



INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS' UNION OF NORWAY

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International Students' Union of Norway (ISU) **Report**

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ISU General Info and Objective

ISU is an independent, democratic, non-profit, non-partisan organization run for and by international students. We are committed to the social, academic and political interests of all international students studying in Norway. ISU's national administration is located in Oslo, with a National President, two Vice Presidents and an Organizational Secretary. ISU member organizations are located at 12 institutions of higher education around Norway. ISU's basic funding is from the Norwegian Government with an annual amount of 220.000,00 NOK. We have solid cooperation agreements with SAIH, NSU and StL.

Overview of Report Period

The period from mid March until mid April 2008 has been mainly a continuation of previous activities related to organizing ISU and preparing for upcoming National Assembly. Other major activities were when ISU Vice President attended StL's Landsmøte in Hamar and National President attended NSU's Landsting in Stavanger.

During this period, we had a meeting with Spire Internasjonal board members, presented each other and discussed possible cooperation. We also had a very fruitful brainstorming workshop with Bente Gundersen from Senter for internasjonalisering av høgre utdanning (SIU). We discussed SIU approach on their website and upcoming survey.

We finally moved out of our office and soon to relocate with NSU at Storgata 11, Oslo.

Table.1 Summary of official meetings that ISU have been invited to and attended:

Meeting	Date	Place
UiTø 's 40 Year Anniversary	26 – 28 March 2008	Tromsø
Spire Internasjonal – Board	2 April 2008	Oslo
SIU – Workshop	6 April 2008	Oslo
StL Landsmøte	11 – 13 April 2008	Hamar
NSU Landsting	11 – 13 April 2008	Stavanger

Up-coming Activities and Meetings

National Assembly (NAi08) in Trondheim, April 18 to 20, 2008: We are ready and excited!

Acknowledgments

ISU would like to thank both partners, StL and NSU for their support and inclusion of our organization at their national meetings. We would also like to thank volunteers that translated for National President during NSU's Landsting, with special thanks to Rebecca Charboneau for her kind efforts. ISU would also like to thank both ISU UMB's President and Vice President Lindsay Ringer and Gori Gjini for attending the SIU workshop and contributing beautifully to the discussions. ISU would also like to thank ISU Tromsø's President Mohammad Kabir and his team for their kind efforts in arranging the invitation by their university for National President to attend the university's 40 year anniversary.

Special thanks for ISU Trondheim for their fabulous work in organizing the upcoming National Assembly.