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# Three top-level webinars in Autumn 2020

## The Nordic research, education and innovation systems of the future

This exclusive webinar series is designed to bring key top-level players across the Nordic countries and from different sectors (universities, research organisations, funding agencies, innovation actors and representatives from private companies) together. The aim is to discuss **what happened during the Corona crisis**, how we have used different strategies to cope with the crisis, and what we have learned about transforming our organisations. It is also the aim for the series to open up discussions regarding **what will happen in the future** when research and innovation becomes even more important driving forces in the societal developments. Further, **what needs to be done and changed** in our systems to really address the issues of green transition and sustainability – focusing on unique Nordic approaches or opportunities for cooperation.

All the webinars are designed to include speakers, group work and discussions. Brief topical videos and national information will be shared in advance, and concise summaries of the main points will be shared after the events to be used as background material in all the countries involved. The third webinar will be followed by a more substantial newspaper article (or similar), which is authored by selected representatives from the different countries.

### First webinar on 25th Sept,

8:00-10:30 am (CEST)

**What happened?** A focus on the differences and similarities between the five Nordic countries. How did we handle the societal and organisational changes due to Corona? Differences and similarities between countries in terms of how our research-, education- and innovation systems (REAIS) worked in a crisis situation? How did the scientific environments advise the political decision makers in a crisis situation?

### Second webinar on 27th Oct,

8:30-11:00 am (CEST)

**What happens now?** What will the future international trends bring that our sector must correspond to? How will Horizon Europe affect us? Will the relationship between society and our research and educational institutions change - and how? Moreover, how will these developments affect the values that govern the interactions between society and science?

### Third webinar on 18th Nov,

2:30-5:00 pm (CEST)

**What should we do next?** What systematic and institutional changes do we see ahead of us? What should we have a sense of urgency about? How do we cope with the expectations of a clearer societal impact and an increasingly greater expectation of more interaction between research and education? How can, and should, we change our systems in the future? How can learning from changes due to Corona help us further?

**You are hereby invited** to attend the webinar series, which is an invite-only series reserved for high-level people across the Nordic countries. If you are not able to attend the series you may assign the personal invitation to a representative that you wish to send instead.

Please **reserve the dates**, and until then we wish you a pleasant summer.

A range of people/organisations are behind the arrangement of the three webinars:

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- John-Arne Røttingen, The Research Council of Norway
- Håkon Haugli, Innovation Norway
- Mari Sundli Tveit, The Confederation of Norwegian Enterprise (NHO)
- Sven Stafström, The Swedish Research Council
- Anders Bjarklev, Technical University of Denmark
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