

Statutes of the Nordic Society for Aerosol Research (NOSA)

- § 1 a / The association's name is the Nordic Society for Aerosol Research (NOSA).
b / The association's address is identical to the chairperson's address
- § 2 The duties of the association include:
a / to promote aerosol research in all respects,
b / to promote interdisciplinary cooperation between members,
c / to promote information to members and the general public through the organization of public symposia,
d / to promote international cooperation and thought exchange,
e / to promote development and education of especially young researchers.
- § 3 NOSA has the following membership:
- 3.1 a / regular members,
b / students,
c / supporting members.
 - 3.2 Regular membership can be obtained by persons who are professionally engaged in aerosol research or related research areas through participating in NOSA conference or separately.
 - 3.3 Membership for students may be obtained by BSc, MSc, and PhD students studying aerosols and related topics at universities or technical colleges or equivalent educational institutions.
 - 3.4 Supporting members may be individuals or legal entities, organizations and authorities who have opportunities and are prepared to support NOSA's purpose materially and ideally.
 - 3.5 The Board decides on membership and changes in membership.
 - 3.6 Membership fee is decided by the member meeting.
 - 3.7 All members are entitled to participate in all events organized by NOSA and to receive all publications published in the name of NOSA. As long as membership fees are not taken out, these rights are limited by participating organizations' funding opportunities.
 - 3.8 Regular members and student members are entitled to vote at NOSA meetings and may be elected to the Board (ECS Board for students), or to working groups and committees. Voting can be performed with the use of proxies. However, each member may have no more than 5 proxies.

- 3.9 Membership ends
- a / for persons at death,
 - b / through resigning, which occurs by written notice to the Board,
 - c / through exclusion.

3.10 Exclusion is decided by the Board by a qualified majority. However, exclusion may not occur until the member in question has been heard by the board.

§ 4 NOSA consists of the following parts:

- a / annual member meeting,
- b / Board,
- c / Early Career Scientists Board.

§ 5 Annual Member Meeting:

- a/ The members are called by the Board to attend annual meetings, usually in connection with the regular symposia. The notice shall be sent no later than four weeks before the meeting and shall contain the agenda.
- b / Extra meetings may be convened by the board or at the request of at least 20% of all voting members. Notice and agenda in accordance with a /.
- c / The annual member meeting is responsible for
 - 1. election of Board and ECS Board,
 - 2. changes to the statutes,
 - 3. dissolution of the association
- d / The absentees shall accept the meeting's decision. Decisions are made by simple majority except for NOSA dissolution, which requires a three quarter majority of all members at the meeting.

§ 6 The Board

- 6.1 The Board consists of six to twelve members, who individually determine the allocation of duties. In the Board there should be representatives of the various research areas represented by the members, as well as the Nordic and Baltic countries. Board members shall be ordinary members and board assignments are honorary assignments.
- 6.2 Board members are elected at each ordinary annual member meeting. Each board member is elected for two years. Ideally half of the board members are elected/re-elected at each annual meeting.
- 6.3 The Chairperson and other appropriate posts shall be appointed by the Board. The board should appoint the contact secretary. The chairperson is elected among the board members and chairs Board meetings and annual meetings

- 6.4 The Board is responsible for
- a / that meeting decisions are carried out.
 - b / organization of symposia, exhibitions and dissemination of information.
 - c / determination of administrative commissions for tasks under these statutes.
 - d / if membership fees are introduced, how these are collected, and that necessary changes of the statutes is suggested for the meeting.
 - e / selection of Aerosologist and ECS Aerosologist awardees
 - f / The Board may appoint working groups and committees for special tasks. To these, all NOSA members can be called.
 - g / The Board has decisive rights when all Board members have been convened in good time with the agenda. For decisions, simple majority is used. However, at least 50% of members must be present and 4 different institutions (or organizations) must be represented. If there is a tie during voting, the chairperson has the deciding vote.
 - h/ admission and exclusion of members

§7 The ECS Board

- 7.1 The ECS Board consists of four to eight members, who individually determine the allocation of duties. In the ECS Board there should be representatives of the various research areas represented by the members, as well as the Nordic countries. ECS Board members shall be student or ordinary members (within 4 years of graduation), and board assignments are honorary assignments.
- 7.2 ECS Board members are elected at each ordinary annual meeting. Each board member is elected for two years. Ideally half of the board members are elected/re-elected at each annual meeting.
- 7.3 The Chairperson and other appropriate posts shall be appointed by the ECS Board. The chairperson is elected among the board members and chairs ECS Board meetings and participates in the NOSA Board meetings without voting rights.
- 7.4 The ECS Board is responsible for
- a / that ECS Board meeting decisions are carried out.
 - b / organization of tutorials and activities targeted at early-career aerosol scientists at NOSA symposia and NOSA organized conferences
 - c / contributes to dissemination of information about courses and activities relevant for early-career aerosol scientists.
 - d / The ECS Board has decisive rights when all ECS Board members have been convened in good time with the agenda. For decisions, simple majority is used. However, at least 3 members must be present and 3 different institutions (or organizations) must be represented. If there is a tie during voting, the chairperson has the deciding vote.