



# Norwegian Forum for Global Health Research

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### Draft minutes

13 November 2019: 12:00 to 13:00

Present: Frode Forland, Andrea Winkler, Katerini Storeng, Elin Yli Dvergsdahl (observer, NRS GH), Bente E. Moen, Gunhild Koldal (minutes)

**74/19 Approval of agenda**  
Agenda approved with corrections. Item 75/19, minutes from October 16, not September 11.

**75/19 Approval of minutes from board meeting October 16 (Attachment 1)**  
Approved with the a few corrections in the short report from the members:  
*-the world is ill prepared for the next pandemic.*  
*Running Lancet commission on health security – health promotion – universal health coverage.*

**76/19 Follow up of the “Stortingshøring”**  
[Link to hearing](#) Forum presentation 1 hour 7 minutes in, answer to questions 10 min later  
[Kronikk Bistandsaktuelt](#) (Norwegian)

The cooperation ahead of the hearing was a very nice experience and the board contributed to a well prepared text to be presented. After the hearing, Frode and Katerini used the opportunity to talk to politicians from KRF and SV and to invite the minister of international development to open the Globvac conference.

Andrea and Frode will try to set up a meeting with the state secretary at the Ministry of Health and Care Services Maria Jahrman Bjerke as a follow up. The ministry expressed interest in Globvac2020, and wanted to be on the programme.

It is also possible to build on meetings held in Berlin at the World Health Summit.

Bergen will ask Global Health Norway to disseminate the chronicle on their webpage and social media.

The information about this hearing came very late to our attention. Forum needs to make a plan to be informed about meetings and occasions where we need to be visible.

Elin informed about the Woman Health arrangement in Trondheim on November 5. Elisabeth Darj used the opportunity to discuss funding for global health research, primarily on mother and child health with the minister for health, Bent Høie. Elisabeth wanted to follow up on this with a letter to the minister, and the Forum board is happy to assist.

**77/19 Relation to Global Health Norway (Attachment 2)**  
Note presented to Global Health Norway arbeidsutvalg 23/10/19 (Norwegian)



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This note will be on the agenda for the Global Health Norway board meeting. The GHN arbeidsutvalg made it very clear that Forum is a part of GHN. Forum needs to check their own statutes to see whether this is clear, or if the statutes need to be amended at the next General Assembly.

The Forum board found the note to be precise and cover the main points that has been discussed earlier. One comment under "Need for funding" was that the sums mentioned were too modest.

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## **Status Globvac2020**

The website has been launched: <https://globvac2020.com> with call for symposia and oral/poster presentations. Deadline is January 10 and registration opens January 1. Members of the scientific committee are welcome to submit their own symposia. Twitter: @GVac2020  
Please spread the info in your environment.

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## **Updated activity plan for Forum (Attachment 3)**

If you have any activities you want shown in the plan, please send to Gunhild or Bente.

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## **Membership campaign (Brochure - Attachment 4)**

Bente suggests sending out a pdf of the brochure together with a text inviting people to become a Forum member. In this email, she will include links to the chronicle in Bistandsaktuelt and a link to the hearing. Every member of the board will get this email to send to their networks.

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## **Short information from the board members/observers**

**Elin:** NRSRGH – running activities. Courses are held as planned.  
See webpage: <https://www.ntnu.edu/nrsg>

### **Andrea:** Activities in Oslo

- Next week Lancet count down on climate change
- Launch of Norway's strategy "Better Health, Better Lives – Combating Non-Communicable diseases in the Context of Norwegian Development Policy 2020-2024" November 22
- Tore Godal honorary seminar
- Upcoming travel to Tanzania – organize conference there on NCD – One Health

She is invited to Berlin together with Frode in December to monitor Global Health Initiative at Robert Koch Institut. Good opportunity to connect with the German environment in global health research.

### **Frode:**

Asked to develop background paper?  
Vulnerability of inner cities? (the sound was a bit scratchy here)  
International institution cooperation in Addis  
He is also part to the Tore Godal seminar.

**Katerini:** -has just finished a very successful conference in New York  
-Global Health Unpacked arrangement 14/11  
-has a Special issue coming out



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**Bente:** -UiB Centre for International Health is host for ECTMIH2021, and the website is launched: <https://ectmih2021.no/>

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**Next meeting**

Wednesday 11 December 12-13 on Skype for Business.

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**AOB**

Next meeting we will ask for contributions to a newsletter. If you have any information you would like to have in the newsletter, you can let us know then.