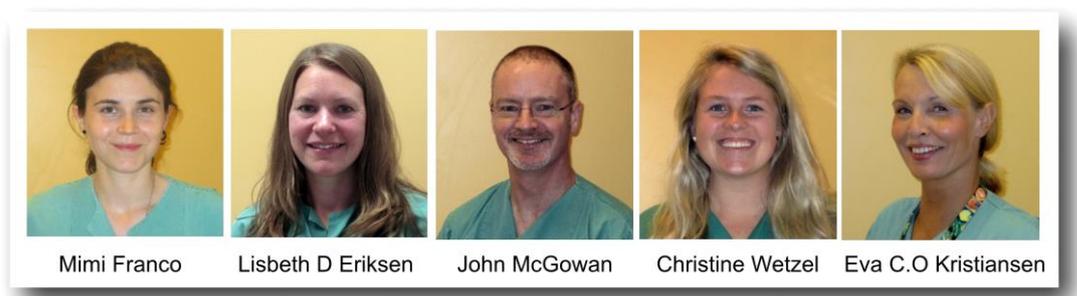




About NNIRC

NNIRC is a not-for-profit organisation registered in Norway (org.nr 915 630 170) constituted specifically to organise this event, and in a wider sense to promote and facilitate contact between colleagues in our target group.

The present Committee consists of -



Mimi, Lisbeth, and Christine are radiographers in angio/interventional radiology, John is senior radiographer in neurointervention, and Eva is well known in the region as a highly respected and experienced radiographer in neurointervention. She is manager of the Angio/interventional radiology and Ultrasound Unit at Oslo University Hospital, Rikshospitalet where all of the current committee are currently in practice.

History and development of the NNIRC

The course now announced builds on the hard work of several "generations". As the role of the radiographer in interventional radiology has developed over the years, so too has the need for specific education, training, guided practice, and exchanges of experience between practitioners.

The development of the role of the radiographer in this field was described at Karolinska Hospital, Stockholm in 1997 at the **"Nordisk Kurs i Interventionell Neuroradiologi för sjuksköterskor och radiografer"** where Margareta Ericson credited Dr Pål Svendsen as a driving force from as early as 1981. Amongst renowned contributors at this course were Dr Svendsen, Prof Kai Ericson, and Prof. Per Nakstad.

More recently **"Nordisk Utbildning for Interventions Sköterskor"** at the same centre in January 2013 was organised by Radiographers Johanna Doshé and Maggie Östman with Dr Tommy Andersson. The focus was on Stroke treatment, Stenosis, AVMs and Flow Diverters with amongst others Drs Michael Södermann and Mats Cronquist.

By 2014 the NNIRC was taking form, as Radiographers Mona Ekman, Kim Theill and Anne Kirch

organised the **"Nordic Neurointerventional Radiology Course -NNIRC"** in Copenhagen, delivering a highly successful course attracting over 50 participants from Denmark, Sweden, Norway, Belgium, and Germany. Among the highly respected speakers were Prof. Rene Chapot and Dr Markus Holmanspötter.

At a meeting after the course, there was enthusiasm for continuing the tradition, passing on the baton to a new organising committee. Today the NNIRC is a not-for-profit organisation registered in Norway (org.nr 915 630 170) constituted specifically to organise this event, and in a wider sense to promote and facilitate contact between colleagues in our target group.

Future of the NNIRC

We very much hope that the course will be arranged every two years, being held in different centres of excellence in each of the participating countries.