



2. Board meeting – NHF - 2025

Time and date: March 7th, 11:30 – 12:15, Norwegian time

Location - Digital on Teams

Participants:

DENMARK: Sofie G. W. van't Veen (board member)

ESTONIA: Elve Lode (board member)

FINLAND: Anna-Kaisa Ronkanen (board member)

ICELAND: Andri Gunnarsson (deputy)

LATVIA: Liga Klints (deputy)

LITHUANIA: Diana Meilutyte-Lukaskiene (deputy)

NORWAY: Torill Engen Skaugen (board member) and Sjur Kolberg (deputy)

Absent:

FINLAND: Anna-Kaisa Ronkanen (board member)

SWEDEN: Jing Li (board member) She couldn't attend the meeting, but contacted Torill after the board meeting

Secretary – Heidi Lee (Norway)

Minutes

Item Nr.	Item
	Torill opened the meeting. The meeting was found to have a quorum since more than half of the board members (or a deputy in the absence of the board member) were represented in the meeting.
1	Nordic Hydrological Conference 2026 or 2027 Referring to the item 5 “Next NHC” discussed in the board meeting on 19th February 2025. Further discussion about whether the Nordic Hydrological Conference (NHC) should come back on track and be arranged in even years. It was decided that • NHC should come back on track and be held in even years • Latvia is willing to arrange the NHC in 2028 • General Assembly is going to be held in 2026



	Discussion about whether the NHC should be arranged in 2026. Finland has shown an interest to organize an event in 2026. Anna-Kaisa has contacted the Digital Waters flagship (Home - digitalwaters.fi) to hold a joint event (possibly as a NHC) with NHF in 2026. • The board is very pleased to hear that Finland would like to arrange NHC2026! However, we have some concerns that we would like to address: ○ Uncertainty in the format (big or small event, NHC or DIWA event in collaboration with NHF), also in order to have enough participants in 2026 after a full-scale NHC in 2025. ○ How the event is going to meet the “Principles of arranging NHC” (adjusted with the dates). The NHF board is to decide on the main title of the NHC. ○ Anna-Kaisa is asked to present a proposal / an overview how to arrange a NHC2026 in Finland, and how the event will meet the requirements to be labelled as a Nordic Hydrological Conference. Torill will contact Anna-Kaisa and ask for a proposal. The board decided to postpone the decision whether a NHC should be arranged in Finland 2026 to the next board meeting. The board will have a proposal from Finland and Anna-Kaisa attending the meeting. Board member from Sweden, Jing, contacted Torill after the board meeting. She agrees with all the decisions.
	Next board meeting will be held on 8 th April 2025.