

MINUTES - Meeting of the Congress Committee (NCC) Thursday 23 March 2023, 14:00-17:00

Participants: Jaana Franck (chair), Sanne Bernard, Anna Davelid, Berglind Gunnarsdóttir, Andreas Stomby, Olav Thorsen, Päivi Korhonen (taking minutes)

- 1. Opening and welcome by the Chair of the Committee Jaana Franck
- 2. Introduction of all members
- 3. Appointment of chair of the meeting: Jaana Franck
- 4. Appointment of person to take minutes of the meeting: Päivi Korhonen
- 5. Approval of agenda: approved.
- 6. Approval of minutes from previous meeting in 2022: approved.
- 7. **The role of NCC**: the draft for guidelines for the NCC was discussed and approved.
- 8. Report from the Norwegian members regarding the congress in Stavanger Norway 2022

Chair of the Organizing Committee NCGP2022, Olav Thorsen gave an overview of the 2022 congress in Stavanger. Congress planning was started 8 years before, booking of venues and preliminary program was made in 2018, master plan in 2019. Promotion of the congress started with stickers, handouts, and a stand in NCGP2019 in Aalborg. Covid-19 pandemic was a great challenge, and the congress was postponed from 2021 to 2022.

The 22nd NCGP was held from Tuesday 21st to Thursday 23rd June 2022. There were 862 participants from 21 countries (Denmark 306, Norway 211, Sweden 185, Finland 57, Iceland 51), 34 exhibitors. Pre-congress for young GPs was attended by 62 participants from 12 countries.

9. Report from the Finnish members regarding the congress in Turku Finland 2024

Chair of the Organizing Committee NCGP2024, Jaana Franck gave an update on NCGP2024 in Turku. The congress will be held from Wednesday 12th to Friday 14th June under the theme "General Practice – the bedrock of health care – Respecting the core values". Get together event will be on Tuesday evening, 11th June. Pre-congress for young GPs will be held on 10th – 11th June with the theme "Dare to be the change".

Co-operation with the congress office Aboa has started two years ago, the venue and hotel reservations have been made. Website ncgp2024.fi has been opened.

The chair of the Scientific Committee Päivi Korhonen displayed the program overview. Revertee lectures will focus on the Nordic Core Values of General Practice. Abstract submission time is from September 2023 to January 2024. The contents of the Opening and Closing ceremonies, and the timing of the SJPHC and Friederichs mindelegat ceremonies were discussed.

About 1,000 participants are expected and the planned registration fee is 750 euros, 500 euros for young GPs/residents of general practice. Promoting of the congress was discussed, and co-operation especially with the NCGP2026 organizers was planned.

10. Report from the Swedish members regarding the congress in Sweden 2026

Chair of the Organizing Committee Anna Davelid and Chair of the Scientific Committee Andreas Stomby informed about planning of NCGP2026. The congress will be held in Jönköping on 26–29 May 2026. The congress venue has been reserved and co-operation with the congress office has started well.

- 11. **Knowledge and PR sharing regarding Nordic congresses**: A decision was made to share information by e-mail about national congresses, journals, etc. to promote future congresses.
- 12. PR regarding Nordic congresses: see above
- **13. Definition of young doctors at Nordic congresses** was discussed and a proposition was made to executive board (EB) to shorten the definition time of a young GP.
- **14.** Next meeting in **2024**: to be decided by EB.
- 15. Any other business: no
- 16. Closing of the meeting