

NORA

Norwegian Artificial Intelligence Research Consortium



Norway's first National Strategy for Artificial Intelligence launched

On Tuesday 14th January 2020 Minister of Digitalisation, Nikolai Astrup, launched Norway's first strategy for Artificial Intelligence, less than a year after Prime Minister and the Minister announced that the Government will be launching such a strategy.



Artificial Intelligence breakfast seminar with Centre for Digital Life Norway and NORA

The renowned professor Arnaldo Frigessi at Faculty of Medicine, UiO, will be talking about Artificial Intelligence and medicine - with examples and critical thoughts. This event will also initiate NORA and Center for Digital Life Norway series of breakfast seminars about artificial intelligence.

Date, time and place: 7th February, 8:00 AM–9:30 AM, Institutt for informatikk, Realfagsbiblioteket, Oslo

[Read more about the event here.](#) **No registration is required. Breakfast will be served.**



NORA PhD Symposium

NORA is organizing an informative, exciting, two-day lunch to lunch PhD symposium 25-26 February about AI-related topics for PhD students; followed by an informal dinner and social event. The target group is PhD-students in the starting phase, specially those financed by Research Council of Norway. This event will also initiate NORA's Research School.

The program has been finalised, and proud to have so many great speakers!

[View the entire program and register here by 10th of February - limited seats available!](#)



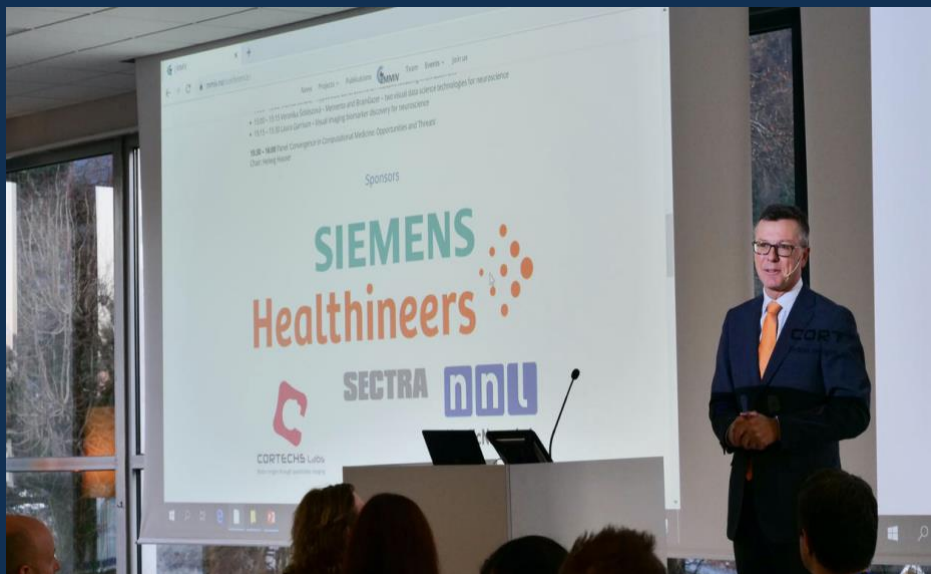
Norway's first Facebook grant for UiT researchers

The machine learning group at UiT the Arctic University of Norway has received a grant from Facebook to conduct research on fake news and comment sections in social media. This is the first time Facebook has allocated money for research in Norway.

CLAIRE

Want to know more about CLAIRE? ***The Network for AI Research***

The network for artificial intelligence research, set up by experts across all of Europe, complements the new European Commission's focus on human-centred, trustworthy AI, aiming to create critical mass for AI made in Europe. Exactly for that purpose, the Confederation of Laboratories for AI Research in Europe (CLAIRE) was established.



Technology met medicine at the second annual MMIV-conference

In December, the second annual MMIV Conference entitled "Convergence of medical data science for improved patient care" was held at Bikuben, Haukeland University Hospital.



Brain cancer is detected faster with Artificial Intelligence

Artificial Intelligence allows radiologists to see how cancer behaves in the brain. For patients, this means faster and safer diagnoses.

(In Norwegian)



Beneficial Intelligence?

Seven Norwegian universities and two research organizations have joined forces in a joint initiative on Artificial Intelligence. Klas H. Pettersen, who heads the initiative writes about how Artificial Intelligence detects cancer, about how it characterizes your experience of the Internet and why it can discriminate against women and people of color.

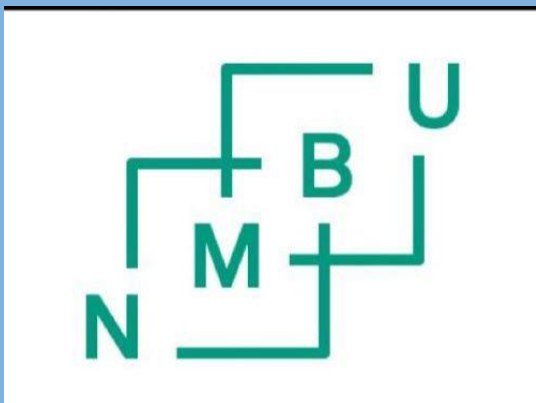
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Save the date for NORA's annual conference!

NORA will be hosting its first annual conference **21st of April 2020** in Oslo. Save the date! More information will follow soon!

This is an event you can't miss if you are interested in Artificial Intelligence, machine learning and robotics!



[Postdoctoral fellow within autonomous navigation or applications for robots in agriculture](#)

Are you eager to work with state-of-the-art agricultural robots in real farm environments? NMBU are looking for a talented individual to join their team!

Application deadline: 1st February 2020



[Standard Morgen: Kan internasjonale standarder styre kunstig intelligens i ønsket retning?](#)

Kunstig intelligens (KI) kan løse store globale utfordringer, men teknologien gir oss også betydelige utfordringer, ikke minst etiske. Delta på Standard Norges frokostmøte 5. februar kl. 0830 for diskutere nettopp dette.

Apply for funding

The deadlines for the open calls for funding from The Research Council of Norway are announced and the year 2020 creates new opportunities to seek and receive funding to support your research ideas. There are many

open calls for funding, and we would like to mention just a few of them:

- [Researcher Project for Scientific Renewal](#) (subtopic “Enabling technologies”), from 4 to 12 million kr. Deadline: May 6th 2020
- [Three-year Researcher Project with International Mobility](#) (topic “Groundbreaking research) from 3,0 to 3,9 million kr. Deadline; May 6th 2020
- [Researcher Project for Young Talents](#) (topic “Groundbreaking research”), from 4,0 to 8,0 million kr. Deadline: May 6th 2020

[A full list of open calls can be found here.](#)

NORA can support you

All the projects need to be built on the grounds of research collaboration. NORA, as a research network, can contribute to better networking, dissemination and increase the visibility of your research. You are welcome to contact us for support letter or other types of mediation if needed.



What's on?

Upcoming courses

Machine learning fundamentals course

Target group: Both academia and industry

When: February 19-20, 2020

What: Simula Consulting together with Machine Learning Genova Center organise a course on Machine Learning Fundamentals. The course is a modified version of the long-standing successful courses taught at the University of Genova and MIT, and focus on the fundamental methods of modern ML, providing participants with the knowledge needed to get started with ML. The course is tailored towards professionals with a technical competence and basic programming skills.

[More information about the course and registration form is available here.](#)

International Summer School at OsloMet

Oslo Metropolitan University is now accepting applications for the International Summer School scheduled to take place 6 – 31 July 2020. Courses – both with 10 ECTS and 5 ECTS variants – will be offered through the Department of Computer Science at the Faculty of Technology, Art and Design.

- [Neuro-insights: Data Science Approaches in Neuroscience I, 5 ECTS](#)
- [Neuro-insights: Data Science Approaches in Neuroscience II, 10 ECTS](#)

Applications are accepted until **1 February 2020**. For more information about the programme or application process, please visit the OsloMet International Summer School website and to follow updates join our Facebook group. If you have any additional questions you can reach us at summer@oslomet.no.

Upcoming public lectures, seminars and conferences

Machine Learning Seminars by SimulaMet - Dependable Machine Learning: Training Data Quality and Interpretability

With [Prof. Wallapak Tavanapong](#) from Iowa State University, USA.

Date and place: 12:00 pm on Monday 20 January, Pilestredet 52, OsloMet AI Lab

[1st International Workshop on Language Technology Platforms](#)

IWLTP 2020 – CO-LOCATED WITH LREC 2020

When: 6 May 2020

Where: Marseille, France

Frokostmøte - [Hvordan vil du merke effekten av KI-strategien?](#)

Når: Klokka 08:30 til 10:00, mandag 3. februar 2020

Do you miss your public lecture, seminar and conference related to artificial intelligence, machine learning and robotics in this list? Please let us know at contact@nora.ai.

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