

# Bylaws

## STATUTES OF THE ASSOCIATION OF THE NORDIC CANCER REGISTRIES (ANCR)

### 1. Definition

The Association of the Nordic Cancer Registries is the cooperative organ for the national cancer registries of Denmark, Finland, Iceland, Norway and Sweden.

### 2. Object

The object of the Association is to provide a continuing, organized framework for the activities of the Nordic cancer registries, to facilitate exchange of both scientific and technical information, to contribute to the uniformity of definitions used by the registries, and to facilitate the organization of inter-Nordic studies and studies proposed by international organizations and various groups or individuals.

### 3. Administration

A Board of Directors administrates the work of the Association. Each country appoints two persons to represent the country in the Board of Directors. The appointed persons shall be in leading position, preferably representing medical, epidemiological and statistical fields.

### 4. Non-voting-members

In case regional registries are founded within any of the Nordic countries one representative from each country as well as a representative from each autonomous area within the five member countries is eligible to participate in the meetings of the Board of Directors. *In addition, one individual representing all cancer clinical cancer register in each member country is eligible to participate as a non-voting member of the ANCR Board of Directors.\**

### 5. Board Meetings

An annual Ordinary Board Meeting of the Board of Directors is held in the five Nordic countries in turn. The Board of Directors can decide to hold other Board Meetings during the year.

### 6. Chairman/Secretary

The Chairman and Secretary are the two persons from the country responsible for the annual Ordinary Meeting. Change of the Chairman and Secretary takes place at the close of the annual Ordinary Meeting.

### 7. Ad hoc committees

The Board of Directors can appoint ad hoc committees.

### 8. Reports

The minutes of the Meeting of the Board of Directors shall be circulated prior to the next meeting and be approved by that meeting.

### 9. Legal signing

The Chairman and Secretary jointly, or two of the other members of the Board of Directors, duly authorized by the Board of Directors, shall sign for the Association.

### 10. Symposium

The registry of the country in which the Ordinary Meeting is scheduled to take place should organize a symposium on the epidemiology of cancer and/or problems in registration for purposes of education and activation of cancer epidemiology in the Nordic countries. This symposium will be held in association with the Ordinary Meeting.

### 11. Costs

The costs of the Secretariat and of the Ordinary Meetings of the Association shall be borne in full by the cancer registry of the host country. Travel and accommodation costs of the participants in the meetings shall not, however, be included in these costs.

## **12. Changes of Statutes**

The change of these Statutes can take place at a Board Meeting, if unanimously agreed by the five countries.

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