

**Lederkonferanse for den samvirkende redningstjeneste**

Leader conference of cooperating rescue services

The annual leader's conference took place at Sola in January 11, 2005. The Forum for rescue activities of voluntary organizations (FORF) was invited. The author represented NGRT.

Minister of Justice Dørum welcomed the assembly to what he termed a meeting of the "extended family" of rescuers. Police chief Sønnerland emphasized that the entire apparatus depends on the activities of the volunteers and: "... it is not during operations that one trains and lays plans. This must be done in between. In the daily efforts the basis is laid for increased individual and cooperative competence, making the community better equipped to meet extraordinary challenges."

FORF was presented in its entirety. 15,000 operations were orchestrated by FORF in 2004 and 2.5 million hours spent in exercise.