

## Minutes: NorPEN TC 13.00 – 14.00 CET, June 22, 2019

**Present:** Leena Saastamoinen (Chair, Registries), Larus Steinþór Guðmundsson (IS), Hedvig Nordeng (NO), Sarah Hiorth Andersen (PhD Students), Ólafur B. Einarsson (IS)

**Excused:** Miia Artama (pharmacoepi societies), Maarit Leinonen (registry holders), Vera Ehrenstein (DK), Helle Kieler (SE), Sirpa Hartikainen (FI), Carolyn Cesta (NORPEN 2021)

1. **Welcome** Lárus S G welcomed all.
2. **Note keeper** Hedvig Nordeng (NO) was appointed as note keeper.
3. **Approval of notes from the last meeting:** The notes were approved.
4. **NorPEN 13th Annual Meeting**

The 13th annual NorPEN meeting, to be held in Stockholm, is postponed to 2021 due to the covid19 pandemic. The new dates for the meeting will be announced in the autumn 2020. In the meantime, a 2 hour webinar will be held for the NorPEN community.

Date: Wednesday November 11th 2020. Time: 14.00 – 16.00. Suggested topics:

Two 45 minute sessions, separated by a 10 minute break:

- 1) **Jessica Young – overview of G methods** (a short introduction meant to be a ‘teaser’ for the half day course during the full NorPEN meeting)
- 2) **4-5 presentations by junior researchers**  
- how to select these researchers? One from each Nordic country? Recently defended PhDs?

Committee supported these ideas incl. one presentation from a junior researcher per country. Leena will send an email to inform Carolyn about this decision.

Registration will be free and will open in late September. See information <https://ki.se/en/meds/norpen-13th-annual-meeting>.

### 5. Other (All)

Several Nordic collaborative applications were submitted to the Nordforsk COVID-19 call.

Sarah/ Mikkel/Casper: Ask PhD representatives to make a list of PhD students in pharmacoepidemiology in the Nordic countries. Include on the next agenda.

Hedvig asked about taking turns in chairing – including the pharmacoepi societies/ registry holders/PhD students in the rotation? Include on the next agenda.

NOMESCO (Nordic Medico-Statistical Committee) is a statistical committee under the Nordic Council of Ministers. Not updated data since 2018. Olafur will follow-up on this and inform the NORPEN executive committee.

*News from pharmacoepi societies:*

Norway: Drug Norway might be joining the general epi society NOFE.

### 6. Next Skype meeting

Monday 24<sup>th</sup> August 2020 13.00 – 14.00. Chair: SE (Björn), note keeper: IS (Ólafur).

Please remember to inform your substitute. The chair and the note-keeper for the TCs take turns by country: DK, NO, IS, SE and FI. The chair of one meeting will take notes at the next meeting.