



## SVENSKA NATIONALKOMMITTÉN FÖR ASTRONOMI

### Protokoll från mötet av Svenska Kungliga Nationalkommittén för astronomi (NK; National Committee for Astronomy, NCA) inom Kungliga vetenskapsakademien (KVA)

**NOTE:** JK has reported an incident related to the NK meeting minutes. Shortly after the meeting of 26<sup>th</sup> Jan 2023, JK's laptop was stolen, leading to the loss of the meeting minutes. These shortened minutes have been recreated after the meeting based on the notes of EDB and HH. Inaccuracies/incompleteness may occur.

**Tid:** 2023-01-26, ~9:00-12:00.

**Plats:** Online via Zoom.

**Närvarande ledamöter (Online):** Elvire De Beck (ordförande, EDB, CTH), Jouni Kainulainen (sekreterare, JK, CTH), Oleg Kochukhov (viceordförande, OK, UU), Thomas Bensby (TB, LU), John Conway (JC, CTH), Henrik Hartman (HH, MU), Ulrike Heiter (UH, UU), David Hobbs (DH, LU), Cathy Horellou (CH, CTH), Karin Lind (KL, SU, Zoom), Felix Ryde (FR, KTH), Barbro Åsman (BÅ, SU), Gabriella Stenberg Wieser (GSW, IRF).

**Anmält förhinder:** Jorrit Leenaarts (JL, SU), Jon Gudmundsson (JG, SU)

**Frånvarande:** Jan-Erik Wahlund (JEW, UU), Göran Östlin (GÖ, SU)

**Övriga närvarande:** Mathias Hamberg (MH, VR), Camilla Jakobson (CJ, VR), Per Magnusson (PM, SNSA),

[LU Lunds universitet, KTH Kungliga tekniska högskolan, UU Uppsala universitet, CTH Chalmers tekniska högskola, SU Stockholms universitet, IRF Institutet för rymdfysik, VR Vetenskapsrådet, RFI rådet för forskningens infrastrukturer, SAS Svenska Astronomiska Sällskapet, SNSA Swedish National Space Agency]

#### 1. Meeting is opened

EDB opened the meeting at ~9:00.

#### 2. Approval of the meeting agenda

The agenda was approved.

#### 3. Accepting/adjusting minutes from the previous meeting (6<sup>th</sup> Oct 2022)

The previous meeting notes were approved.

#### 4. Updates from VR and SNSA

CJ gave an update from VR. Slides are appended as the minutes.

PM gave an update from SNSA. Communication between SNSA and KVA regarding

COSPAR representation was discussed. SNSA's grant periods were discussed in the context of the new employment law (LAS). The new ESA Director of Science (Carole G. Mundell, University of Bath) was presented. Candidates for ESA M7 mission were discussed, and updates for three ESA large missions were given.

## **5. International societies IAU and EAS**

National Committee's representation in IAU General Assembly 2024 in South Africa was discussed. KVA funds representation from the National Committee. The topic will be returned to in the next meeting once the conference is closer.

Representation of the National Committee in the EAS business meeting in Krakow in June 2023 was discussed. Conclusion: OK will represent.

## **6. ESO User committee.**

EDB gave an update from the ESO user committee and a reminder to participate the user survey. EDB will ask VR to have a webpage on which to store minutes of meetings etc.

## **7. Astronomdagarna**

Location of the next astronomdagarna was discussed. Conclusion: The next conference will be organized in Lund, possibly together with Malmö.

## **8. Quiet and Dark skies**

Dissemination of knowledge related to the topic was discussed. Conclusion: Michael Lindqvist could be invited to give a summary about what is being done. To be returned to in the next meeting.

## **9. AOB**

Communication channels among Swedish astronomers was discussed. Different setups were discussed. Conclusion: At each institute, one person is assigned as the contact person who can forward emails to the local email lists. The list will be prepared by EDB. The functionality of the system will be checked in the future NK meetings.

## **10. Next meeting**

Timing of the next meeting was discussed. Conclusion: An in-person meeting will be held in Stockholm/KVA preferably before the summer.

## **11. End of meeting**

EDB ends the meeting at ~12:00.

Vid protokollet:

Justerat:

Jouni Kainulainen (sekreterare)

Oleg Kochukhov (viceordförande)