

INTERNATIONAL BIOMETRIC SOCIETY – NORDIC-BALTIC REGION
(IBS-NBR)

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Dear Colleagues,

here are some updates on the activity in our region according to the following:

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1. The new Nordic-Baltic Region of IBS (IBS-NBR).

Welcome to the first bulletin of the Nordic-Baltic Region of IBS (IBS-NBR) which was effective from the 1 January 2011. The regional by-laws can be found on the regional website at: http://www.ibsnr.org/IBSNBR_By-Laws.pdf . According to these, the Baltic countries shall have one representative each in the regional council (RC). Thus the RC consists of the Regional Executive Committee (REC) from Norway (Geir Egil Eide (president), Anne Marie Fenstad (secretary) and Ågot Irgens (treasurer)) together with the national representatives of respectively Denmark: Jens Henrik Badsberg (Copenhagen), Estonia: Krista Fischer (Tartu), Finland: Hyon-Jung Kim-Ollila (Oulu), Iceland: Thor Aspelund (Kopavogur), Lithuania: Rima Kregzdyte (Kaunas), Norway: Magne Thoresen (Oslo) and Sweden: Lennart Norell (Uppsala) and, the Nordic-Baltic representatives in the General Council of IBS: Tom Britton (Sweden) and Esa Läärä (Finland). At the moment we have no members from Latvia. A first meeting in the expanded RC is planned at the 3rd NBBC in Turku.

2. The 3rd NBBC in Turku 2011: Latest news.

The 3rd Nordic-Baltic Biometric Conference (NBBC11) will take place in Turku, Finland 5-9 June 2011. The Scientific Program Committee (SPC) chaired by Krista Fischer and Local Organizing Committee (LOC) chaired by Jukka Corander have already found a great number of scientific and cultural treats for those who will attend the conference. Details can be found on the conference website

<http://www.nbbc11.utu.fi/>.

It can be mentioned that there will be a pre-conference course on spatial statistics, key note lectures by Odd O. Aalen (Oslo) and David Balding (London) and special sessions on meta-analysis, models and surveillance of infectious disease, spatial extremes/extremes in weather and climate, bioinformatics and study designs in epidemiology. Topped by a steamboat-trip on Monday and conference dinner at the Turku Castle on Wednesday this is an event you should not miss!

And, as an IBS member you get a reduced participation fee!

3. Forthcoming events of interest

20110605-09

- 3rd Nordic-Baltic Biometric Conference, Turku, Finland:
<http://www.nbbc11.utu.fi/>

20110615-16

- NordicEpi Conference, Reykjavik, Iceland

20110821-25

- 32nd Annual Conference of the International Society for Clinical Biostatistics, Ottawa, Canada:
http://www.iscb2011.info/00-welcome_e.shtml

20120819-23 ISCB33 Bergen, Norway

20120826-31 26th International Biometric Conference, Kobe, Japan

4. Account 2010

International Biometric Society Nordic Region

Account 2010

Income

Membership fees*	26260,53 NOK	
	Honorary (1)	
	Senior(3)	
	Regular (55)	
	Base rate(44)	
	Biometrics(10)	
	JABES(0)	
	Biometrics and JABES(5)	
Refund IBS due to firm membership	4141,75 NOK	
Transferral of surplus from Tartu Conference	37509,60 NOK	

Expenditure

Domain name for IBS_NR's Web page	570,00 NOK	
Poster Allkopi	1061,51 NOK	
Support IBS (\$2000)	13378,00 NOK	
Transferral of membership fee to IBS(\$360)	2141,28 NOK	
Transferral of membership fee to IBS(\$3220)	21068,46 NOK	
Administration	3374,50 NOK	
Interest and Bank fee	1814,40 NOK	

	67911,88 NOK	43408,15 NOK
Surplus 2010	-24503,73 NOK	

Balance **43408,15 NOK** **43408,15 NOK**

Reserves:

Balance - transferral from previous year (2009) 175917,04 NOK

Surplus 2010 24503,73 NOK

2010 **200420,77 NOK**

Bergen 25.01.2010

Ågot Irgens (sgn)
Treasurer IBS_NBR

5. Members according to country per 1 April 2011.

Denmark: 13

Estonia: 3

Finland: 22
Iceland: 2
Latvia: 0
Lithuania: 2
Norway: 11
Sweden: 6
Total: 59

We encourage all IBS members in the Nordic and Baltic countries to submit news, comments or other relevant stuff for the bulletin to the secretary Anne.Marie.Fenstad@Helse-Bergen.No.

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