



# NORDISKA KOMMISSIONEN FÖR GEODESI

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## MINUTES

### 56<sup>th</sup> NKG PRESIDIUM MEETING

31<sup>st</sup> August, 2014 at Chalmers University of Technology, Göteborg, Sweden.

#### **Item 1) Opening of the meeting**

Niels welcomed us all, especially Reidunn and Matthew. Unfortunately some presidium members were not able to participate due to other commitments or delayed flights. Niels also thanked Lantmäteriet and Chalmers for the preparations for the meeting as well as for the NKG General Assembly.

#### **Item 2) Approval of the agenda**

The agenda that was sent out before the meeting was accepted.

#### **Item 3) Approval of the Minutes from NKG Presidium meeting No 55**

The minutes from the last meeting was accepted. As soon as the NKG web page is functioning the minutes will be uploaded.

#### **Item 4) NKG General Assembly 2014**

The meeting was informed by Mikael, Jan and Jonas about the upcoming NKG General Assembly. About 100 persons have registered to the NKG General Assembly with also another twenty people coming for the joint seminar on September 3. The whole event will take place at Chalmers Conference Centre. The Scientific Committee has prepared an interesting program with something like 77 abstracts. It will be a nice mixture of oral presentations and posters.

Regarding the NKG Proceedings, we have been offered to publish a special issue of Journal of Geodetic Science from Lars Sjöberg (KTH). Lantmäteriet is also preparing a LM-report as proceeding. The deadline for submitting material to both papers would be 30 November. All details regarding the special issue is not settled yet but we are hoping on a number of submitted papers that will be reviewed. However, there is a suggestion for editor of the issue and that is Mehdi Eshagi. Jonas, as chair of the scientific committee, will discuss the details with Lars and Mehdi during the General Assembly.

A resolution committee will be organised and considerations of resolutions for the coming General Assembly are welcome. The Presidium will suggest the following participants to the committee; Martin Lidberg (Sweden and Chair); Kristian Keller (Denmark), Thorarinn Sigurdsson (Iceland), Per-Christian Bratheim (Norway) and Pasi Häkli (Finland). Martin will be asked to introduce the resolution committee and why we need resolutions during the General Assembly.



A lengthy discussion took place regarding NKG Working groups and their current and future chairmen. It is clear that we need to work more on the key words regarding the four working groups and the current working groups chairs are asked to thoroughly go through the list. Especially the discussion concerned the working group on *Geodetic Infrastructure*. It was clear that several of the Nordic countries need a RTK-forum for positioning services managers. We also need a forum to discuss active stations, their maintenance and stability. Note: during the NKG GA the working group on Geodetic Infrastructure was renamed to Positioning and Navigation and the working group on Reference Frame, Positioning and Navigation was renamed to Reference Frame.

As a conclusion from the discussions, the Working group chairs are asked to sharpen the profiles of the working groups and try not to cover all subjects. If necessary, the Presidium could use task force when necessary if there is an area that is missing.

Regarding working group chairs, it seems as if the countries would like to nominate the following;

- Geoid and Height systems: Jonas Ågren
- Geodynamics: Matthew Simpson
- Positioning and Navigation: Per Knudsen
- Reference Frame: Pasi Häkli

Regarding NKG Presidium for the period 2014-18, the countries will nominate the following members

- i) Norway: Per-Erik, Torbjørn
- ii) Sweden: Mikael, Jan
- iii) Finland: Jarkko, Markku
- iv) Iceland: Gudmundur, Thorarinn
- v) Denmark: Niels, Kristian

The working group chairs are also members of the NKG presidium.

## **Item 5) Other Business**

- **NKG Web site:** The problems that we have discussed before still continues. Unfortunately, Markku is not present but Pasi informed that FGI is trying to find a solution. The main issue is security reasons concerning the IT-solution. Markku has tried to move the issue forward since last meeting. Niels will contact Markku to discuss possible solutions. One solution that was proposed by Niels is that DTU take over the webpage. DTU runs several external webpages already and is willing to take over the NKG web site but Niels would like to discuss different solutions with Markku first.

## **Item 6) Next meeting of the Presidium**

- 57<sup>th</sup> Presidium Meeting; September 4, 2014, Göteborg, Sweden
- 58<sup>th</sup> Presidium Meeting; November 25-26, 2014, Finland



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## Present:

Denmark: Niels Andersen, DTU Space (Chair)  
Per Knudsen, DTU Space  
Kristian Keller, GS

Finland: Pasi Häkli, FGI

Norway: Torbjørn Nørbech, Kartverket  
Reidunn Kittelsrud, Kartverket  
Matthew Simpson, Kartverket

Sweden: Mikael Lilje, LM (Secretary)  
Jan Johansson, Chalmers  
Jonas Ågren, LM

## Apologies

Denmark: Lola Bahl, GS

Finland: Jarkko Koskinen, FGI  
Markku Poutanen, FGI

Iceland: Gudmundur Valsson, LMI  
Thorarinn Sigurdsson, LMI

Norway: Dagny Lysaker, Kartverket  
Per-Erik Opseth, Kartverket  
Anne Jörgensen, Kartverket