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### 1. Participants of the meeting

On the NSV-meeting in Finland in 1999 it was proposed to invite scientist from the Baltic countries who were working in the field of Wood Science and Technology, to the NSV-meeting to be held in Norway in 2000. SNS supported the proposal and decided to cover all the costs concerning travelling and accomodation for three baltic participants in the meeting.

Including the baltic participants the NSV-meeting 2000, arranged at Røros, Norway 27.05.00 – 29.05.00, had 18 participants from Litauen, Latvia, Estland, Finland, Sweden, Denmark and Norway.

It was the first time where people from the Baltic countries participated in a NSV-meeting. The names and adresses for the paticipants from the Baltic countries are as follows:

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## 2. Financing of the meeting

The arrangement had a total budget of 65.000 NOK, included a budget for the participants from Balticum. The nordic participants had to finance their travelling to Norway by themselves. The participants from the baltic countries were fullfinanced (travel and accomodation) by SNS.

The meeting was arranged from Saturday 27.05.00 to Monday 29.05.00 to get cheap air tickets for those who had to travel by air.

## 3. Excursions

### Excursion 1. Theme: Use of wood in a historical mining society

Røros (Røros Bergstad) was established as a mining town (1645) with a need of great supply of timber in connection with the mining activities. The mining industry came to a standstill in 1975. Røros is to-day one of the worlds culture treasures, adopted on UNESCOs World Cultural and Heritage List. With exception of a few buildings Røros consist mostly of old wooden buildings.

### Excursion 2. Theme: Use of wood materials of special quality

The Material Bank at Røros was established to supply restauration work of UNESCO's cultural heritage treasure, with wood materials of special quality. Wood materials with high percentage of heartwood and narrow year-rings is sorted out for restoration of old buildings and for use in new buildings.

## 4. Presentation of papers

On the meeting 9 papers were presented. The papers will be published in "Proceedings from the NSV-meeting at Røros 2000". The titles of the papers were:

Marketta Sipi: Mechanical processing of birch, aspen and alder in Finland

Erik Persson: Storage of wood

Andreas Bergstedt: Juvenile wood in Norway Spruce

Peder Gjerdrum: Spiral grain: Helixes in forestry

Simen Gjølshjøl: Bioenergy as an energy source at a new airport

Knut Finstad: Customer adaption to timber deliveries

Henn Tuherm: Studies of the properties of Latvian Scotch pine wood

Jonas Saladis: Studies on mechanical wood properties from three Lithuanian forest yield regions

Regino Kask: Investigation of properties of Estonian pine wood

## **5. Finished NSV-projects**

The work on the NSV-project "Processing of Nordic Hardwood" is finished and a final report is published.

## **6. New NSV-projects**

NSV decided to prepare a new project, with a temporary title "Wood Supply", which is intended to be an EU-project. Torbjørn Elowson is appointed to be the scientific leader and Erik Persson to be the secretary of the project.

NSV decided to start the work of preparing a new project with the temporary title "Wood Quality of Larix spp. Kjell Vadla is responsible of working out a project sketch to the next NSV-meeting in 2001..

## **7. Next meeting**

The next NSV-meeting is to be arranged in Sweden in 2001, possibly in the last days of March, owing to the SNS's final date for project applications (01.06.01) . Torbjørn Elowson and Christina Lundberg were elected to be chairman and secretary, respectively, of the arrangement. Deadline for application of financial support from SNS: 01.09.00.

## **8. NSV-meeting 2002**

The NSV-meeting at Røros accepted an invitation from Latvia to arrange the NSV-meeting in 2002 in Latvia.

22.06.00. Torbjørn Okstad