

# Rare Diseases and Nordic Countries – Present and Future Prospects

**Webinar 12 November 2021**

**11.00 – 15.00** (UTC+2)

Registration by 7 November 2021:

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## Welcome and Introduction

**11.00-11.10**

Ritva Halila, Ministry of Social Affairs and Health, Finland

Satu Wedenoja, Finnish Institute for Health and Welfare

## FIRST SESSION (11.10 – 13.00)

### European Reference Networks (ERNs), Orphanet and Nordic Cooperation

Chair: Helena Kääriäinen, Finnish Institute for Health and Welfare

**11.10-11.40**

#### Role of small countries and collaboration between ERN members

Birute Tumiene, Vilnius University Hospital Santaros Klinikos, Lithuania

**11.40-12.10**

#### Integration of ERNs to healthcare in Nordic countries: can we learn from each other?

Mikko Seppänen, Rare Disease Center, Helsinki University Hospital, Finland

**12.10-12.15**

#### ERNs and patient perspective

Saija Ristolainen-Kotimäki, Finnish Huntington Association, European Huntington Association

**12.15-12.30**

#### Can we reach RD patients from national registries with ICD-10?

Satu Wedenoja, Finnish Institute for Health and Welfare

**12.30 -12.50**

#### ORPHAcodes in Norway

Stein Are Aksnes and Linn Björnstad, Oslo University Hospital, Norway

**12.50-13.00**

#### Discussion

## **BREAK**

## **SECOND SESSION (13.30 – 15.00)**

### **Knowledge Sharing and Inclusion in Nordic Countries**

Chair: Birthe Byskov Holm, Rare Diseases Denmark

#### **13.30 -14.10**

##### **Supporting inclusion in the Nordic context**

Rebecca Tvedt Skarberg, The Rare2030 Panel of Experts, Norway

#### **14.10 -14.40**

##### **Crosstalk between Nordic countries – how to find best practices together**

Introduction by Carita Åkerblom, The Finnish Network for Rare Diseases

Panel discussion

Stein Are Aksnes, Oslo University Hospital, Norway

Katri Asikainen, Harso ry, Finland

Stephanie Juran, Rare Diseases Sweden

Helena Kääriäinen, Finnish Institute for Health and Welfare

#### **14.40-14.55**

##### **National coordination and the support of inclusion**

Satu Wedenoja, Finnish Institute for Health and Welfare

## **Conclusions**

#### **14.55-15.00**

Satu Wedenoja, Finnish Institute for Health and Welfare

## Registration and Webinar Link

Open for clinicians, patients, authorities, and all who are interested in rare diseases.

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Webinar link will be sent via e-mail to those registered on 8 November.