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## Purpose, organisation and key activities of GeoNor

The National Norwegian IAG Geomorphology Group (GeoNor, approved in September 2019) will increase the national and international visibility of Norwegian geomorphology and will stimulate the active communication, collaboration and exchange between senior and early career scientists from geomorphology and from other bio-geophysical disciplines working at different universities, research institutes and companies in Norway. In addition, GeoNor shall serve as a catalyst for the development of international scientific contacts and collaborations for Norwegian senior and early career scientists. GeoNor shall significantly reach out internationally by being closely linked with the four other Nordic geomorphology groups/communities from Sweden, Finland, Denmark and Iceland, and by showing appreciation for the geomorphological research achievements and the published scientific work of international colleagues that have carried out relevant geomorphological research in Norway. As an active National Scientific Member of the International Association of Geomorphologists (IAG), GeoNor is part of a global network of senior and young geomorphology groups and communities. GeoNor is initiated and headed by Dr. Achim A. Beylich and is initially run by an efficient core group of eight scientists:



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Dr. Achim A. Beylich (President), Dr. Katja Laute (Secretary), Professor Dr. Dieu Tien Bui (Representative for GeoNor members at Norwegian universities and additional Norwegian representative within GeoNorth), Dr. Benjamin Bellwald (Representative for GeoNor members at Norwegian research institutes (others than universities), and communication between the national geology/Quaternary geology, geography and cryospheric sciences communities in Norway), Dr. Louise M. Vick (Representative for GeoNor members at Norwegian universities), Professor Dr. Stefan Winkler (Representative for GeoNor members from outside Norway), and a national early career/young geomorphologists representative that will be selected as member of the GeoNor core group following an application procedure widely announced for early career/young geomorphologists in Norway.



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## Concrete activities of GeoNor include:

An active and frequently updated GeoNor website which serves as relevant information and communication platform for senior and early career members of GeoNor. The website will provide information on relevant scientific projects, relevant meetings, training courses, opportunities for exchange visits, etc. in Norway and outside Norway. Early career/young geomorphologists will be given their own space within this website.

The compilation of a bi-annual GeoNor newsletter. GeoNor members will be invited to submit contributions to the email-newsletter (e.g., information on research projects, training courses, workshops and seminars, exchange opportunities, etc.).

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The biennial organisation of national GeoNor meetings at varying field locations in Norway. At the varying meeting locations relevant ongoing research projects will be presented by GeoNor members and discussed within the group. The biennial GeoNor meetings will include scientific presentations from senior and early career scientists, extended scientific discussions, field excursions, and training courses for early career scientists.



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To each GeoNor meeting at least one senior and one early career representative of other Nordic geomorphology groups/communities and at least one international colleague (from outside the Nordic countries) with relevant published contributions on the geomorphology of Norway will be invited. The kick-off meeting of GeoNor will be organised in combination with the first GeoNorth meeting in Norway, 1-2 October 2020, and the first national GeoNor biennial meeting will be held in 2021.

## GeoNor initial core members:

### Dr. Achim A. Beylich

Geomorphological Field Laboratory (GFL), Selbustrand, Norway (**President**)

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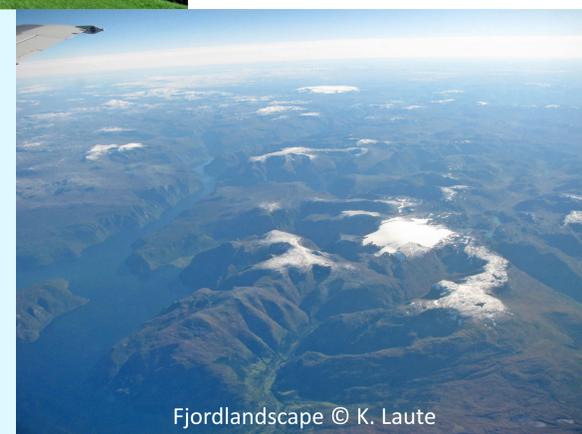
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National early-career/young geomorphologists representative



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