XXXVII Nordic NIR Meeting
Reykjavik, 30 August – 1 September 2026
Venue: Hilton Reykjavik Nordica

Please note that the programme is subject to change

Sunday, 30 August 2026

17:00–19:00 Welcome Reception

Monday, 31 August 2026, 08:15–15:35 Conference at Hilton Reykjavik Nordica

08:00–08:30 Registration

Time	Agenda	Speakers
08:30-08:40	Welcome and Introduction	President of the Icelandic Association
08:40-09:00	Conference opening	Borghildur Erlingsdóttir, Director General of the Icelandic Intellectual Property Office (ISIPO)
09:00–10:15	Update on developments in the Nordic Countries	*Denmark*: Nicolaj Bording, partner, Kromann Reumert *Finland*: Åsa Krook, Parter at Waselius Attorneys *Iceland*: To be confirmed *Norway*: Anne Marie Sejersted, partner at Advokatfirmaet Wiersholm AS *Sweden*: Karin Cederlund, Attorney at Law, Partner, Sandart
10:15-10:35	Coffee break	

10:35–11:05	Consequences of the joined cases MIO (C–580/23) and KONEKTRA (C–795/23), and the subsequent DEITY Shoes decision (C–323/24)	Speaker: Johan Løje, Attorney at Law, LLM, LØJE IP
11:05-12:05	MIO / KONEKTRA and DEITY Shoes – panel discussion / Q&A Moderator: Johan Løje, Attorney at Law, LLM, LØJE IP	Panellists: *Denmark*: To be confirmed *Finland*: Heidi Härkönen, Docent at Turku University. *Iceland*: To be confirmed *Norway*: Professor Torger Kielland, Faculty of Law, University of Bergen *Sweden*: Katarina Strömholm, Attorney at Law, Strömholm Advokatbyå
12:05–13:05	Lunch	
13:05–13:35	Presumption of validity in IP cases: introduction of the Danish Supreme Court's decision handed down 8 January 2026 (Bayer's patent DK/EP 1 845 961)	Speaker: Eirik Basmo Ellingsen, partner, BAHR
13:35-14:35	Presumption of validity – panel discussion / Q&A Moderator: Eirik Basmo Ellingsen, partner, BAHR	Panellists: *Denmark*: Patris Hajrizaj, partner, Bugge Valentin *Finland*: Rainer Hilli, Partner at Roschier Attorneys *Iceland*: Ásdís Magnúsdóttir, Attorney at Law, Árnason Faktor *Norway*: Lars Erik Steinkjer, Partner, Gjessing

		Sweden: Åsa Hellstadius, Attorney at Law, Expert, Vinge Law Firm
14:35–14:55	Coffee break	
14:55-15:25	Prospects of a Joint UPC Nordic-Baltic Regional Division - including the Baltic states, Denmark, Finland and Sweden.	Speaker: Sture Rygaard, Attorney at Law, Partner, Plesner
15:25-16:25	Joint Nordic-Baltic UPC Regional Division – panel discussion Moderator: Sture Rygaard, Attorney at Law, Partner, Plesner The panel will consider: • the pros and cons of a joint UPC Nordic-Baltic Regional Division • input for preferred practices, including possibility of hearing expert witnesses • general support, suggestions for next steps	Panellists: *Nordic UPC Judges (LQJ):* Petri Rinkinen (FI), Peter Agergaard (DK) Stefan Johansson (SE) *Denmark*: Nicolaj Bording, Kromann Reumert *Finland*: Rainer Hilli, Roschier Attorneys *Sweden*: Julia Ericsson, Sandart *Industry representative* (to be confirmed)

Social programme, Monday 31 August 2026:

17:30–19:00 Reception (venue to be confirmed)

19:00–23:00 Dinner (venue to be confirmed)

Tuesday, 1 September 2026, 08:30–14:00 Conference at Hilton Reykjavik Nordica

08:30–09:00 Registration

Time	Agenda	Speakers
09:00–09:30	Design Law Reform: EU Design Directive 2024/2823	Speaker: Professor em., Dr h.c. Marianne Levin, Stockholm University, Sweden
09:30–10:30	Design Law Reform – panel discussion / Q&A Moderator: Professor em., Dr h.c. Marianne Levin, Stockholm University, Sweden	Panellists: *Denmark*: To be confirmed *Finland*: Harri Salmi, Member and Alternate Chairperson of the Second Board of Appeal at EUIPO. *Iceland*: Brynhildur Pálmarsdóttir, Senior Adviser, Ministry of Culture, Innovation and Higher Education *Norway*: Elisabeth Ohm, partner at Brækhus, Norway *Sweden*: Christina Wainikka, Policy Expert for IP rights, Confederation of Swedish Enterprise
10:30–11:00	Coffee break	
11:00–11:30	Cross-border / Transnational IP Issues in International Private Law	Speaker: Lydia Lundstedt, Jur dr, Associate professor, Private International Law, Stockholm University
11:30–12:30	Panel discussion / Q&A Moderator: Lydia Lundstedt, Jur dr, Associate professor, Private International Law, Stockholm University	Panellists: *Denmark*: To be confirmed *Finland*: Juhani Sinkkonen, LLD student at Helsinki University (former Senior Associate at Roschier Attorneys)

		Iceland: To be confirmed *Norway*: Camilla Vislie, Partner, Thommessen *Sweden*: Docent Lydia Lundstedt, Senior Lecturer, Stockholm University
12:30–13:00	Closing remarks	
13:00–14:00	Lunch	