesday 14th June, 2022, 11:00 CET

Rotation of the Chairmanship: DK, NO, IS, SE, FI, societies, register holders.

Next chair: Iceland (Larus)