



NORDISK HYDROLOGISK FORENING
Nordic Association for Hydrology

NHF-board meeting 2023, follow-up meeting from 2023-10-09

Place: online

Date: 2023-10-20 12:00-13:00 (CET time)

Present: Board members – Sofie G. W. van't Veen (Denmark), Elve Lode (Estonia), Tinna Þórarinsdóttir (Iceland), Līga Klints (Latvia), Vytautas Akstinas (Lithuania), Anne Ellekjær Stavang (Norway), Linus Zhang (Sweden), Eliisa Lotsari (Finland)

Treasurer – Martin Bergstrand (Sweden)

1. Opening, Organization of the meeting

Linus opened the meeting. Tinna will be a secretary for the meeting and write the meeting minutes. Minutes will be scrutinized by Anne.

2. Approval of the meeting agenda

The suggested agenda was approved.

3. Minutes from the previous board meeting

The minutes from the previous board meeting were approved.

4. *Hydrology Research* future planning

The involvement of more editors-in-chief was discussed again. As discussed at the last board meeting, IWA suggested that HR should expand to four editors-in-chief. The NHF board appoints chief-editor. It is therefore important that the board votes on this subject so that Linus and Björn can take the results and discuss it with IWA.

Linus has prepared an online poll with three different options from 1 to 3:

- 1) **Option 1**, One chief-editor appointed by NHF and IWA jointly; a number of subject-editors appointed by chief-editor and IWA. (This is the current situation).
- 2) **Option 2**, Four chief-editors, distributed geographically over the World.
- 3) **Option 3**, Two chief editors, one from Nordic countries and the other from our European partners organizations.

All board members vote, and the result is: Option 1 which got most votes, option 3 got second most votes and the option 2 got the least votes.

5. Nordic Hydrological Conferences NHC-2024

At the last board meeting Tinna suggested to postpone the conference until 3-5 June 2025 (as first choice) or to Nov 5-7 or 12-14, 2024 (as second choice). The board needs to vote on the dates/year of NHC-2024. Linus has prepared an online poll with four different options from 1 to 4:

- 1) **Option 1**, To postpone the NHC-2024 to June 2025. This option will have some impact on new Board member and chair-person election, which should be held during the General Assembly (in 2024).
- 2) **Option 2**, To hold the NHC-2024 in 2024, but during November.
- 3) **Option 3**, To hold the NHC-2024 in 2024, but during September.
- 4) **Option 4**, Any other options?

Eliisa mentioned that she and her colleagues had discussed this and would like to have it in November. Elve prefers to have it in June due to the winter weather conditions in Iceland. Martin thinks that it is possible to solve the GA online. There is discussion regarding the next country to host the conference. Linus will try to find a list with the countries and when they hosted the conference, in order to suggest which country should host the conference after Iceland.

The board votes in the online poll and the results are following: Option 1 has most of the votes. Option 3 got the second most votes (September 2024) and option 2 the third (November 2024). The board has therefore decided that the conference should be held in June 2025. We should aim to have a digital General Assembly during the summer, preferably August 2024. Details for digital General Assembly should be discussed at the next board meeting.

6. Other issues

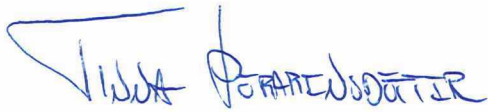
Linus asked Anne if she had already sent out the invoices for NHF in Norway. Linus asked Martin if he could check who has already paid the fees and let us know so that the board members can send out reminders if needed.

7. Next board meeting

Next meeting should be in mid December. We should try to discuss how to increase the number of members. We need to think about new candidate for chairman and if we need to replace ordinary members, deputy members etc. It is necessary to get the election committee to work on that.

8. Closing of the meeting

Linus closed the meeting at 13:00.

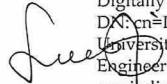


Tinna Þórarinsdóttir (Meeting secretary)



Anne Stavang (Scrutinizer)

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Linus Zhang (Meeting chair)

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