

Minutes of the General Assembly of the Nordic Society for Middle Eastern Studies held in Reykjavik 24th September 2022

1. The chairperson of NSMES, Mark **Sedgwick**, opened the General Assembly.
2. Ragnhild Johnsrud **Zorgati** was elected chair of the meeting.
3. Knut S. **Vikør** was elected secretary.
4. The proposed agenda was accepted.
5. The report of the activities of the board for 2019-22 was presented by the chairperson. Among the activities reported were the organization of a Ph.D. workshop, distribution of the Eurames newsletter, and activity on the Society's Facebook page; in addition to the triennial conference. The report was accepted by the assembly.
6. The audited Financial Report for 2019-22 was presented by the chairperson. The report was accepted by the assembly.
7. Election of board members and substitute members: The proposal of the electoral committee was presented by Jakob **Skovgaard-Petersen**. The candidates for board members were:

Denmark	Mark Sedgwick (Univ. of Aarhus)
	Kirstine Sinclair (Univ. of Southern Denmark)
Finland	Tiina Hyyppä (Univ. of Helsinki)
	Laura Wickström (Åbo Academy University)
Iceland	Thorir Jonsson Hraundal (Univ. of Reykjavik)
	Kartan Orri Thorsson (Univ. of Reykjavik)
Norway	Jacob Høigilt (Univ. of Oslo)
	Charlotte Lysa (Univ. of Oslo)
Sweden	Olof Heilo (SRIL, Istanbul)
	Oliver Scharbrodt (Univ. of Lund)

These candidates were elected unanimously.

The electoral committee nominated these as substitute board members:

For Denmark: Christine **Crone**

For Finland: Riika **Tuori**

For Norway: Teresa **Pepe**

For Sweden: Elena **Chiti**

These candidates were elected unanimously.

8. Election of chairperson of the board: The electoral committee proposed Mark **Sedgwick**. He was unanimously elected.

9. Election of auditor and assistant auditor. The election committee proposed:
Auditor: Marianne **Laanatza** (Sweden)
Assistant Auditor: Mulki **al-Sharmani** (Finland)
They were elected unanimously.
10. Election of the electoral committee for 2025: The chairperson proposed this electoral committee:
Ulla **Prien** (Denmark)
Pekka **Tuominen** (Finland)
Susanne **Olsson** (Sweden)
Liv **Tønnessen** (Norway)
They were elected unanimously.
11. Plans for the activities 2022-2025 were presented by the chairperson. They included i.a. the organization of an MA workshop, and the possibility for Ph.D. courses. The next conference, planned for 2025 is expected to be held in Norway.
12. Any other businesses. No other subjects were suggested.

Bergen, 10.10.22

Knut S. Vikør