



Norwegian Forum for Global Health Research

Agenda

September 29, 2017, 12 – 13

Present:

Turid Austin Wæhler
Eirik Vikum
Johanne Sundby
Elisabeth Darj
Sigurd Røtnes
Elin Dvergsdal
Ingvar Evjen Olsen
Sheri Lee Bastien
Stine Hellum Braathen
Kristin Braa
Karine Kålsås
Gunilla Kulla
Ingvild Hope
Bente E. Moen
Gunhild Koldal

46/17 Approval of agenda

-Added points:

-Appointment of participant to Festmih board meeting

-Choice of other meeting day than Friday

-Date for next meeting

-Forum conference

Agenda approved

47/17 Approval of minutes from 8 September 2017 (Attachment 1)

Minutes approved

48/17 Working group for changing the Statutes for Forum (Attachment 2)

The Statutes for Forum will be presented to the next General Assembly as they are now.

49/17 Information on Global Health Norway, by Bente Moen and Ingvild Hope

-There is ongoing work to construct a webpage for the network, and central actors in Norway have been contacted to supply content.

-The working group for Global Health Norway (GHN) will meet on October 9th; the Revised Forum Statutes will be presented there; to discuss the organisation of GHN

-The official opening of Global Health Norway takes place in Bergen December 6. Bente Moen asks for advice from the Forum board to suggest speakers for the day. Stig Slørdal was suggested – Elin is asked to help with the communication. J.A Røttingen, maybe



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Karine can help. Trygve Ottesen was suggested (FHI, UiO?) Bente will make a small explanatory text the board members can use when they approach relevant speakers; and contacts the relevant persons next week.

50/17 Update from the SDG working group, (Johanne Sundby, Sheri Lee Bastien, Ingvar T. Olsen and Jan Sigurd Røtnes) (Attachment 4)

Sigurd Røtnes, Ingvar Olsen and Eirik Vikum met on September 21 to discuss the role of the Forum in working on SDGs. See enclosed note.

Sigurd Røtnes started the discussion, and has asked for written input from the board members. Some of the discussion touched on where to focus the effort. Whether it should be a broad approach, or a focus on specific SDG points on health. It varies how much the SDG's have been discussed in the different institutions. One suggestion was to make a hearing around "Leaving no one behind".

Each of the Forum members are asked to write a comment and send to Røtnes by October 15. The group then revises the document, and it will be discussed shortly in the board meeting 29/11. The document should be ready to be presented in Tromsø on January 22.

51/17 Plans for meeting in Tromsø in January 22, 2018. (Attachment 5)

Centre for Arctic and Global Health has sent a concept note with a preliminary program. The Forum Boards annual meeting is planned for Monday January 22. We will then join the seminar. The Forum will host a dinner for board members and guests in the evening Monday.

The secretariat has reserved 20 hotel rooms from Monday 22 to Tuesday 23 of January. **You have to confirm your booking within November 24.** The hotel is [Clarion Collection Hotel Aurora](#) THIS IS IMPORTANT as there is a Film festival in Tromsø in this week, and you are not likely to get at hotel room if you order late.

If you want to arrive Sunday and or leave Wednesday, please contact the secretariat.

52/17 Short information from each participant on topics of interest

- *UiO arranges seminars (H. Rosling memorial) and meeting series with SUM this autumn*
- *Norad will host expert meeting on sexual education.*
- *NTNU: [Global helsedag](#), October 24, all are welcome to attend*
- *NTNU: The national research school has one ongoing course in systematic review now. Will arrange another course in scientific writing later this year. Has been on a successful trip to Copenhagen. Is writing annual report to Globvac. All should encourage the PhD-candidates who are not a member yet, to sign up.*
- *HDir: [EDCTP](#) has a narrow focus, but might expand. Very interesting for the Forum.*
 - *RCN: Arranges workshops this autumn. Many relevant calls for funding in H2020. In Oslo October 26 and Bergen October 30. RCN wants candidates for*



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*three awards for young researchers (under 38). Karine sends link to Bente.
Deadline for submitting candidates: October 15.*

53/17 AOB

- *Turid Austin Wæhler and Elisabeth Darj will attend the Festmih board meeting in Antwerp, October 18, as representatives for Forum*
- *The next Forum conference (with FHI and UiO as partners) will be held 10-11 April, 2018 in Oslo. The concept note and cluster topics are soon finished, and will be sent around next week. There will be nine sessions. Information about the conference will be published on the new Global Health Norway webpage.*
- *The next two meetings will take place on Wednesdays; October 25 and November 29. We test out how it works to have meetings on another day than Friday.*
- ***Next meeting, Wednesday October 25, 1200-1300***