

## IIC Nordic Group XXII Congress 21-22 October 2021

### The Nordic Association of Conservators (NKF)

NKF was founded in 1950 and functions as a regional group in *The International Institute for the Conservation of Artistic and Historic Works* ([IIC](#)), and is known as *IIC Nordic Group*.

The central *Nordic Association of Conservators (NKF)*, links the Nordic national bodies in Sweden ([NKF-S](#)), Denmark ([NKF-D](#)), Norway ([NKF-N](#)), Finland ([NKF-Fi](#)) and Iceland ([NKF-Is](#)). The four national sections are also members of *The European Confederation of Conservator-Restorers Organisations* ([ECCO](#)).

### Background

NKF XXII Congress is an international congress held every three years and is the main event for heritage conservation professionals in the Nordic countries. In 2021 the congress will be held over two days in Stockholm from October 21-22nd, hosted by the Swedish NKF-S group.

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### Research and Review –

#### *Advancements in conservation and assessment of previous experiences*

A congress topic to illustrate how the conservation-restoration discipline has evolved over the last decades. Progress has been made both through research and trial-and-error. Analytical methods, documentation, conservation treatments, choice of material as well as the circumstances under which conservator-restorers work are continuously developing.

The congress opens for evaluation of the profession and how we utilize and share our experiences. We look back to analyze the viability of conservation treatment techniques, how we deal with ethical dilemmas, use of best-practice, look back on collaborations we have had and the guidelines which we have been following since the 1980's till today.

The congress will be held at the Swedish Royal Academy of Engineering Sciences, IVA Conference Centre in Stockholm, 21-22 October 2021.

**1st of July 2020:** Deadline submission of abstracts

**1st of August 2020:** Accepted abstracts will be notified

**1st of November 2020:** Papers ready for peer review

**1st of January 2021:** Deadline submission of poster abstract

**1st of May 2021:** Deadline final papers

## Call for Abstracts

The Swedish section of IIC Nordic Group, NKF-S, is pleased to announce the NKF XXII Congress: *Research and Review –Advancements in conservation and assessment of previous experiences.*

Since the NKF-S celebrates 70 years as the major organization for Swedish conservators, we would like to take the opportunity to reflect on the development in the conservation field, as well as look ahead into a possible future. The congress will illustrate how the conservation discipline has changed and developed over the decades. Research, analytical methods, documentation, conservation treatments, and material choices, as well as working conditions have progressed. The congress focuses on what conservators have learned, how the experiences have been used and spread, and how we see the profession in the future.

The NKF XXII Congress is open for conservators, curators, and all professionals working within fields related to conservation.

You are welcome to submit abstracts for presentations on the above theme or topics. You may submit several abstracts. The resulting presentation we have in mind is no longer than 20 minutes including time for questions. The presentation can be held in Swedish, Danish, Norwegian or English.

All submitted abstracts will be reviewed, and papers will be peer-reviewed. Abstracts can be written in English, Swedish, Danish or Norwegian. Final papers and presentations preferably to be written and presented in English.

Abstracts should be no more than 300 words, accompanied by a biography of no more than 100 words. Make sure you include your name, title, and other contact details at the end of the abstract. Abstracts should be sent by e-mail in Word or PDF before **July 1<sup>st</sup> 2020** to: [nkfcongress2021@gmail.com](mailto:nkfcongress2021@gmail.com)