

NIC

Nordic Network for Intercultural Communication

NIC Board Meeting, December 30, in Vilnius, Lithuania

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1. Opening

Jens Allwood opens the meeting.

2. Election of secretary

Nataliya Berbyuk Lindström is elected secretary.

3. Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting are read.

4. Other information

- **Selected papers from the NIC 2004 conference**

Eilef Gard informs us that the selected papers from the NIC 2004 conference in Kristiansand, Norway have now been published and will be sent to everyone who is interested (1 copy free of charge/person).

- **Selected papers from the NIC 2007 conference**

Two options are available for those who want to publish their papers.

A. Elena Maceviciute and Renata Matkeviciene inform us that the publication of selected papers from the NIC 2007 conference in Vilnius will be published in a special issue of a scientific journal "Informacijos mokslai" <http://www.leidykla.eu/en/journals/information-sciences/>. The deadline is January, 20, 2008.

B. Jens Allwood invites everyone to send papers to Journal of Intercultural Communication <http://www.immi.se/intercultural/> where they will be published after the usual process of peer review.

Jens Allwood gives us information about the "Journal of Intercultural Communication" which is an electronic journal with peer review available at <http://www.immi.se/intercultural/>. The journal is run on 100% voluntary work, in

cooperation with the Immigrant institute in Borås, Sweden. The journal works well and has a very large number of readers from all around the world. Statistics on the number of readers shows for example that in October 2007 there were about 41 000 hits. The statistics are available at the website <http://www.immi.se/intercultural/index.htm> (under Previous Issues, Statistics). The Journal of Intercultural Communication belongs to category A on the European ranking scale on academic journals.

5. NIC website

Jens Allwood informs us that there is a link to the European Intercultural Workplace project on the NIC website

The participants are also invited to contribute information on organizations and links to organizations dealing with these topics, in particular training organizations. In addition, any other interesting links and relevant information are welcomed.

Natasha will update the NIC members list.

6. Election of NIC board

- **Norway:** unchanged (Øyvind Dahl and Maria Isaksson)
- **Sweden:** unchanged (Jens Allwood and Nataliya Berbyuk Lindström)
- **Finland:** unchanged (Liisa Salo-Lee and Nancy Aalto)
- **Denmark:** Iben Jensen is unchanged and a new member is elected: Vibeke Andersson.
- **Estonia:** Krista Vogelberg is unchanged and a new board member is elected: Irina Koksharova
- **Latvia:** Aija Priedite and Liene Locmele (born Raegle) change places.
- **Lithuania:** unchanged (Elena Maceviciute and Renata Matkeviciene)
- **Iceland:** Oddny Sverrisdottir is unchanged and a new member is elected: Laufey Erla Jonsdottir

To sum up, the following board members are elected:

Norway	Øyvind Dahl	Maria Isaksson
Sweden	Jens Allwood	Nataliya Berbyuk Lindström
Finland	Liisa Salo-Lee	Nancy Aalto
Denmark	Iben Jensen	Vibeke Andersson
Estonia	Irina Koksharova	Krista Vogelberg
Latvia	Liene Locmele	Aija Priedite
Lithuania	Elena Maceviciute	Renata Matkeviciene
Iceland	Oddny Sverrisdottir	Laufey Erla Jonsdottir

7. Next NIC meeting

NIC 2008 - Oddny Sverrisdottir and Laufey Erla Jonsdottir will organize the conference in Iceland.

After Iceland, it will be Sweden, and after Sweden- Norway.

8. Other issues

Financial issues for organizing the conference are discussed.

Jens Allwood closes the meeting.

For NIC Jens Allwood

Nataliya Berbyuk Lindström