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PROGRAM FOR THE FIRST WEBINAR

08:00 AM  Welcome, introduction and presentation of the Nordic Corona timeline by Gunnar Bovim
08:15 AM  Facilitated panel discussion
08:35 AM  Group discussions I – National differences and similarities
09:15 AM  Break
09:20 AM  Brief presentations in plenary
09:25 AM  Group discussions II – What did we learn? Discussions in thematic groups
10:05 AM  Presentations on thematic learnings – Brief interviews in plenary
10:25 AM  Round off and next steps by Gunnar Bovim
New daily cases registered

Total cases registered worldwide per 21 September: 31,000,000
Total deaths registered worldwide per 21 September: 961,000
March 12, shutdown of all universities and university colleges

April 27, reopening for students and employees requiring physical presence

May 11, teaching facilities opened for students who need access to maintain study progression

June 15, official reopening of universities and university colleges

August, back to normal - beginning of fall semester

TIMELINE – NORWAY

(Population: 5,43 Mio)
MARCH 13, SHUTDOWN

APRIL 15, CONTROLLED LIMITED REOPENING

MAY 18, OPEN TO EXAMS AND EDUCATION REQUIRING PHYSICAL PRESENCE

JUNE 15, EMPLOYEES IN THE LAST REGIONS ALLOWED PHYSICAL PRESENCE

MAY 27, RESUME PHYSICAL PRESENCE ON CAMPUS

AUGUST 1, COMPLETE REOPENING FOR EMPLOYEES AND STUDENTS (ADHERING TO GUIDELINES)

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TIMELINE – SWEDEN
(POPULATION: 10,23 MIO)

March 2020

MARCH 18, SOME EDUCATION MOVED ONLINE, AND PEOPLE ADVISED TO WORK FROM HOME

April 2020

APRIL 1, ALL EMPLOYERS ARE RECOMMENDED TO HAVE EMPLOYEES WORK FROM HOME

May 2020

JUNE 15, BACK TO NORMAL

June 2020

MARCH 19, ANNOUNCEMENT OF NEED TO INCREASE HIGHER EDUCATION CAPACITY
MARCH 18, SHUTDOWN OF ALL HIGHER EDUCATION INSTITUTIONS

JUNE 1, FURTHER REOPENING – PUBLIC GATHERINGS OF UP TO 50 ALLOWED

MAY 14, PREMISES NOT CLOSED BY LEGISLATION, BUT EDUCATION COMPLETED ONLINE

AUGUST, UNIVERSITIES PREPARE FOR OPENING MOST STUDENT SERVICES
TIMELINE – ICELAND

(POPULATION: 364,134)

- MARCH 16, SHUTDOWN OF UNIVERSITIES AND SECONDARY SCHOOLS
- MARCH 22, FURTHER RESTRICTIONS ON GATHERINGS - MAX 20 PEOPLE
- MAY 4, RELAXATION OF BAN ON GATHERINGS
- MAY 25, FURTHER EASING OF RESTRICTIONS ON GATHERINGS - UP TO 200 ALLOWED
- JUNE 25, FURTHER EASING OF RESTRICTIONS ON GATHERINGS - MAX 100 PEOPLE
- JULY 30, REINTRODUCED RESTRICTIONS ON GATHERINGS - MAX 100 PEOPLE
MARCH 12, SHUTDOWN (NO)
MARCH 13, SHUTDOWN (DK)
MARCH 16, SHUTDOWN (IS)
MARCH 18, SHUTDOWN (FI)
APRIL 1, ALL EMPLOYERS ARE RECOMMENDED TO HAVE EMPLOYEES WORK FROM HOME (SE)
APRIL 27, REOPENING FOR STUDENTS AND EMPLOYEES REQUIRING PHYSICAL PRESENCE (NO)
MAY 14, PREMISES NOT CLOSED BY LEGISLATION, BUT EDUCATION CONDUCTED DIGITALLY (FI)
MAY 25, EASING OF RESTRICTIONS ON GATHERINGS - UP TO 200 ALLOWED (IS)
JUNE 1, FURTHER REOPENING - PUBLIC GATHERINGS OF UP TO 50 ALLOWED (FI)
JUNE 15, BACK TO NORMAL (SE)
JUNE 15, OFFICIAL REOPENING OF UNIVERSITIES AND UNIVERSITY COLLEGES (NO)
JULY 30, REINTRODUCED RESTRICTIONS ON GATHERINGS - MAX 100 PEOPLE (IS)
AUGUST 1, COMPLETE REOPENING FOR EMPLOYEES AND STUDENTS - ADHERING TO GUIDELINES (DK)
AUGUST, BACK TO NORMAL - BEGINNING OF FALL SEMESTER (NO)
APRIL 1, ALL EMPLOYERS ARE RECOMMENDED TO HAVE EMPLOYEES WORK FROM HOME (SE)
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March 2020  April 2020  May 2020  June 2020  July 2020

TIMELINE – ALL NORDIC COUNTRIES
**March 2020**
- **March 12**, Shutdown (NO)
- **March 13**, Shutdown (DK)
- **March 16**, Shutdown (IS)
- **March 18**, Shutdown (FI)

**April 2020**
- **April 1**, All employers are recommended to have employees work from home (SE)
- **March 18**, Some education moved online and people advised to work from home (SE)

**May 2020**
- **May 14**, Premises not closed by legislation, but education conducted digitally (FI)
- **May 25**, Easing of restrictions on gatherings - up to 200 allowed (IS)

**June 2020**
- **June 1**, Further reopening - public gatherings of up to 50 allowed (FI)
- **June 15**, Back to normal (SE)
- **June 15**, Official reopening of universities and university colleges (NO)

**July 2020**
- **July 30**, Reintroduced restrictions on gatherings - max 100 people (IS)
- **August 1**, Complete reopening for employees and students - adhering to guidelines (DK)
- **August**, Back to normal - beginning of fall semester (NO)

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**Phase 1 – Quick reaction**
- March 2020
- April 2020
- May 2020
- June 2020

**Phase 2 – Gradual reopening**
- April 27, reopening for students and employees requiring physical presence (NO)
- May 25, easing of restrictions on gatherings - up to 200 allowed (IS)

**Phase 3 – Back to normal**
- June 15, official reopening of universities and university colleges (NO)

**Phase 4 – ?**
**CROSS-CUTTING POINTS?**

**Phase 1 – Quick reaction**
- Top-down decisions
- Swift transition
- Much dialogue across organizations

**Phase 2 – Gradual reopening**
- Top-down decisions based on bottom-up advice
- Controlled transition
- Continued dialogue

**Phase 3 – Back to normal**
- (Almost) full reopening across countries
- Back to more formal communication

**Phase 4 – ?**
- Heading into this phase

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**Other interesting topics/examples:**
- When employees have been sent home in Norway, they are offered courses for competency development.
- In Denmark, a bill has been proposed to provide private companies with a 130% tax deduction on investments in research and innovation.
Presenters and panelists

Mari Sundli Tveit (NO)
Deputy Director General at The Confederation of Norwegian Enterprise (NHO)

Jan-Ingvar Jönsson (SE)
Vice-Chancellor at Linköping University

Leena Sarvaranta (FI)
Head of EU Affairs at VTT Technical Research Centre of Finland

Anders Bjarklev (DK)
Vice-Chancellor at The Technical University of Denmark, and Chair of Danish Universities
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