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### **PREFACE**

Utilizing the “third dimension” i.e. underground space for infrastructural facilities like traffic tunnels, miscellaneous municipal facilities, energy plants and different types of storage has been a natural choice in the development of the Nordic countries for a long time. For an even longer period of time, the mines have brought welfare and work opportunities to our society. Understanding of rock mechanics is vital and plays an important part in this development.

Rock mechanics is an acknowledged science and well proven from projects and mines. However, challenges to increase efficiency and safety in our operations calls for a continued open discussion and exchange of ideas within our field of expertise. That is why we gather once more after the first meeting “Rock mechanics in the Nordic countries” year 2010 in Kongsberg, Norway.

This second rock mechanical symposium consists of oral and poster presentations together with a Professional Discussion within the areas of research, current state of practice and case histories.

The work of carrying this year’s symposium was managed by the Rock Engineering Research Foundation - BeFo in Sweden together with the Organising & Scientific Committee and Advisory Committee consisting of dedicated people from companies and academia to make this symposium a memorable event.

We wish that the symposium will lead to fruitful discussions and up-coming ideas. The contributors being authors of articles published within this proceeding are highly acknowledged. Without high-level articles the symposium would not have taken place. A special welcome is directed to the students that have found that the symposium can give them guidance in their work opportunities to come.

Welcome!

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