



## Lars Nord (1958–2024)

**Lars Nord** was a valued member of the Mediadelcom project's consortium not only because of his professional achievements, but very much for the inspiring and dedicated way he contributed to the common goals of the project. The Mediadelcom project's main theme – deliberative communication for the democracy – entirely coincided

with one of his main interests of research, namely media policy and democracy. His input in conceptualizing deliberative communication as the project's pivotal theoretical framework was essential for the whole project's success.

When collaborating with Mediadelcom (2020–2024), Lars Nord was Professor and Chair of political communication at Mid-Sweden University in Sundsvall. He had also been Director of the Centre for Study of Democracy and Communication (DEMICOM) at the same University in 2006–2019. In addition to media policy and democracy, his area of expertise embraced political journalism, crisis communication, and digital election campaigns. Lars was a well-known scholar in his field not only in Sweden, but also internationally, actively participating in conferences and collaborative projects. He is well remembered by many from IAMCR and NordMedia conferences.

Lars has a publications list of over 250 journal articles, book chapters, books, conference papers and reports. He also co-authored many reports and publications of the Mediadelcom consortium. Through this work, Lars will always be with us.

When Lars did not arrive at the project's final conference in Brussels in February 2024, we did not yet know that Mediadelcom would be his last international project. The consortium members from 14 European countries will keep alive his memory in their hearts.

*Epp Lauk on behalf of the Mediadelcom consortium  
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