

KIMO INTERNATIONAL ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING AND CONFERENCE 2026



MUNICIPAL PATHWAYS TO A CLEANER MARINE ENVIRONMENT

JOINTLY HOSTED BY

THE MUNICIPALITIES OF
NYBORG AND SLAGELSE,
DENMARK

7-8 OCTOBER 2026



Nyborg
KOMMUNE



SLAGELSE
KOMMUNE



SCHEDULE

7 OCTOBER 2026

13:30-14:30

Registration and Light Lunch

Location: Hotel Sinatur

14:30-18:00

KIMO Annual General Meeting

Location: Hotel Sinatur

19:00

Informal Dinner

Location: Hotel Sinatur

8 OCTOBER 2026

09:00-13:00

KIMO Conference

Location: Hotel Sinatur

13:00-14:00

Lunch

Location: Hotel Sinatur

14:15-18:00

Two study tours

Depart from and return to: Hotel Sinatur

19h00

Formal Dinner

with Kenneth Muhs, Mayor of Nyborg Municipality

Location: Hotel Hesselet



KIMO CONFERENCE PROGRAMME

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Arrival and Coffee (08:30-09:00)

PART 1: Opening Session – Setting the Scene (09:00-09:30)

Welcome

By Jørgen Grüner, Chair of KIMO Denmark & City Councillor, Slagelse Municipality and Ole Tyrtsted Jørgensen, Board Member of KIMO Denmark & City Councillor, Nyborg Municipality

The Ecological State of the Baltic Sea

By Rüdiger Strempe, Executive Secretary of the Helsinki Commission (online presentation)

PART 2: Enhancing the Marine Environment through Local Partnerships (9:30-10:30)

Supporting Municipalities Through Knowledge-Based Advice

Torben Bramming, Center for Marine Restoration

Examples of municipal partnerships

- *Odense Fjord Samarbejdet, Mark V. Eriksen, Head of Secretariat*
- *Køge Bugt Alliancen, Frederikke Lund Olskær, Coordinator*

Coffee Break (10:30-11:00)

PART 3: Municipal Pathways to Tackle PFAS Pollution (11:00-13:00)

Chemical Pollution and PFAS in Danish Waters

By Karen Panum Quedens Schaarup, Program Director, Waste & Pollution, the Ocean Institute

PFAS in the Local Environment: Former Korsør Fire Academy – From Sins of the Past to Solutions of the Future

By Bente Højlund Hyldegaard, Chief Technical Advisor at Region Zealand

Workshop: Waste Water Treatment as a Tool to Reduce Chemical Pollution incl. PFAS

How might municipalities use wastewater systems incl. identification of sources and new technologies to reduce pollution from PFAS and other chemicals?

Facilitated by Philip Thomsen, Consultant & Karen Panum Quedens Schaarup, Program Director, the Ocean Institute

Summary and Closing

Lunch (13:00-14:00)

KIMO CONFERENCE STUDY TOURS

8 OCTOBER 2026
14:15-18:00

Participants will be divided into two groups and attend **both** study tours. See the study tour descriptions below for more details.

Study Tour A: Sprogø Island Nature Restoration and Biodiversity

Located at the centre of Denmark's Great Belt, Sprogø provides a unique perspective on the interaction between major infrastructure and the natural environment.

With access typically restricted the guided tour will introduce Sund & Bælt's work to enhance biodiversity and restore habitats while maintaining one of Denmark's most significant transport corridors.



Study Tour B: Historic Nyborg A Historic Royal Town

Join a guided tour through the historic streets of Nyborg and discover how the town became a centre of royal power and political development during the Middle Ages.

The experience concludes with a historic local refreshment inspired by local traditions.

CONFERENCE HOTEL

SINATUR HOTEL

Storebælt Sinatur Hotel & Konference is located in Nyborg – just a few metres from the beach. The special location next to the Great Belt provides fantastic indoor light, while the nature outside invites you to fresh air, tranquility and experiences along the beach and coast

We have reserved a number of rooms for KIMO delegates. Please quote the following reservation number when booking: **1832178**

Website: <https://www.sinatur.dk/en/storebaelt/>

Phone: +45 6531 4002

Email: konf-stb@sinatur.dk

[Location on Google Maps](#)

GETTING HERE

Located at the foot of the Great Belt Bridge, the hotel is easily accessible by public transport with journey times of just under an hour and a half from Copenhagen and just over an hour and a half from Aarhus. The hotel is within walking distance of Nyborg and the train station.

Train tickets can be purchased in advance from the [DSB website](#) or directly at the airport.

For the added convenience of delegates, there will be one free shuttle bus between Copenhagen airport (CPH) and the hotel leaving around 12:00 on Wednesday 7 October 2026. There will also be a free return shuttle bus to Copenhagen airport departing around 09:00 on Friday 9 October 2026.

Please indicate on your registration form whether you would like to make use of the free shuttle bus service.



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