

Asbjørn is dead!

I couldn't believe the sad news when I received the phone call about his sudden death, were thinking it cannot be true. And I still cannot believe it. My second thought was I will miss him, his humorous funny appearance at the conference, always friendly, always ready to make a joke, ready to party with ENAS friends at night.

I had the pleasure to know Asbjørn since 1999 when he showed up the first time at the second ENAS conference in Aachen, Maastricht and Liège. Since then he was the humorous, little bit crazy Viking from Norway which made a lot of people laugh, especially through his speeches at several conferences telling us not to take things and life too serious.

On the other hand I realized that Asbjørn could be very serious, when it came to his own life and his professional work. I learned that his sport centre had the best GYM all over Norway and an excellent sport service at his university and he was ready to enlarge the service whenever possible.

In 2001 he joined the ENAS committee as a representative of the Nordic Network in which he was very active. At the beginning ENAS started with financial deficit, because of the basic investment for the organization we had to make. He made a great contribution to our organization and acquired the first big Sponsor and helped ENAS to start up. He was joking that he was now the financial owner of ENAS at this time.

During all the meetings we had and all the trips we did together I also experienced that "funny" Asbjørn as very serious and caring father for his daughter.

To know that Asbjørn will never be at our conferences anymore is very sad, but I am sure he would prefer that we always remember him with a smile on our face, to remember to enjoy life and to take it easy.

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