

**Ministry of Education and Culture
Sami Parliament
Team briefing/ Nordic indigenous TK&IP Conference of NMR 2021
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Teams @ 14.00 – 16.00 (1-3 pm CET), Wednesday 12 May, 2021

Agenda

1. Introduction

A short recap of the past meetings was made to new participants. Noting overlapping work this meeting will mainly focus on experiences from Greenland. New members of the team, Jon Petter Gintal from the Sami Parliament in Norway, Marcus Dalro, Pia Lynge and Naja Brandt from the Greenland self-government (Naalakkersuisut) and Inker-Anni Linkola-Aikio from the Sami Archives introduced themselves. The focus of this meeting was on experiences from Greenland and an update on the flyer (save the date) for the conference and the subgroups. WIPO communications representative Rebecka Ferderer was also present at the meeting.

Finland

Anna Vuopala and Riitta Heinämaa/ Ministry of Education
Leena Marsio/ Finnish Heritage Agency
Marjo Aalto-Setälä/PRH, Patent and Registration Office
Stiina Löytömäki/Ministry of Economic Affairs and Employment
Eva Englund/Nordic Council of Ministers, Secretariat, Culture, Sami issues

Sweden

Robert Nilsson/ Culture department, copyright and IPRs
Martin Berger/ PRS, Patent and Registration Office

Norway

Silja Somby, Samediggi, Norway
Jon Petter Gintal, Samediggi, Norway
Jostein Sandvik/ Patentstyret
Maria Jongers/ Ministry of Culture

Greenland (Naalakkersuisut)

Marcus Dalro, Ministry of Education, Culture and Church
Pia Lynge, Ministry of Education, Culture and Church
Naja Brandt, Ministry of Education, Culture and Church

Experts

Oula Antti Labba, Saami Council
Tuomas Mattila, University of Helsinki
Jerker Rydén, Swedish Royal Library
Inker-Anni Linkola-Aikio, Sámi Archives

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Anna reminded of the benefits of following the [Dialogue portal](#) to stay up to date on the development of the program and get access to various new studies and other content as well as the written briefings of the Team meetings.

2. Save the date - leaflets

The draft leaflets on "Save the date" to the Conference were only mentioned at the meeting to highlight that we now have translations available in two out of three Sami languages in Finland (Inari Sami and North Sami). The flyers will be sent to the Nordic team for along with a request to distribute in each respective relevant network.

3. Experiences from Greenland related to TK/TCEs

Marcus Dalro, Pia Lynge and Naja Brandt from the Greenland self-government considered participation in the Nordic team and the preparation of the Conference on TK&IP to be important from their point of view. The Copyright Act in force in the self-government of Greenland is prepared centrally in Denmark. Normally, for every amendment of the Danish Copyright Act, the self-government decides whether it will apply the amendments of the act in Greenland. The point of view is normally traditional copyright and it does not specifically take into consideration traditional cultural expressions of Greenland. The Ministry was not aware of any specific demands relating to the need to do so either. One reason for it could be that the population in Greenland is by majority Greenland inuit. However, the experts felt that this aspect is relevant from Greenland's point of view. Therefore, the Greenland self-government will need to consider whether this legislation should be "taken home" i.e. be prepared at the level of the self-government. Policy officers responsible for other IP rights (trademarks and patents), the National museum and for instance traditional clothing in Greenland were recognized holding relevant expertise and were welcomed to join the Nordic team.

Jon Petter Gintal from the Sami Parliament in Norway mentioned that important work on local and regional level has taken place during recent years on protection of Sami traditional knowledge. A report including a proposal to build up an institution and a way for indigenous and local communities to manage their culture based on a legal order underpinning it has been published. It is available in Norwegian and it will be put on the portal. This is a result from the work program of the Sami Parliamentary Council to achieve a pan-Sámi approach for these respective matters.

4. Working methods towards the TK&IP Conference 2021

Jukka Liedes and Leena Marsio updated on the forming of subgroups to discuss IP related matters in one group and intangible cultural heritage (ICH) in another. There will be around two meetings for each subgroup to discuss elements of the Conference program and short and long term goals for Nordic co-operation. The results of the subgroup's input will be discussed at the June 10 meeting alongside the presentation of the work program and pre-studies on Sami ICH as the foundation of the Conference program.

5. WIPO Workshop

Anna and Daphne from WIPO noted that the WIPO workshop will be organised back to back with the conference in Inari. The workshops normally provides opportunity to foster dialogue and exchange of views about the existing IP framework. Discussion relating to the organizing the workshop and planning of the program will begin soon and will be followed-up in the next meeting.

6. Any other business

7. Next meeting

The meeting was finished in 1 hour (1-2 pm CET). Next meeting will be on 10 June.