

Nordic Congress in Dermato-Venereology in Trondheim 2016

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The Norwegian Society of Dermatology and Venereology will host the 33rd Nordic congress in dermatology and venereology in Trondheim on April 27–29, 2016. Make a note in your calendar!

Nordic cooperation is important for dermatology and venereology in all the Nordic countries. Since the founding of Nordic Dermatology Association in 1910, 32 Nordic congresses in dermatology and venereology have been held regularly, the latest in Tampere, Finland, in 2013. Although European organizations in dermatology and venereology, such as European Academy of Dermatology and Venereology (EADV), have been established and become important, there is still a need for Nordic cooperation. With our common cultural, historic and political background and shared values and way of thinking, dermatologists and venereologists in the Nordic countries should cooperate more – not less.

The Nordic Dermatology Association board has decided to hold the next Nordic congress in dermatology and venereology in Trondheim, Norway. Trondheim is an attractive city with excellent facilities, an enthusiastic dermatology staff at its university hospital, and easy to reach by plane with direct flights from both Copenhagen, Stockholm and, of course, Oslo.

The planning of the congress is well underway. The congress is planned for April 27–29, 2016. Kristin Ryggen, chairperson

of the Department of Dermatology at St. Olav's Hospital, is the Congress President, and Marit Saunes the Secretary General. An organizing committee is established with two sub-committees, including a scientific committee.

The program is planned to run from lunchtime on Wednesday to lunchtime on Friday with plenty of time set aside for collegial interaction and visits to exhibitors. In addition to plenary lectures by 6–7 leading Nordic and non-Nordic speakers, we plan to have two parallel lines of sessions on specific topics. We hope to introduce more interactive sessions in order to increase interest and learning experience of the meeting.

Hywel Williams, Nottingham, *Günther Hofbauer*, Zürich, *Magne Nylenna*, Oslo and *Per Helsing*, Oslo, have already accepted our invitation to give plenary lectures, and more will follow. The preliminary plans for the congress will be presented and discussed at the next Nordic Dermatology Association board meeting in Amsterdam on October 8th, 2014.

More information will follow.



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