

Nordic researchers meeting – first call January 14<sup>th</sup> 2021

Invitation to  
*Frontiers in Nordic Sociology of Religion*  
Nordic researchers' meeting, June 7-8 2021, Uppsala, Sweden

**Background**

The 25<sup>th</sup> Nordic Conference on Sociology of Religion was planned to take place in Gothenburg 2020, but is postponed to 2022 due to the Corona pandemic. The aim of the Nordic researchers meeting 7-8 June 2021 is dual; *firstly* to provide an opportunity for Nordic researchers in sociology of religion to meet and update knowledge about what is going on in the respective countries, and *secondly* to constitute a new Nordic Association for the Sociology of Religion. This new organisation will be the responsible body for the biannual Nordic Conference on Sociology of Religion (NCSR) and the Nordic Journal of Religion and Society (NJRS). The meeting in June is planned to be organized as a physical meeting if that is possible with regard to the pandemic situation, otherwise it will be a digital meeting. Decision will be made at the latest by March 31<sup>st</sup> 2021.

**Main content**

The main part of the meeting will consist of 60 minute reports from Denmark, Finland, Norway and Sweden (and possibly Iceland) followed by 30 minutes for questions/discussion. The reports are expected to present: a) ongoing and planned research, projects etc., b) other information, news, activities etc. of common interest. Additionally each country is asked to c) make a list of recent publications to be sent out before the meeting and d) to bring selected publications for display if the meeting will be physical.

**Time and place**

Monday June 7<sup>th</sup> 12.00 – Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> 15.00 at Uppsala University, Engelska Parken Campus (Possibly a special doctoral students meeting Tuesday 15.00-17.00, see programme below)

**Cost, travel, accommodation, registration**

The plan is to make the meeting free of charge. Each participant books and pay for travel and accommodation. Details about the form of meeting (physical or digital), registration etc. will be sent out in *a second call at the latest March 31<sup>st</sup>*, via the same email lists as this first call and also published on CRS website [www.crs.uu.se](http://www.crs.uu.se)

*The meeting is hosted by*

Centre for Multidisciplinary Research on Religion and Society (CRS) at Uppsala University  
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*Preparatory group*

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## **Preliminary programme**

*Monday June 7<sup>th</sup>*

- 12.00 Lunch
- 13.00 Welcome, introduction
- 13.15 ***Report from Denmark***
- 14.45 Coffee break
- 15.15 ***Report from Finland***
- 16.45 Break
- 17.00 **Meeting for the constitution of the *Nordic Association for the Sociology of Religion (NASR)***
- 18.00 Buffet dinner

*Tuesday June 8<sup>th</sup>*

- 09.00 ***Report from Norway***
- 10.30 Coffee break
- 11.00 ***Report from Sweden***
- 12.30 Lunch
- 13.30 ***Frontiers in Nordic Sociology of Religion***  
Panel discussion on present and future of Nordic Sociology of Religion.  
One representative from each Nordic country.  
5 minutes input from each panellist followed by common discussion including all participants, led by a moderator.
- 14.30 End of general meeting  
Coffee on the go
- 15.00-17.00 Special meeting for Nordic doctoral students (will be arranged if a number of students show interest by email as soon as possible to: Mia Lövheim [mia.lovheim@teol.uu.se](mailto:mia.lovheim@teol.uu.se) )