



GeoNorth and GeoNor business meeting (virtual meeting)

1 June 2021, 14:00 – 15:00 CEST

Meeting summary

Business meeting participants: Benjamin Bellwald (Norway), Achim A. Beylich (Norway), Verner Brandbyge Ernstsén (Denmark), Mikkel Fruergaard (Denmark), Katja Laute (Norway), Eliisa Lotsari (Finland), Gregor Lützenburg (Denmark), Lina Polvi (Sweden), Nils Rüter (Norway), Thorsteinn Sæmundsson (Iceland)

Welcome of business meeting participants

Achim A. Beylich welcomed all business meeting participants. In total ten participants participated in the business meeting. All five Nordic countries were represented at the business meeting: Denmark (three participants), Finland (one participant), Iceland (one participant), Norway (four participants), and Sweden (one participant).

Approval of the meeting agenda

The meeting agenda was presented by Achim A. Beylich and was approved by the meeting participants.

Letter by Ivar Berthling (NFR) and Bernd Etzelmüller (UiO) (27 January 2020) regarding GeoNor

Following the extended discussions on 15 April 2021 (GeoNorth and GeoNor business meeting on 15 April 2021) and 16 April 2021 (Zoom discussion meeting with Ivar Berthling, Achim A. Beylich, Bernd Etzelmüller and Paula Hilger) and various comments received from GeoNor and GeoNorth colleagues, Achim A. Beylich informed about the status of the preparation of a joint letter (letter signed by Ivar Berthling, Achim A. Beylich, Bernd Etzelmüller and Paula Hilger on 6 June 2021).

The joint letter shall clarify issues of the letter by Ivar Berthling (NFR) and Bernd Etzelmüller (UiO) sent on 27 January 2020 and calls for a formal meeting (for example during the upcoming Second GeoNorth and GeoNor Workshop, see below) to discuss a further formalization and expansion of the existing IAG NSM GeoNor, also by inviting and integrating more Norwegian geomorphologists.

Second GeoNorth and GeoNor Workshop

The Second GeoNorth and GeoNor Workshop will be organized as a virtual event on 30 September - 1 October 2021. The registration fee for this virtual event will be 250 NOK for senior participants and 100 NOK for PhD and Master students. The registration fees will be used to cover the annual IAG NSM affiliation fees to be paid to IAG (600 Euro per year for GeoNorth and 300 Euros per year for GeoNor).

In addition to scientific talks and posters, the workshop shall include a special session with video-presentations from field work carried out by workshop participants at different field sites.

The GeoNorth early-career geomorphologists will organize a networking session during the Workshop, including early career scientists from other countries.

The First Circular for the Workshop will be distributed through the GeoNorth/GeoNor mailing lists, website, twitter account, and through Geomorph-list in the end of June 2021. More detailed information on this upcoming Workshop will also be included in the GeoNorth Newsletter 1/2021 (June/July 2021) (see below).

35th Nordic Geological Winter Meeting, 5-7 January 2022, Reykjavík, Iceland

Thorsteinn Sæmundsson (Iceland) informed about the upcoming 35th Nordic Geological Winter Meeting to be held on 5-7 January 2022 in Reykjavík, Iceland. Detailed information on this Nordic Conference is available at https://jfi.is/ngwm_2022/.

GeoNorth shall be represented and presented (including a poster) during this conference.

GeoNorth newsletter, twitter account and website

Katja Laute informed about the upcoming GeoNorth Newsletter 1/2021 (June/July 2021) and the deadline for submission of contributions (20 June 2021).

The GeoNorth Newsletter, twitter account and website (Gregor Lützenburg) serve as important tools for sharing information and for facilitating communication, exchange and new possible collaborations. Different target groups can be reached by the different media.

Changes in the composition of GeoNorth national representatives for Finland

The following changes of the composition of GeoNorth national representatives for Finland were announced and confirmed: Jukka Käyhkö (Turku) steps down as the main national representative for Finland and passes this responsibility to Eliisa Lotsari (Aalto).

We welcome Joni Mäkinen (Turku) as new second national representative for Finland.

Next GeoNorth and GeoNor business meeting

The next IAG GeoNorth and GeoNor business meeting will be held during the Second GeoNorth and GeoNor Workshop on 30 September - 1 October 2021.

Achim A. Beylich will invite to this virtual business meeting in September 2021.

Selbustrand, 25 June 2021

Achim A. Beylich