



## **NAV – industrial heritage and labour history museums in western Sweden**

NAV is a network for museum associations and organizations in the Swedish Region Västra Götaland (VGR).

NAV is commissioned by VGR to support and develop labour history museums and industrial heritage associations.

NAV was formed to strengthen the collaboration between these museums and associations.

VGR strives to have well developed cultural operations with different activities to provide a broad selection to the region's inhabitants.

## Background

VGR has a rich industrial- and labour history heritage that is kept alive and administered by different associations and museums.



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In May 2011, the association NAV was officially founded after functioning as a network between labour history museums for several years.

## About NAV

NAV is a non-profit independent association. NAV serves to:

- strengthen the identity of industrial heritage and labour history museums and associations
- contribute to networking and contacts between its members
- coordinate work in common issues
- disseminate information about the members' operations
- increase the general knowledge about the past to prepare for future issues
- arrange courses to strengthen our members' chances to develop and live on
- maintain close contact with universities teaching technology and culture
- maintain close contact with ArbetSam on issues that affect labour history museums.

## Would you like to know more, and become a member?

Visit our website [www.navivast.se](http://www.navivast.se). Here you can find further information on our association, our members, and the different activities we arrange.



Gothenburg Belting Works (Remfabriken i Göteborg)

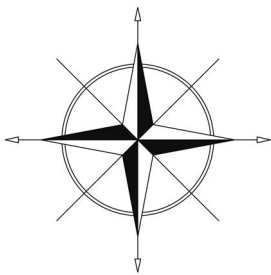
Many issues and challenges are similar for many of our members. If we coordinate our interests we can affect the municipal, regional and state authorities that greatly influence our cultural heritage, its preservation and future development.

NAV will not, and cannot, pursue individual member's issues but we have a well established network in VGR where we can mediate contacts and support networking and different interests within the region.



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Membership is open to labour history and industrial heritage museums and associations, study circles, archives associations, companies and organizations, groups and individuals that support our objectives.



## LIVING HISTORICAL GEMS!

*We forge, we weave, we sail, we operate trains, we build boats, we bake bread in stone ovens, we carve stone, we drive steamboats, we make knots, we work timber, we dig peat, we blow glass, we weave baskets, we make paper, we mill, we operate locks, we ride trams, we preserve, and run small and large machines.*

*History comes to life at the labour history museums! The labour history museums are run by associations and dedicated individuals that are committed to preserving and displaying their knowledge and memories from a particular workplace. Welcome to visit these enthusiasts in exciting environments around VGR .*

*NAV promotes the non-profit work that contributes to the strong cultural life available in western Sweden's many museums .*

*On [www.navivast.se](http://www.navivast.se) and [www.industrihistoria.se](http://www.industrihistoria.se) you can find labour history museums and other industry heritage places in western Sweden .*

*We are not only near, we also look out for your interests! Welcome !*

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