

NSFS poster at IRPA-14 in South Africa

At the international IRPA conference in South Africa in May 2016, NSFS presented its history and work in a [poster](#).

This was part of the celebration of IRPA's 50th Anniversary, where all Associate Societies had been given the opportunity to present themselves to share their experiences and challenges and to facilitate cooperation and communication.



Introduction

The North Society for Simulation Practice was established in April 2012 at the initiative of professor Rolf Slevart. He arranged the first meeting, which included presenters in various countries as well as all the Nordic countries (Denmark, Finland, Iceland, Norway and Sweden). Already the same year the society became a member of IRPA (the International Simulation Practice Association) the first general meeting took place in September 2013. NSFS is a viable society, which has been able to arrange regular meetings for over 3 years.

Good practices

The first Nordic countries all regularly have a wide range of education and training courses and professionals working in them. In each country there are sub-groups of people that have a possibility to visit and learn under the NSFS. Each country would be successful to carry out multidisciplinary networking and conferences, but the NSFS has been able to provide a forum for this.

The paper for translation of the Swedish 'Sjukhusen' national television series 'Sjukhushistoria' (The history of medicine, education and technology) and subliminal pictures from the video series 'English has been taught me' successfully. This means work consisted of two books:

- Part 1. Sjukhusen (The two before World War II, 114 pages)
- Part 2. The Sound of Thunder. The NSFS, 164 pages
- Part 3. The Labour of Hercules 1940 - 1945, 170 pages
- Part 4. The Fall of Sweden 1947 - 1950, 164 pages

Challenges

The NSFS has been using a web page for delivering information. However, many and potential members could have using social media. Improving communication should be one of the priorities to educate members of the society to enhance opportunities for networking.

The society is not well known among professionals using education in medicine. During the next four years for society it will be introduced to Nordic and national professional societies on the fields of medical use of education.

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Rolf Slevart, 1964