NORDRESS Annual meeting 2018



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Nordic Centre of Excellence on Resilience and Societal Security

WP 1 Administration

WP2 The Nordic Societal Security Academy (NSSA)

WP3 Individual resilience

WP4 Community resilience

WP5 Infrastructure resilience

WP6 Institutional resilience



WP 1 - Administration

WP1 manages the entire CoE, distributes funds and follows the progress of all WPs, providing information and advice as needed.

As before, WP1 introduced NORDRESS in various fora, searched for cooperation opportunities outside of NORDRESS and prepared grant applications to national and international funds.

WP1 prepares all official reports and documents, including the annual report.

WP1 hosted the third annual NORDRESS meeting successfully held in Reykjavík on August 22 2017,

and met with the Scientific Advisory Board in Copenhagen on June 19-2017.



WP 1 – Administration

By far the largest task of the year was preparing and hosting the **IDRiM2017 conference**,

which NORDRESS held in cooperation with the International Society for Integrated Disaster Risk Management.

The conference took place in Reykjavik on August 23-25 2017 216 registered participants from 28 countries, thereof 40 NORDRESS members.

Of the 245 abstracts accepted, **38 came from NORDRESS**, with 35 oral presentations and 3 posters. We feel that by hosting and taking an active part in IDRiM2017, NORDRESS has met many of the requirements regarding cross-disciplinary work, cooperation with non-Nordic partners, broad dissemination and outreach.

The conference program, all abstracts, and a list of all participants can be viewed on the website www.idrim2017.com

IDRiM2017

The program contained 29 oral sessions, with up to 6 presentations each, 5 plenary invited lectures, plenary panel discussions, and poster sessions. Special emphasis was placed on giving young scientists a voice, by offering three special sessions (YSS) designated to them.



IDRiM2017

Iceland's leading
TV news editor, Ms
Póra Arnórsdóttir,
conducted plenary
interviews with
selected experts on
different aspects of
disasters and
resilience.

This feature proved very successful in opening the discussion to the general audience.





The IDRiM2017 program concluded with a field trip to South-Iceland, a region challenged by a variety of natural threats. The local emergency managers hosted a meeting in the community hall and gave informative and useful presentations on emergency preparation and response in the region.

Outreach and dissemination in 2017:

- PhD thesis (3)
- MS theses (1)
- Courses/seminars (4)
- Conferences arranged (3)
- Reports (4)
- Peer reviewed scientific publications (6) non-peer reviewed (1)
- Conference presentations (64)
- Media appearances (10)
- Outreach and dissemination to the public (6)
- Web disseminations (4)



NSSA 2017

In 2017 NSSA received 27 applications for mobility grants. All applications met the required standards and were funded.

While many funded activities took place in 2017, others are planned for 2018.

We encourage you to plan and apply for support for **courses**, as well as mobility grants!

NORDRESS - Scientific Advisory Board Meeting on 2017 progress will take place in June 2018



• <u>Dr. Louise K. Comfort</u>, Professor of Public and International Affairs and Director, Center for Disaster Management, University of Pittsburgh.



• <u>Dr. Bridget Hutter</u>, Professor and Chair of Risk Regulation, London School of Economics and Political Science.



• <u>Dr. Tom Sorell</u>, Professor of Politics and Philosophy, and Head of the Interdisciplinary Etics Research Group Department of Politics and International Studies, University of Warwick.



• <u>Dr. Kathleen Tierney</u>, Professor of Sociology and Director of the Natural Hazards Research and Applications Information Center at the University of Colorado at Boulder.

Thank you all!!! for your contributions to NORDRESS — we are doing well and receive very good feedback — e.g. from the new Director of NordForsk, who urges us to have a final "practically oriented" conference in 2019.

It would be great to be able to secure our cooperation beyond the 5 years!

