

Time	Presentations / Activities	Place and details
Wednesday 11th of February		
9:00-13:00	Field trip	
	<p>1. Navia: one of the biggest yarn producers on the Faroe Islands. The owner also runs the family farm with sheep and tourism. We will visit Navia's shop, where they sell yarn, sweaters etc., and we will see their 3D knitting machines. If the weather allows, we will also visit the sheep barn. Coffee break included.</p> <p>2. Dairy and sheep farm, with milk as main production. We will visit the café for lunch, where we can sit and look down at the cows and calves. At the farm shop you will find cheese from their own milk, and yarn from their own sheep.</p>	<p>Oyrarnar 10 FO-650 Toftir www.navia.fo</p> <p>Varmakeldugarðurin FO-512 Norðragøta (Facebook, Instagram)</p>
14:00-17:00	SESSION 2: Characteristics and potential of Nordic landrace breeds	
14:00-14:20	Opening remarks and welcome, Tróndur G. Leivsson (Director, Búnaðarstovan, The Faroe Islands)	<p>Búnaðarstovan</p>
14:20-14:40	Overview of the Nordic breeds, Maria Kjetså (Senior Scientist, NordGen)	
14:40-15:00	Genetic studies of wool colour in Swedish sheep breeds, Anna Maria Johansson (Associate Professor, SLU, Sweden)	
15:00- 15:20	Genetic studies of the Old Norse Sheep, Cathrine Brekke (Postdoctoral Researcher, NMBU, Norway)	
15:20-15:40	Current wool projects in NordGen, Mervi Honkatukia (Section Leader, NordGen)	
15:40-16:00	Genomic characterisation of Nordic Landrace sheep breeds, NoLa Sheep – the data so far, Ellen White (PhD Student, NordGen)	
16:00-16:30	Coffee break	
16:30-17:00	Discussion on the status of sheep and wool in Nordics (moderator Anne Kettunen, Senior Scientist, NordGen)	
18:00 - late	Social dinner at a local restaurant.	At own expense.

Thursday 12th of February

09:00-13:15	SESSION 3: Wool quality aspects and insights from key sectors.	
9:00-9:20	The Faroese sheep sector, Jens Ivan í Gerðinum (Agricultural Advisor, Head of Department, Búnaðarstovan, The Faroe Islands)	Búnaðarstovan or the neighboring farm
9:20-10:00	Keynote presentation: Information about the Norwegian wool grading system, and key wool characteristics of different type of Norwegian wool, Siv Heia Uldal (Head of Norwegian Wool Advising Office, Animalia, Norway)	
10:15-10:45	Coffee Break	
10:45-11:15	Country Overviews: Faroe Islands: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Faroese wool collection and yarn production on the Faroe Islands, Dorthea Joensen (Administrative staff, Búnaðarstovan) • Future use and demand for Faroese wool products: Industry perspectives, Óla Kristian á Torkilsheyggi (Chief Executive Officer, Navia) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • National Wool Systems and grading methods • Production: volume estimates and production systems • Processing practices and industry landscape • Key challenges and future opportunities
11:15-11:30	Finland: Native Breeds and Wool in Finland and in Northern Europe, Satu Kumpulainen (Sheep Farmer/Wool Expert, Isokummun kehräämö)	
11:30-11:45	Iceland: Icelandic wool: Production, characteristics, sorting and utilization, Emma Eyþórsdóttir (former Associate Professor, Agricultural University of Iceland)	
11:45-12:00	Norway: Wool from Norway's conservation sheep breeds – the complete wool value chain, Ingvild Espelien (Project Leader, Selbu Spinnery)	
12:00-12:15	Sweden: Swedish Wool on the move - systems, grading and the future of the fiber, Liselotte Öhring (Wool Consultant and Apprentice Wool Grader, Hällunge Ull)	
12:15-13:00	Lunch	
13:00-17:00	SESSION 4: Stakeholder spotlight – bring, show and share!	
13:00-15:30	Hands-on wool evaluation led by Satu Kumpulainen, Ingvild Espelien and Joana V. Bjarnastein. Comparison of existing grading systems (Norwegian and Swedish) – with demonstrations. Sorting of local wool – a hands-on activity with practical guidance and active exchange of knowledge among participants, special focus on Faroese wool.	Búnaðarstovan or the neighboring farm Active participation encouraged! Stakeholders are invited to bring wool, fleece, yarn, and crafted items (knitted, woven, or felted products) to showcase and spark conversation.
15:30-16:00	Coffee break	
16:00-16:50	Guidance of collection of representative wool samples – discussion and demonstration of best practices (led by Ingvild Espelien)	An opportunity to explore the exhibition.
16:50-17:00	Closing remarks - The day's insights and reflections, and a look ahead at future opportunities within NordWool network (Anne Kettunen, NordGen).	The session is open to the public.