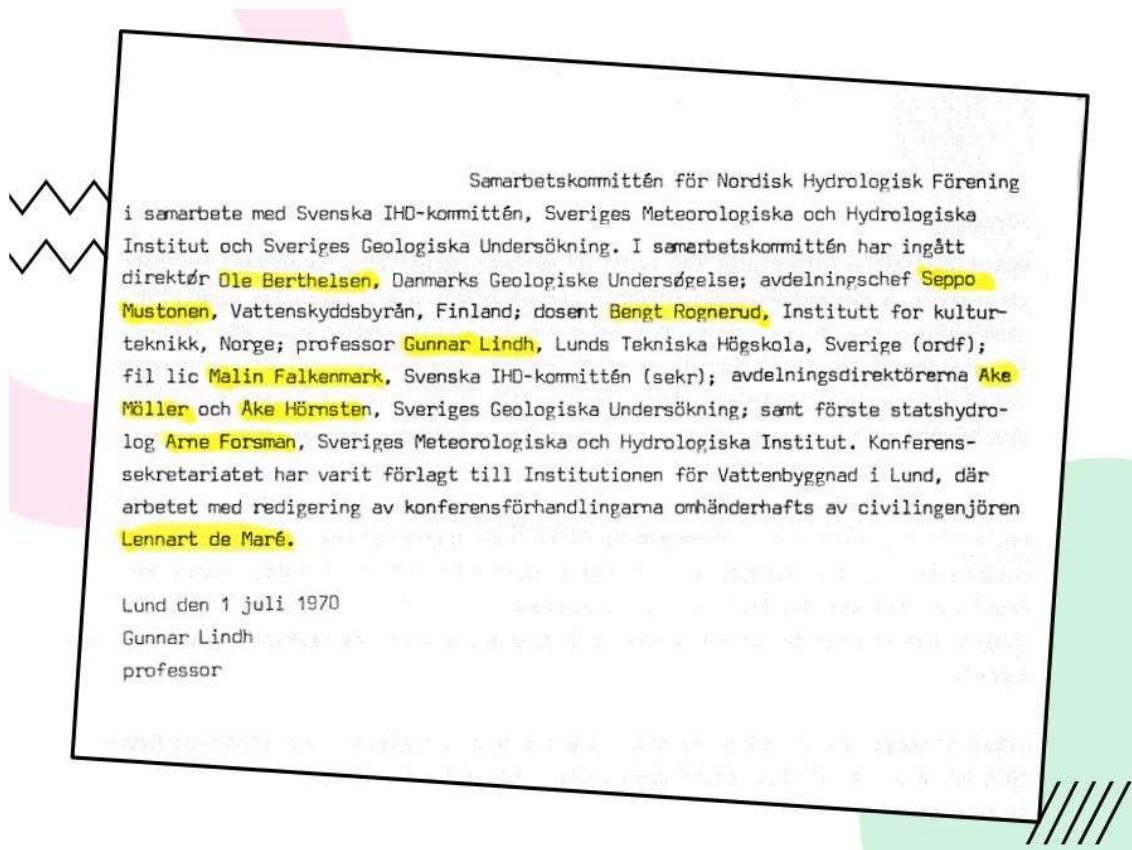


Chair's corner

Dear all:

After what the whole world has experienced since the start of Covid-19, everything is never the same as before. All of us have been affected by the pandemic in one or the other way, but the lives must go on so let do it and make it better!

I used to say that the world is full of challenges, it is unfortunately very true in line with the wide-spread of Covid-19 pandemic which caused the loss of many lives throughout the world. At the same time, water related challenges are a never-ending scenario for the human beings in terms of droughts, flooding, pollution and contamination, ecological degradation and of course general water shortage for many areas. Fortunately, our knowledge level to tackle these problems are also increasing for both Covid-19 and world water. A recent Nature article reported that there might be relationship between high risk of severe Covid-19 case and a genetic inheritance from Neanderthals in Europe (<https://rdcu.be/b71c0>). In the water sector, there are virus-risks incorporated with wastewater and even drinking water. However, I also read the exciting news that the future outbreak of virus such as Covid-19 can be predicted by detailed data comparison study of sewage water in our communities (<https://www.normandata.eu/?q=node/361>).



For NHF, this year is special: Year 2020 marks the 50th anniversary of Nordic Association for Hydrology (NHF)! Lund was the cradle of the association when Professor Gunnar Lindh declared

the committee work during the NHC conference (read what Prof. Lindh wrote in 1970 below). The formal establishment of NHF was at Stockholm at 1970-08-28. The best way to celebrate this anniversary commemorate pioneers for NHF and continue to promote the work they have started. Several celebrating events were planned for the 2020 Nordic Hydrological Conference in Tallinn, which has to be postponed. So, remember to celebrate with us in 2022!

After the XXX Nordic Hydrological Conference in Bergen two years ago, we have made a lot of efforts in both professional work and networking for the Association as well as the planning work for the coming NHC-2020 in Tallinn, Estonia. Due to the situation COVID-19, the planned NHC-2020 in Tallinn is postponed to 2022 and will be called NHC-2022 with the same venue. I would like to send my warm encourage and a sincere call for all interested researchers to pay attention and participate the NHC-2022.

Linus Zhang

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