



NFU

NORSK FORENING FOR UTVIKLINGSFORSKNING

General Assembly 2005

Time: Monday 20 June 2005, 17:30

Venue: Noragric – Norwegian University for Life Sciences, Ås

Draft Agenda

1. Constitute meeting and approve agenda

- Election of Chair and two Reporters
- Approval of agenda

2. NFU Annual report 2005

3. NFU Audited Accounts 2005

- Accounts for 2005 – period 01.09.2004 – 31.05.2005.
- Audit report for 2005
- Audit report for 2004 – was not presented to the previous meeting

4. Accounts for NFU Annual conferences

- 2004: CDS/GHERA, UiB

5. NFU Annual Conference 2006

- *Ethics, Human Rights and Development*, application by SUM, UiO / UiB

6. Incoming business

- A. NFU Articles of association – translation and revision

7. NFU Membership fees 2006

8. Work plan and Budget for 2006

9. Elections

- NFU Board, Nomination Committee and Auditor.
- Norwegian representative, EADI Executive Committee
(See letter to Norwegian EADI member institutions, 04.03.2005)

NFU General Assembly 2005**Item 2. NFU Annual report 2005****NFU Annual Report 2005**

(Covering the period October 2004 –June 2005)

General

The current “year” has been very short, October 2004 – June 2005, due to the early timing of the NFU Annual Conference. We find it important to conduct the General Assembly in connection with the Annual Conference and have for that reason adopted flexible business years for reporting and accounts. NFU membership follows the calendar years.

NFU has during the period maintained the principal activities of the association, including:

- Consulted with the organisers of the NFU Annual Conference, NORAGRIC, - Norwegian University for Life Sciences
- Announced the NFU prize for Development Research 2005 and NFU-travel stipends: EADI-conference 2005
- Published the NFU Newsletter, 1 issue
- Been involved in the publishing of the Forum for Development Studies
- Arranged one seminar: Dissemination of Knowledge in a Globalized World: Research, GATS and Education. The seminar was supported by UFD
- Undertaken representation to the European Association of Development Research and Training Institutes (EADI)
- Continued the planning of a study of the Programs of Development Studies offered by Norwegian educational institutions
- Translated and revised the NFU Articles of Association, for presentation to the General Assembly 2005
- Continued revision of NFU information activities
- Conducted 4 Board meetings
- Kept accounts and updated membership lists

We received in the period the sad news about the passing away of Professor Mariken Vaa - September 2004, and Research Fellow Erik Blytt - January 2005. Both were highly committed development researchers and made numerous contributions to the work of NFU. NFU has made donations to organisations according to their wishes – SAIH and FIAN International - FoodFirst Information and Action Network respectively

The NFU Board members 2005

The NFU Annual meeting 2004 was held 30 September 2004 at *CDS/GHERA, University of Bergen*. Minutes were published at the NFU web: www.nfuf.no. Following this meeting the composition of the NFU Board was as follows:

Chair:

Håkon Fottland, SEMUT, University of Tromsø.

Board members:

Tor Arve Benjaminsen, Noragric, Norwegian University for Life Sciences (UMB) - treasurer

Morten Bøås, Fafo Institute for Applied International Studies

Tale Baadsvik, Norwegian University of Science and Technology (NTNU)

Ketil Fred Hansen, Idegruppen Nord Sør - secretary

Darley Jose Kjosavik, Noragric, Norwegian University for Life Sciences (UMB) – editor of the NFU-newsletter

Elisabeth Sandersen, KVINNFORSK, University of Tromsø

Tina Søreide, Chr. Michelsen Institute

Guro Aandahl, SUM, University of Oslo

Deputy Board members:

Asunción Lera St. Clair, Dept. of Sociology, University of Bergen

Atle Solberg, Dept. of Political Science, University of Bergen

Kjetil Tronvoll, Norwegian Centre for Human Rights, University of Oslo

Trond Vedeld, Norwegian Institute for Urban and Regional Research (NIBR)

Auditor:

Hans-Jørgen Christiansen, SUM, University of Oslo

Nomination committee:

Ruth Haug, Noragric, Norwegian University for Life Sciences (UMB), chair

Siri Gloppen, Chr. Michelsen Institute

Einar Braathen, Norwegian Institute for Urban and Regional Research (NIBR)

Norwegian Delegate to the EADI Executive Committee:

Trond Vedeld, Norwegian Institute for Urban and Regional Research (NIBR)

NFU Board meetings

The NFU Board has in the period met 4 times; once at Ås, twice in Oslo and once in Stavanger. Due to a variety of commitments among the Board members – professional and personal - all elected members and deputies have been invited to all meetings.

Work plan 2005

The NFU Board discussed item *NFU 31-04 NFU work plan 2005* at the meeting 10.12.2004, and arrived at the following:

NFU board should prioritise a high quality journal and a good annual conference.

From earlier it remains important for NFU to become more visible and to use the NFU flyer more actively.

Members

By 10 June 2005 NFU had a total of 261 registered members. Of these 182 had paid their fees.

The Board has discussed whether the establishment of local NFU-Chapters will help increase the attention, discussion, and interest for development research, and the number of members in NFU. So far we have concluded that there is no need for expanding the organization structure. But the Board encourages members to organize local events in the name of, and possibly also with economic support from NFU.

Information

The newsletter *NFU Nytt*, and the *NFU website*, have been the channels of disseminating information to NFU members.

One issues of *NFU nytt* has appeared since the Annual Meeting 2004 with *Darley Jose Kjosavik*, Noragric - UMB as Editor.

The NFU website: *www.nfuf.no* was given a new design in February 2005 and has served as an important channel of information.

The NFU-flyer and -poster are produced in numbers supposed to be available for some years.

The NFU prize for Development Research 2005

The NFU prize for Development Research 2005 amounts to NOK 10.000 and is awarded to
- the best scientific article presented by a Ph.D-fellow or a researcher below the age of 40 within the area of development research, published in the period 2003 – 2005, or being in a publishable format.

The criteria for presenting entries to the prize were this year revised to reflect changes in the field of higher education and research recruitment. This was seen as relevant as the latest two announcements resulted in very few entries and none found worthy of being awarded the prize.

This year we received 8 manuscripts competing for the NFU prize 2005, and with the authors having a 50/50 gender balance. The Editorial Committee of the *Forum for Development Studies* have reviewed the entries and decided on a winner. The announcement will be made during the NFU Conference Dinner 2005.

NFU-travel stipends: EADI-conference 2005

Two NFU travel stipends to attend the EADI-conference 2005: *Insecurity and Development – Regional issues and policies for an interdependent world*, 21 – 24 September 2005, was announced for:

Master students – being members of the NFU – with accepted abstracts for presentations at the EADI conference 2005.

One application was received and reviewed by the NFU Board, and awarded on stipend.

Seminar: Dissemination of Knowledge in a Globalized World: Research, GATS and Education

A seminar on this subject was arranged at CMI 21.04.2005 in co-operation with Idegruppen Nord Sør and CMI. The event was supported by the Ministry of Education and Research and gathered about 35 invited delegates. See separate report by Tina Søreide. The final report from the seminar is unfortunately not yet available.

Development Research Policy

The NFU Board established a special committee on development research policy, consisting of Morten Bøås, Tale Baadsvik, Asunción Lera St. Clair, Elisabeth Sandersen and Trond Vedeld.

EADI

Trond Vedeld, (NIBR), has served as Norway's representative on the Executive committee of EADI. See separate report. The costs for his participation have been covered by a special allocation from the Research Council of Norway.

The EADI General Assembly, will be held during the General Conference 21 – 24 September 2005, and will elect a new President for EADI. Professor Desmond McNeill, SUM, University of Oslo is a candidate.

Forum for development studies

NUPI, in co-operation with NFU and with financial support from the Research Council of Norway, publishes the *Forum for Development Studies*. The Journal is published twice a year with Olav Stokke (NUPI) as Editor. Tor Arve Benjaminsen has been the representative of the NFU Board in the Editorial committee.

Study of Development Studies Programs offered by Norwegian institutions

An initiative to such a study was taken by Professor Mariken Vaa and Research Fellow Erik Blytt during a workshop at the NFU Annual Conference 2003. An application to the Research Council of Norway (RCN) for such a study was drafted, but because both the initiative takers sadly passed away, the draft could not be revised until February 2005. The Research Council of Norway have in the mean time informed that they might consider such a study as part of a more comprehensive effort on their part, and that the planning so far carried out by NFU could be useful in that connection. The NFU Board appreciates that the initiative can be taken care of in such a manner.

The NFU Annual Conferences

The Annual Conference 2004 was hosted by the Centre for Development Studies/GHERA - University of Bergen, 30 September - 01 October 2004. The conference theme was: *Education, Knowledge and Development*.

The Annual Conference 2005 is hosted by Noragric, Norwegian University for Life Sciences (UMB), 20 – 21 June 2005. The conference theme is: *Transforming Landscapes of Poverty - Resources, Rights and Conflicts*.

The NFU Annual Conference is supported by the Research Council of Norway / the Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

**Dissemination of Knowledge in a Globalized World: Research, GATS and Education.
- seminar on the international liberalization of education.**

Arranged by NFU, 21.04.2005

Tina Søreide
NFU Board Member
29.05.2005

NFU was responsible of organizing a seminar on the impacts of trade in education this spring. The arrangement was conducted in association with Chr. Michelsen Institute (CMI) and Idegruppen Nord Sør, and financed by the Norwegian Ministry of Education and Research. The seminar, held in Norwegian, was called *Dissemination of Knowledge in a Globalized World: Research, GATS and Education*. It took place as a multi-disciplinary research seminar at CMI on April 21. A good number of Norwegian experts on matters related to education were present. Important problems were lectured, raised and intensely debated.

GATS (The General Agreement on Trade in Services) is a WTO agreement which is meant to function as a frame for international trade in education, as well as other services. Its importance for education in developing countries is unclear, although its aim is of course to improve welfare, right and rate of entry and the general levels of competency. The GATS agreement represents a liberalisation of the education sector as it ensures foreign private universities and schools local competition on equal terms. The seminar aimed at more clarification on the consequences of this agreement for local schools and universities in developing countries, for the student mobility, and the quality of education. Will, for instance, this agreement impede the development of local research capabilities? How important is GATS, given the many other multilateral and bilateral trade agreements and the liberalisation of education that takes place independently of this specific settlement? Most of the questions that were raised in this seminar were relevant to developed as well as developing countries. This fact contributed to a more nuanced South perspective as different characteristics of countries became more important than their GDP level.

We are grateful to the many contributors to this seminar. State secretary Bjørn Haugstad launched the seminar, whereas Alf Morten Jerve, Director (acting) at CMI, was the chairman of the day. The speakers, Stig Klingstedt, Peter Maassen, Hildegunn Kyvik Nordås, Leo Andreas Grünfeld and Jon Lauglo, made important and interesting presentations. The seminar, which encouraged to multidiscipline research collaboration, ended up in a panel debate with a goal of identifying relevant research questions. This panel consisted of Benedicte Bull (chairing the panel), Ivar Bleiklie, Sølvi Lillegjord, Hildegunn Kyvik Nordås and Liv Tørres. We will also thank the many participants who made the seminar into interesting round table debates. Tor Halvorsen, UIB, and Olve Sørensen, Ministry of education and research, took part in the organizing committee. Ketil Fred Hansen. Håkon Fottland and Tina Søreide from the NFU board were responsible for the seminar. Håkon Fottland will report on the conference, a paper which is being published with other information about this seminar on the NFU web-page. Master student Gigliola Mathiesen wrote a paper to inform about challenges related to the GATS agreement and a bibliography on relevant literature, also available on the NFU-web-site.

EADI work 2005 – Attachment to NFU Annual Report 2005.

Trond Vedeld

Executive Committee Member – EADI, 2002 – 2005.

NIBR/ Norwegian Association for Development Research

28.04.2005

Reports from

- **EADI Executive Committee meetings: Antwerpen, April 22, 2005 and Paris, November 29, 2004 – by Trond Vedeld.**
- **Directors' meetings in Geneva – by Louk de la Rive Box, EADI President**

Two Executive Committee Meetings (Antwerpen and Paris) have been held since last report. Some key themes of interest discussed during these meetings were such as:

General Conference

The General Conference in Bonn, 21-24 September, 2005: The conference has attracted close to 250 papers on a variety of topics across all regions related to the main theme: *Insecurity and Development, Regional Issues and Policies for an Interdependent World.*

The conference has been advertised extensively – and more than 500 participants are expected to join the event. It would be of particular interest to attract participants from research and think tanks of both development and security institutions. Visit the conference website – www.eadi.org/gc2005/ .

The conference is organised by the German Development Institute (GDI) in collaboration with EADI, and funding has for the most part been secured from the following key agencies BMZ/GTZ (main contributor), DFID, Swiss cooperation, French cooperation a few others. Funding is hoped for from the Dutch and the Irish. NORAD turned down an application from funding by the EADI secretariat.

EADI organisational matters

In general, EADI keeps performing better as an institutions related to a variety of activities – with the aim of making the organisations into the key network and arena for European development and training institutions, including member institutions from several East European countries. Several constitutional agreements were agreed upon by the ExCo to be presented for the General Conference in Bonn, which is likely to take the organisation in a more democratic direction – while ensuring a smaller and more effective Executive Committee. The Bonn conference will elect new President, Vice Presidents and new members of the ExCo. Two candidates have been proposed; one of which is from Norway.

As member institution, please look up EADI's website – gradually being turned into a portal for a variety of useful websites - www.eadi.org - and see some of the recent developments related e.g. to:

- *EADI as site for information about development courses:* EADI is developing into the main site for MA/MScs in developing studies – see www.eadi.org/devtrain, while it also offers possibilities for free advertisement of Master and PhD courses in development studies.

- *Policy briefs* on interfaces between research, policy and practice; see the www.edc2010.net – also to be presented at EADI's General Conference.
- *Network for EU funded research*: The EADI network – including contacts through the *EADI Working Groups* – is increasingly becoming useful for establishing a basis for new research programmes – to be funded e.g. by EU. These Working Groups cover large range of topics within development research, and research on countries in transition.
- *Access to literature and libraries*: El@and is a key entry point to some of the best development studies libraries in the World. The system has been revamped and includes a new improved database.
- *EADI book series* – including a new book on European development cooperation by Stokke/Hoebink.
- *European Journal of Development Studies (EDJR)*. The EDJR is now published in four issues per year on various cross-disciplinary themes. The quality has improved – among others due to new editors and publication in UK. A main advantage with the Journal is the short time from presenting a paper to actual publishing. The Journal is available online for member institutions. A special issue on Insecurity and Development will be available for the General Conference.
- *Journal ranking*: In part to assess or provide alternative ways of ranking scientific journals, EADI has appointed a committee that review and works on a Journal ranking.
- *EADI Summer School*: The EADI summer school for development studies have turned become a successful event, and is now organised for the third time in Prague. Please check EADI's website for more details.
- *The Directors' meeting*: The Directors meetings have turned out to be a great new element of EADI's work – see below. The two last Directors meetings were held in Pavia August 2004 and Geneva February 2005. These meetings gather 40-50 directors of key development institutions and have proved very useful for exchange of information and enhancing EADI's agenda – and will be continued. A summary of the meeting in Geneva is attached.

Administrative matters

- *Membership drive*: Due to the falling number of member institutions in some countries – despite all new activities - a new membership drive is envisaged launched in order to address new potential member institutions, including potential corporate members, and individual members. There are now about 130 member institutions (and 150 individual members – only).
- *Budget and economic situation*: Despite considerable improvements in performance and potential benefits to members, EADI has continuous funding problems, in part due to member institutions not paying their contributions and in part due to lack of external funding (beyond contributions from the German government). Previous support from NORAD for the publication (*European Journal of Development Studies*), for example, has stopped.

Best regards,
Trond

Synthesis and outcome of the Directors' Meeting held in Geneva

by Louk de la Rive Box, EADI President

The EADI Directors meeting in Geneva was a success: some forty colleagues from all over Europe had taken time off to join a reflection on where we stand and what we need to do to strengthen our 'industry' as Simon Maxwell teasingly calls us. Thanks to all those who came and participated in a frank exchange! Welcome to those who could not be there, but wish to be informed before our next September meeting in Bonn. In this letter I reflect on some of the points raised. First, let me mention some of the conclusions; then, some observations.

1. Quality assessment and accreditation: a vision paper is needed for the September EADI General Assembly

In line with the Pavia EADI-Directors' decisions, a small group was formed of three 'wise men' who can help us in formulating a vision on where we wish to go with quality management and accreditation guidelines. In 2004 the EADI Executive Committee approved terms of reference for this activity, which were circulated; a proposal was made for the composition of the Committee and funding sought. The latter proved to be difficult, since no EADI budget was available and donor support was not forthcoming. Iued and ISS were willing to pull the cart and each contribute a first instalment of €5.000 to a special EADI project for this purpose, which will be enough to have a committee of 3, plus a simple secretariat meet at least 3 times and prepare a report. Although it would be preferable to have a larger committee, this can only be realised if others wish to contribute. I am very happy to announce that three eminent professionals in development studies have accepted the invitation to join the Committee: Prof. Jacques Forster, Sir Richard Jolly, and Prof. Hans Opschoor. Forster is former director and currently part-time professor of development studies at Iued, Geneva; presently he is Vice President of the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC). Jolly is professor at the Institute of Development Studies, at the University of Sussex and has a distinguished career in international cooperation. Opschoor is a former rector of ISS The Hague, and a professor of Development Studies there. Neither of them has management responsibilities for the mentioned institutions; all have accepted to join the committee on personal title. They have been asked to provide EADI with recommendations on how best to cope with the present trend in Europe for accreditation and quality management, especially with a view to the need of criteria for evaluating transdisciplinary programmes in development studies.

The Directors meeting agreed with the need for such recommendations but added the following points:

- Given present national efforts, and their tendency for mono-disciplinary criteria, the urgency for transdisciplinary and transnational approaches is evident. EADI has a role to play as the major European professional association in development studies.
- Recent debates in the UK Development Studies Association indicate that no consensus exists on the nature of the field of Development Studies: different approaches are therefore likely to exist in Europe, and a clear vision on the demarcation of the field is welcome.
- The Committee is requested to focus on accreditation of masters' programmes; although research programmes are important as well (for M-Phil, M.Res and Doctoral programmes), a vision on accreditation criteria for general masters programmes is urgently required.

- Before the September General Assembly, we cannot expect more than a first Vision from the Committee of three: this can be discussed at a Directors Meeting on Saturday 24 September 2005, during the EADI General Conference.

Please direct any questions or suggestions to Michel Carton (michel.carton@iued.unige.ch) or Louk Box (president@eadi.org).

2. Publications ranking: a draft list with criteria and publications classification will be discussed at the EADI General Assembly

Filip Reyntjens followed up the Pavia recommendations and worked with Ton Dietz and others to convert the so-called Ceres-list of the Dutch Research School for development studies into a European list. Progress is being made, and the same problems are faced as with regard to accreditation: interdisciplinary publications, especially journals, are not recognised by dominant instruments like the Social Science Citation Index.

A credible alternative is therefore urgently needed; this might pre-empt the need for national decision-makers to follow the easy path and simply depend on mono-disciplinary evaluation criteria. The alternative needs to be more than a simple mathematical instrument, which can be misused by managers to evaluate individual contributions to the field. Therefore, the instrument is more likely to fit comparisons across institutions, than among individual researchers. The alternative needs to be based on a broad consensus among professionals, therefore a process approach is followed by Reyntjens which allows for continuous adaptation and improvement. A first draft will be presented on the EADI web-site before the General Assembly and a discussion among Directors will be held on Saturday. A special meeting of the Committee could be held on another day during the General Conference, with participants from countries which are not yet represented and from ICCDA colleagues representing sister-associations from Africa, Asia and Latin America.

The Committee urgently requests participation from countries in Southern, Central, and Eastern Europe. Please contact Filip Reyntjens (Filip.Reyntjens@ua.ac.be) or Ton Dietz (A.J.Dietz@fss.uu.nl).

3. EDC 2010: public debate was a success - now more research networking is needed

Simon Maxwell called our attention to the situation in EDC 2010, the EADI programme on European Development Cooperation. The public debates sponsored through many of our members have been quite successful: from Finland to Italy and from Ireland to Hungary debates are or have been taking place. This was largely sponsored through national agencies; the European Commission unfortunately has not found a possibility to co-sponsor the programme even though a proposal was presented three times in different formats. This is regrettable, but apparently we need to count on national agencies to continue the success-formula. A first round of public debates has now taken place - it is high time for the second round, dealing with research. The Commission will be even less likely to fund this, given the low priority for research in the development directorate. So we shall have to submit proposals to national agencies or foundations.

Simon Maxwell stimulates us to form research alliances to tackle particular themes. Such alliances or networks can be small (like the co-operation between Iued and ISS on quality criteria) or larger (like the cooperation between five Institutes in the preparation of a European Master in Development Studies), or much larger (as in the EDC 2010 public debates).

We agreed that before the September General Conference themes will be developed by interested institutes. One example is the suggestion by Pavia's Gianni Viaggi to take a critical look at the phenomenon of Millennium Development Goals, their history, methodology and impact.

Please inform Thomas Lawo (lawo@eadi.org) of any research theme you would wish to propose, and what type of collaboration you are looking for.

And what did you miss more if you could not join us in Geneva?

- Jacques Forster's lessons learned from many years of work in both humanitarian aid (ICRC) and development cooperation (Iuéd): the first lesson was (in my words) Forget about the OECD-DAC distinction between emergency relief, rehabilitation support and development aid - we have moved beyond the simple classifications because they don't work
- Jean Ziegler's conclusions about applying the human right to food. Never heard of it? Then realise that a South African court just upheld this Human Right and forced the government to respect it. So did a Brazilian court when faced with support for export commodities in a country with rampant undernourishment. Ziegler is Special Rapporteur on the Right to Food to the UN Commission on Human Rights.
- Charles Kleiber, Swiss minister for education and research: he argued that new forms of academic organisation are needed, involving new forms of quality management. The warning to the assembled Swiss researchers was clear: things are about to change, if it is up to him. The profession needs to be prepared for quality management, resulting in accreditation and output-funding; peer review systems are needed, if possible at transnational level; personnel selection becomes ever more critical and an exchange of good practices in Europe is needed.

Thanks to Michel Carton and his colleagues, and to the EADI Secretariat, for organising a good meeting.

I do hope to see you in our September General Conference, especially on the Saturday morning - please note this in your diary now.

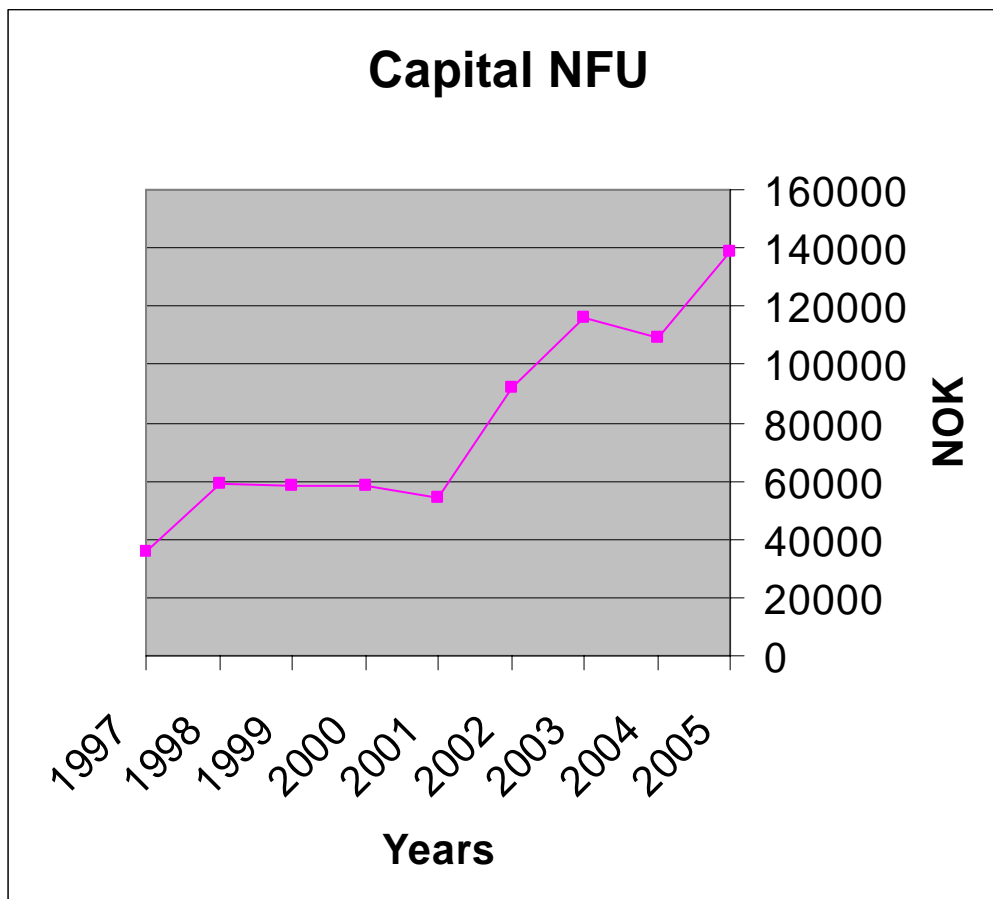
Best regards,
Louk Box

PS Did you submit already a doctoral manuscript to Isa Baud (i.s.a.baud@uva.nl) to be included in the special EADI Book series she has started? Or did you encourage a postgraduate student to submit an essay for the EADI Prize for Development Studies? If not - this is your last chance...

NFU General Assembly 2005
Item 3. NFU Audited Accounts 2005

Period 01.09.2004 – 10.06.2005

	Budget 2005	Expenses 2005
Income		
Membership fees	80 000	82 141
Bank interest	500	-
<i>Total income</i>	<i>80 500</i>	<i>82 141</i>
Running costs		
Board meetings	36 000	30 167
NFU-nytt	10 000	4 753
Forum	36 000	4 070
EADI	3 000	-
Webpage	8 000	3 346
NFU Activity fund	12 000	-
Honorarium (auditor)	3 000	-
Bank fees	3 000	207
Various	-	9 804
<i>Total expenses</i>	<i>114 000</i>	<i>52 347</i>





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Revisjonsberetning

Regnskapet for Norsk forening for utviklingsforskning (NFU) for perioden 1. oktober 2003 til 31. august 2004 er gjennomgått.

Samtlige posterings i regnskapet er kontrollert opp mot bilag.

Årlige overføringer; inngående og utgående balanser, er kontrollert opp mot bankutskrifter og funnet uten diskrepans.

Kostnadene påløpt i perioden anses å være relevante for driften.

Blindern 16. juni 2005.

Hans-Jørgen Oppi Christiansen



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Kostnadene påløpt i perioden anses å være relevante for driften.

Blindern 16. juni 2005.

Hans-Jørgen Oppi Christiansen



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NFU General Assembly 2005
Item 4. Accounts for NFU Annual conferences**2004****Regnskap NFR prosjekt 163893/S30 NFU konferansen 2004 - Bergen 30.09.-01.10.04*****Inntekter***

NFR	350 000,00
SIU	100 000,00
Deltakeravgifter - eksternt	63 825,00
Deltakeravgifter - internt	12 465,00
Totale inntekter	526 290,00

Kostnader

Lønn & sosiale kostnader	130 377,60
Dekningsbidrag	19 556,64
Drift SFU	76 000,00
Konferansekostnader	311 475,51
Totale kostnader	537 409,75

Resultat	(11 119,75)
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Underskudd blir dekket av Senter for utviklingsstudier

NFU General Assembly 2005

Item 5. NFU Annual Conference 2006

**Proposal for the Organization of the
NFU Conference 2006 (SUM-UiO)**

Dates: September 2006

Venue: Oslo

For consideration at the General assembly, 20 June 2005

”Ethics, Human Rights and Development” (preliminary title)

Responsible persons: Desmond McNeill, SUM (UIO), and Asuncion St. Clair, SUM and UIB. In collaboration with the Christian Michelsen Institute (Committee member: Roberto Gargarella) and the Norwegian Centre for Human Rights (Committee Member: Kjetil Tronvoll)

Possible themes/parallel sessions:

- Ethics, Human Rights and International Agencies
- Rights-based Approaches to Development
- Corruption
- Corporate Social Responsibility
- Global Poverty, Global Justice
- Equity: Gender and Health
- Global Institutions and Political Responsibilities ...
- Coping with Value conflicts: Reproductive Rights, Tradition and Culture
- Poverty and Access to Justice
- The Ethical Basis of the Millennium Development Goals
- Human Rights and Human Security
- Human rights and transitional justice in post-conflict societies

NFU General Assembly 2005
Item 6. Incoming business**A. NFU Articles of association – translation and revision**

The Board has seen the need to translate the NFU Articles of association to English and to provide some updates. Attached is the proposal to the General Assembly 2005 (two pages) and the old version in Norwegian (two pages).

NFU General Assembly 2005
Item 7. NFU Membership fees 2006

The following membership fees are suggested:

- Full membership NOK 400
- Student members, retired persons NOK 200

International members are always counted as Full members)

NFU General Assembly 2005

Item 8. Work plan and Budget for 2006

NFU Work plan 2006

- Work to the NFU Annual Conference 2006
- Consider new prizes and/or stipends for NFU members
- Work to publish the NFU Newsletter, improve the website and co-operate on dissemination
- Promote the Forum for Development Studies
- Seek to arrange local seminars, one is planned Bergen.
- Communicate with the European Association of Development Research and Training Institutes (EADI) through the Norwegian ExCom member.
- Follow initiatives to improve Programs of Development Studies offered by Norwegian educational institutions

NFU Budget 2006

	Expenditure 2005	Budget 2006	Notes
Income			
Membership fees	82 141,00	90 000	
Board meetings (refusjon Annual meeting)	-	-	
Interest	-	500	
NFR/EADI	-	-	
Various	-	-	
<i>Total Income</i>	82 141,00	90 500	
Running costs			
Board meetings	30 167,00	36 000	
NFU-news	4 735,00	10 000	
Forum for Dev.Stud.	4 070,00	36 000	
NFU prize stipends	-	35 000	
EADI	-	3 000	
Homepage (www.nfuf.no)	3 346,00	3 500	
NFU Activity fund	-	5 000	
Honorarium (Auditor)	-	3 000	
Various fees (Gebyr)	207,00	3 000	
Various	9 804,00	-	
<i>Total running costs</i>	52 347,00	134 500	
Result	29 794,00	-44 000	
Balances			
Incoming balance. 01.09.2004	108 882,78		
Outgoing balance. 10.06.2005	138 998,98		

NFU board 2005-2006

Chairperson: **Håkon Fottland**, SEMUT - University of Tromsø

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VEDTEKTER

NORSK FORENING FOR UTVIKLINGSFORSKNING

Vedtatt på stiftelsesmøtet 5. mars 1983.

Endret på ordinært årsmøte 23. mai 1986.

1. Formål

Foreningens formål er:

- å fremme flerfaglig forskning og studier av relevans for samfunnsutviklingen i den tredje verden;
- å bygge ut og styrke kontakten mellom utviklingsforskere i Norge og internasjonalt;
- å støtte formidling av forskningsresultater;
- å fremme bruken av forskning og forskningsresultater.

2. Medlemskap

Alle som selv driver eller har drevet utviklingsstudier, og som er enig i foreningens formål, kan bli medlem.

3. Kontingent

Kontingenten fastsettes av det ordinære årsmøtet for ett år av gangen, etter forslag fra styret.

4. Årsmøtet

Årsmøtet er foreningens øverste myndighet. Alle medlemmer har adgang til og stemmerett på årsmøtet.

Ordinært årsmøte holdes hvert år innen utgangen av februar.

Innkalling skjer minst 4 uker før årsmøtet. Forslag må være innkommet til styret minst 2 uker før årsmøtet.

Årsmøtet behandler årsmelding, regnskap, forslag til arbeidsplan, evt. andre forslag, og fastsetter kontingent. Det foretas valg av styre med varamedlemmer og en revisor med vararevisor.

Alle valg og vedtak foretas med alminnelig flertall, unntatt vedtektsendringer.

Ved stemmelikhet som ikke løses ved omstemning, foretas loddtrekking.

5. Ekstraordinært årsmøte

Ekstraordinært årsmøte innkalles dersom et flertall av styret, eller minst 1/4 av medlemmene krever det.

6. Styret

Styret leder den daglige virksomheten og representerer foreningen mellom årsmøtene.

Styret består av 9 medlemmer, med 4 varamedlemmer. Styret bør være bredt faglig og geografisk sammensatt. Minst 3 av styremedlemmene og 3 av varamedlemmene må komme utenfra Oslo/Østlandsområdet.

Styremedlemmene velges for to år av gangen, slik at halvparten av medlemmene er på valg hvert år. Varamedlemmene velges for ett år.

Styret konstituerer seg selv med leder, nestleder og kasserer. Ved stemmelikhet har lederen dobbeltstemme. Varamedlemmene har møterett, men ikke stemmeret.

7. Vedtektssendringer

Vedtektssendringer kan bare gjøres av årsmøtet med minst 2/3 flertall.

8. Oppløsning

Oppløsning av foreningen kan bare foretas av årsmøtet med minst 2/3 flertall. Ved eventuell oppløsning beslutter årsmøtet hvordan foreningens midler skal anvendes.



NFU

NORSK FORENING FOR UTVIKLINGSFORSKNING

The Norwegian Association for Development Research
- Norsk Forening for Utviklingsforskning

Articles of Association

(Proposed for adoption by General Assembly 2005, 20 June 2005)

1. Objectives

Main objectives of NFU are:

- to promote multidisciplinary research and studies of relevance for the general development of society in developing countries
- to consolidate and strengthen relations between development researchers in Norway and internationally
- to support and promote dissemination and use of research results.

2. Membership

Membership is granted to development researchers, students, development practitioners and others with a general interest in development issues agreeing with the NFU main objectives.

- *Annual membership fees.* The General Assembly determines the annual membership fees payable by all members in groups as follows: full membership, family membership, and student membership. Student membership is only offered within Norway.
- Each NFU membership includes one subscription to *Forum for Development Studies*.
- *Discontinuance of membership.* Members owing Annual membership fees will not receive *Forum for Development Studies* and may after one year be deleted as member.

3. The General Assembly

The General Assembly is supreme authority of the association.

- Members are summoned to the General Assembly in co-arrangement with the NFU Annual Conference with least four weeks' notice. All members are entitled to attend and to vote. Any proposals to the General Assembly must be available to the Board two weeks before the meeting.
- The General Assembly shall approve annual report, annual audited accounts, annual membership fees, work plan and budget for the coming period as presented by the Board. Further, the General Assembly shall decide on coming NFU annual conferences, on any other proposals timely received and undertake elections based on presentation by the Nomination Committee.

- Elections shall include the following: Chairman, Board members and Nomination committee members are elected for two years and so that closest possible to half of the seats are up for election every year. Deputy members and Auditor are elected for one year. The Norwegian Delegate to the EADI Executive Committee is elected for three years.
- All elections and resolutions are passed with general majority, except changes of the Articles of Association which require a 2/3 majority. If a parity of votes should occur, the issue is settled by drawing lots.

4. Extraordinary General Assembly

An Extraordinary General Assembly may be summoned with at least four weeks notice if requested by a majority of Board members or one fourth of all NFU members. An Extraordinary General Assembly can only decide on issues mentioned in the summon.

5. The Board

The NFU Board is in charge of all NFU matters between the General Assemblies.

- The NFU Board has is constituted by a Chairman, 8 members and 4 deputy members. It ought to include members from different disciplines and regions. At least 3 of the board members and 2 of the deputy members should come from research environments outside Oslo/Østlandet.
- If a parity of votes occurs, the chairman has a double vote. Deputy members have the right to attend all meetings, but can only vote if replacing a board member.

6. Affiliation

NFU is member of the European Association of Development Research and Training Institutes. The Norwegian Delegate to the EADI Executive Committee reports to the General Assembly

7. Dissolution

The Association can only be dissolved by the General Assembly, and with a 2/3 majority of votes. If dissolution should occur, the General Assembly must decide how to use any remaining NFU funds.

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