



Norwegian Forum for Global Health Research

Norwegian Forum for Global Health Research Meeting

Minutes

17 June 2022, 9:00-10:00 on Zoom meeting

Present

Members/substitutes: Anne Hatløy, Dawit Shawel Abebe, Mary Elizabeth Taylor, Hans Hadders, Ingeborg Haavardsson, Jon Øyvind Odland, Peter Hangoma, Turid Wæhler,

Observers: Karine Kålsås

Secretary: Shanshan Xu (minutes)

1) Approval of minutes from board meeting 20 May 2022

Minutes approved.

2) Discussion of the One Day Conference

Practical issues of the conference

Dawit will take the responsibility of practical arrangements (auditorium and food package) of the conference. Some keynote speakers might join the conference virtually, so it is likely that the conference will be a hybrid meeting. It is suggested that to combine the information of the keynote speakers, conference program together with the abstracts from the PhD conference in one book, and to involve more students in this conference. Forum will take this into consideration in the further announcements and advertisement of the conference.

Scientific content of the conference

Topic 1: Climate change, food security and impact for health

Suggested keynote speaker / panellist:

- i. **Anne Beate Tvinnerheim**, Utvklingsminister (veldig opptatt av matsikkerhet)
- ii. **Linley Karlton**, Associate Professor, Sveriges Landbruksuniversitet.
<https://www.slu.se/en/ew-cv/linley-chiwona-karltun/>
- iii. **Ruth Haug**, Professor, NMBU. <https://www.nmbu.no/ans/ruth.haug>

Topic 2: Climate change and maternal-child health

Suggested keynote speaker / panellist:

- i. **Hely Katariina Laine**, Obstetrician-gynaecologist, Associate Professor, UiO, Oslo University Hospital. <https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Katariina-Laine>, <https://www.med.uio.no/klinmed/personer/vit/katariil/index.html>
- ii. **Sukhjet Bains**, PhD, UiO. Trial lecture: "Maternal and child health and care in the era of climate change and environmental degradation".



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<https://www.med.uio.no/helsam/english/research/news-and-events/events/trial-lectures/2022/bains-sukhjeet.html>

Topic 3: Climate change, technology and global health

Suggested keynote speaker / panellist:

- i. **Josef Noll**, Department of Technology Systems, UiO.
<https://www.mn.uio.no/its/english/people/aca/inoll/>

Topic 4: Climate change and occupational Health

Suggested keynote speaker / panellist:

- i. **Tord Kjellstrøm**, a prominent epidemiologist, Swedish, living in New Zealand. His main concern has been LMIC in general and the Pacific situation as a New Zealand citizen. Member of the UN panels on climate, many years work in WHO. <https://ghhin.org/people/tord-kjellstrom/>
- ii. **George Havenith**, Professor, Environmental Ergonomics Research Centre, Loughborough University, UK.
<https://www.lboro.ac.uk/departments/lds/staff/academic/george-havenith.html>
- iii. **Ollie Jay**, Professor, Heat and Health Research Centre, The University of Sydney, Australia. <https://www.sydney.edu.au/medicine-health/about/our-people/academic-staff/ollie-jay.html#collapseprofileprojects>
- iv. **Ågot Aakra**, Område for klima og miljø - ledelse og stab, FHI.
<https://www.fhi.no/en/about/departments-and-centres/omrade-for-klima-og-miljo---ledelse-og-stab/agot-aakra/>
- v. **Jorid Kalseth**, SINTEF Digital Health. <https://www.sintef.no/alle-ansatte/ansatt/jorid.kalseth/>
- vi. **Erlend Tuseth Aasheim**, avdelingsdirektør, Helsedirektoratet

*Forum has formally invited Tord Kjellstrøm and George Havenith as keynote speakers in the topic of occupational health. Tord Kjellstrøm is also the best introductory speaker, with his background in UN, WHO, and Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC).

Topic 5: Climate change, migration and health

Dawit will find the relevant speakers for this topic.

Suggested keynote speaker / panellist:

- i. **Esperanza Diaz**, Professor, UiB.
<https://www.uib.no/en/persons/Esperanza.Diaz.Perez>



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The One Health concept will be covered by all topics of this conference, we can use One Health concept in the introduction of the conference. Forum needs to develop good strategy to make this conference more engaging and interactive. For the ending of the conference, one suggestion is that Forum invite young people to ask difficult questions to the "heavier" speakers. Forum should also take the speakers from global south into account. Forum will start to advertise the conference at beginning of next semester.

Jon Øyvind, as chair, will contact the relevant speakers before summer with the aim to present a preliminary program at the next board meeting in August.

3) Any other business

Forum will prepare the concept note of the conference to the working group in Global Health Norway.

4) Next Meeting

The next board meeting will be held on week 34, **Friday 26 August 2022 13:00** on Zoom.