

Minutes NDA Board Meeting on September 8th, 2022

Date: Thursday September 8th, 2022 at 14:00-16:00 CET

Place: Enterprise Hotel, Corso Sempione, 91, 20149 Milano MI, Italy

Present:

Denmark: Christian Vestergaard, Simon F. Thomsen, Tove Agner, Deirdre Nathalie Dufour.

Finland: Kaisa Tasanen-Määttä, Teea Salmi.

Norway: Katarina Zak Stangeland

Sweden: Anna Josefson, Iceland: Baldur Baldursson

On Zoom:

Finland: Teea Salmi, Katariina Hannula-Jouppi

Norway: Usha Hartgill, Iceland: Gisli Ingvarsson NDA Office: Agneta Andersson

Not present: Amra Osmancevic, Johan Dahlén Gyllencreutz, Gregor Jemec, Ditte Saunte and Petter

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Proposed agenda:

§1 Opening and welcome

The meeting was chaired by Christian, who wished everybody welcome.

§2 Minutes from NDA board meeting on Tuesday April19, 2022

The minutes already approved by e-mail.

§3 Economical report and budget for 2022

Katarina presented the treasurer's report and preliminary budget for 2022; the highlights being; Surplus from NCDV2022, 497 046 SEK, *Preliminary result of 2022 budget 404 731 SEK* and *Account balance* (31.12.2021) 1 688 004 SEK

§4 Website and Information to the Nordic dermato-venereologist

Layout and plan for new format was presented by Christian and Agneta (attached)

§5 Nordic courses – an update

Tove gave an update on the Nordic courses and the following courses have been confirmed for 2022/2023:

- -Skin surgery (Robert Gniadecki, John Paoli, Gregor B. Jemec, Copenhagen)
- -Dermoscopy (John Paoli, Gothenburg)
- -Laser (Merete Hædersdal, Copenhagen)

Upcoming courses for 2023:

- -What a dermatologist should as a minimum know about cosmeceuticals (fillers, lasers and more)", Katrine Karmisholt, Copenhagen. Application on the way.
- -"Skin of Colour". Maria Bradley has been contacted, she is very positive about a one-day course.
- -"Skin Immunology" Liv Eidsmo from Skin Immunology Centre, Copenhagen will be contacted by Christian (?)

Course on biostatistics has been turned down and is has not been possible to find a colleague who would like to conduct a course on pediatric dermatology.

On behalf of the NDA Education Committee Tove delivered an explicit and detailed summary on the requirements for specialization in the other Nordic countries (find attached)

Tove will step down as chair of the NDA education committee and proposed Laura Huilaja (Fi) as new chair. Laura has accepted to be new chair of the NDA educational committee. Thank you to Tove, for her persistent and thorough work within the NDA educational committee.

§6 2022 NDA Research Grants

Teea presented the 2022 NDA research grant of 80,000 SEK - to be given to one grantee or split between two grantees. PhD students, residents and postdocs may apply. Application opened on August 15th, 2022 with deadline for application October 16th, 2022. So far, we have received 3 applications.

§7 Updates from the national societies

Simon, Teea, Katarina, Gisli/ Baldur and Anna gave short updates on what is going on in Denmark, Finland, Norway, Island and Sweden

Sweden;

Anna once again informed on the Swedish situation: as a direct consequence of decision of Swedish health authorities; To accept 4-year practice (2.5 years for board-certified general practitioners) at private dermatology clinics as sufficient for being certified as a specialist in dermatology and venereology. Invariably, this will decrease the quality of future dermatologists and venereologists in Sweden – and is expected to affect the neighboring countries due to migration of this new category of Swedish specialists, expectedly primarily to the private and cosmetic sector.

Christian will formulate an official letter of concern from the NDA – addressing our worries on the situation and Anna will convey this letter to the Swedish Health authorities in order to facilitate a change in the Swedish rules. The issue will be discussed again at the next NDA board meeting.

§8 2025 Nordic Congress – update

Kaisa gave an update on the 2025 Nordic Congress in Helsinki, Finland

Date confirmed: May 6–9, 2025.

The local organizing committee is fully established, and location is booked; *Scandic Marina Congress*Center, in the center of Helsinki.

Set up of scientific program and lecture model was discussed.

§9 Proposal: NDA Electronic Newsletter

Christian's proposal for an electronic newsletter was discussed (find attached) and the work for this newsletter will proceed.

§10 Other issues

Report from NCDV 2022 - was presented

Christian presented the report from the NCDV 2022 in Copenhagen (attached) NCDV 2022 had 771 delegates, being the highest number to date, with representation from 21 countries. The congress presented more than 14 lectures and was all in all very positively evaluated by the delegates.

Also, the NCDV 2022 was an economically success ending up with a surplus.

Date and place for the next board meeting CPH airport, January 27 2023 (in the afternoon) More information to come.

Christian Vestergaard NDA President **Deirdre Nathalie Dufour** NDA Secretary General

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