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## The Northern Dimension Institute

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# The Northern Dimension Institute (NDI)

- Currently 20 member universities and research institutes
- The second NDI Steering Group meeting will be held on 9 December 2010, in Lithuania
  - Representative of NDPHS will be invited to the meeting

# NDI Scientific Thematic Group (NDI STG) on Public Health and Social Well-being

- The first meeting was held in Polvijärvi, Finland, 20 October 2010
  - Participants from:
    - Lappeenranta University of Technology
    - National Institute for Health and Welfare
    - North Karelia Center for Public Health
    - University of Eastern Finland / Karelian Institute
    - University of Helsinki / Aleksanteri Institute
    - Petrozavodsk State University
- More members will be invited to the group to cover wider geographical area
- NDI Coordinator coordinates the activities of the group until the leader will be chosen

# Preliminary Project Plan of the NDI STG on Public Health and Social Well-being

- Joint project development initiative between Petrozavodsk State University and National Institute for Health and Welfare related to asthma and allergies
  - also social and ecological aspects can be included to the project

# Competencies and Research Interests of the NDI STG on Public Health and Social Well-being

- Chronic diseases
- Communicable diseases
- Alcohol and drug abuse
- Welfare issues on gender
- Public social services
- Social policy and development of social work
- Customer driven renewal of the service provision system in health and social services and performance measurement of the systems
- Labour market research, working conditions
- Demographical issues
- Migration and migrant families
- Environmental problems

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