

Newsletter no. 2



The folk high school – a Danish speciality



Over the years, ISGF European Conferences have been held in various localities and forms.

The 11th European Conference will be held as a folk high school stay at Ranum Efterskole College.

Ranum Efterskole College is a campus for more than 400 young people who come from more than 28 countries.

A stay at a folk high school in Denmark is in no way comparable to the internationally well-known concept "High School", but an almost 200 year old Danish tradition founded by the theologian and author N.F.S. Grundtvig and the educationist Christen Kold that later spread to the other Nordic countries.

The Danish folk high school was originally a type of school that was created to give "ordinary" people an insight into circumstances that enabled them to participate in social life.

What the folk high schools offer has been changed concurrently with the changes of the society.

However, courses at a Danish folk high school, whose main objective is "general information, existential education, and democratic training", must always involve teaching and togetherness.

In addition, all folk high schools have the following in common: "Fellowship, singing and reflection" – three key words characterising the 11th European Conference of ISGF.

We engage in togetherness e.g. by working together across borders, culture, gender and background.

We share the many activities that are offered during the stay, and you participate in the collective tasks that will contribute to EVERYBODY getting a good experience.

Each morning in connection with the morning assembly we will sing together.

Reflection is a result of e.g. group discussions and other acclivities that form part of the stay.

The rooms

We are to stay in the students' rooms as either single or double rooms. Two rooms share bathroom and toilet.

The beds will typically be full-sized bunk beds. Only the lower beds are to be used.



When can I register?

In February 2022 we open for registration for the conference via our website www.isgf-euro2023.dk.

Here you enter your data and read about the payment of the first rate of the registration fee.

Website under construction

The conference will get its own website. It will be available in English, French, German and Danish. Visit isgf-euro2023 or aisg-euro2023.dk.

On the website you can subscribe to the conference newsletters, so please forward this newsletter. Give as many as possible the opportunity to read about and — not least — participate in the European Conference.

The website is extended on an outgoing basis.

You will also be informed of the terms of opting out and the rules of refunding any paid fee.

When we have received your registration and you have paid the first rate, we send you an email to confirm your

participation in the conference.

Later on we will send you an email with information on choice of excursions and when to pay the rest of the registration fee.



Without food and drink

When more than 400 young people from almost 30 different countries are to be fed each day, a kitchen out of the ordinary is required.

Ranum Efterskole College possesses a restaurant level kitchen that is capable of complying with a wide range of

food requirements and habits. A vegetarian menu is always at hand, and consideration for allergies and other special needs will be taken into consideration. When registering, you will consequently be asked about any food requirements.

The program

Sunday 30 July Arrival. Conference opening in the evening.

Monday 31 July
Meetings. You will
meet the participants
from your own country
and then the others
from your subregion.
In the afternoon, work
in groups on the theme
of the conference.

Minor activities will also be available.

Tuesday 1 August
Excursions. Choose
between various excursions to experience
the northern part of
Jutland – all related to
the conference theme.

This day is also "world scarf day", on which day we should like all participants to wear a scarf just as many present and former scouts around the world.

In the evening there will be entertainment and an opportunity for the participants from the different countries to entertain.

Wednesday 2 August

The 11th European Conference. The day will end with a gala night with entertainment.

Thursday 3 August Thanks for now, have a safe home trip and see you soon.