

## **COWIfonden support to international conference about the future working environment**

In August 2019, IDA Arbejdsmiljø will host the 50<sup>th</sup> conference of the Nordic Ergonomic Society (NES). Held in English, the conference's theme will be: Future Work: Digitalisation and Innovation. In addition to highlighting how digitalisation affects our working environment, the conference will include professional sessions on employee involvement, organisational working environment, risk analysis, musculoskeletal issues, psychosocial working environment, working environment regulations and much more. The conference is a unique chance to meet scientists and practitioners, especially from the Nordic countries, but also from many other countries.

The NES conference is held each year, and the five Nordic countries – Denmark, Sweden, Norway, Finland and Iceland – take turns assuming the host role and financial responsibility. The Nordic Ergonomics and Human Factors Society (NES) was founded in 1969, meaning that the 2019 conference will celebrate the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of NES.

The overall theme of the conference will be research and development in ergonomics and human factors, focusing on how these factors will be affected by future work, which includes digitalisation and innovation on the agenda. The sub-themes of the conference are wide-ranging and are available on the website under 'Call for papers': <http://www.nes19.dk/Call-for-Papers>.

The conference aims to bring together researchers and practitioners from the Nordic countries especially, but other countries as well. The conference participants meet to present and discuss their findings, to compare and be inspired by different methods and approaches within their disciplines, and to share experiences with practitioners among authorities, consultants and organisations.

The conference's focus on future work is relevant to everyone involved in working environmental disciplines, in the management and design of productions and processes, and in sustainability perspectives.

Given the overall focus of the conference, we expect to contribute to a discussion of how human factors and ergonomics can promote a human-centred development of future work, and develop suggestions for how to address current and future challenges.

Read more at the conference website: [www.nes19.dk](http://www.nes19.dk)