



A different European conference *Denmark presents a world of exciting opportunities*

The wide range of activities offered by Ranum Efterskole College makes it possible to make a different and exciting European conference



At the end of July 2023 the National Scout and Guide Fellowship of Denmark throws the doors open for a new and interesting form of European conference.

In Denmark many youngsters spend one year at a folk high school/continuation school where they live together and the subjects offered differ from the ordinary school subjects. The aim is education and culture combined with tolerance through togetherness. Folk high schools have become very popular among seniors who participate in short courses, whereas many young people spend their ninth school year at a continuation school whose teaching principles are similar to the ones at a folk high school.

Ranum Efterskole College is one of Denmark's largest continuation schools accommodating more than 400 pupils. In the days from 30 July till 3 August, we take over the whole school and are allowed to use all its facilities.

Ranum is situated in the northern part of Jutland near the beautiful Lim Fiord. Although there are less than 1,000 inhabitants in the village, it is the municipality's fifth largest. The closest town is Aalborg which is the "capital" of Northern Jutland and has approx. 150,000 inhabitants. The ride takes approx. one hour.



How do I get to Ranum

- Ranum is a 30 minute drive from motorway E45
- Bus transfer from Aalborg Airport, Billund Airport and Aalborg Station will be arranged.

Welcome to Ranum

Activities at Ranum Efterskole College

There are many possibilities, so the conference group is busy making the selection, for we cannot do it all. This picture is just one example of the many school subjects. In this case marine environment, including the coral reefs of the world – the pupils study the subject and grow corals, too.



We may use the whole school, e.g. the school's cinema, where presentations from the participants can be shown. Outdoor activities will be available, and a collective campfire will be arranged. Kitchen facilities are at our disposal, too, which means that you will be able to prepare your own traditional dishes and present them to the others. A wide range of handicrafts will also be available.

Togetherness • Inspiration • Sustainability

You will be able to meet and live in accordance with the theme of the conference every day of the conference – not only on the 2 August, but also when you are participating in activities, are together, eating or partying.

The course of the European conference 2023 will be as follows:

Sunday 30 July

arrival and opening

Monday 31 July

meetings and activities

Tuesday 1 August

all-day outings

Wednesday 2 August

11th European conference

The day ends up with a gala night.

Thursday 3 August

departure

After the conference you may participate in home hospitality or an "after tour".

With the words *togetherness – inspiration – sustainability* the National Scout and Guide Fellowship of Denmark invites you to the 11th ISGF European conference. We are looking forward to opening the doors for our European Fellowship friends to four days of togetherness and inspiration.

We will present conference days focusing on being close to nature, showing how we look after our earth and create renewable energy, discussing topics on democracy, tolerance and information as the basis of sustainable living.

We will show you the beautiful and unknown part of Denmark

- where nature is influenced by the latest Ice Age,
- where close contact between sea and land forms a strong population,
- where community and cooperation support progress.

We will show you the country, where nothing is big and high. We will let you become acquainted with the unpredictable Danish summer while nights are still short and evenings long.

But first and foremost we will provide the settings of getting to know fellowship members from other countries. Through the creation of things, discussions and inspiration, we shall show each other how we can take care of our planet and live sustainably.

*Welcome to Denmark
and welcome to Ranum 2023*



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