



## European Sustainable Energy Seminar - August 17-20/21, 2021 Venue: Nordic Folkecenter for Renewable Energy, Denmark

**Welcome** to the seminar on how to speed up the transition to sustainable energy with local solutions, popular engagement & sustainable energy policies. The seminar will bring together civil society and others working for the transition. We are looking forward sharing experiences, and formulating plans together for joint actions.

In 2021, INFORSE-Europe's Seminar focuses on community power, energy sufficiency, the solutions, and the transition with visions, scenarios and policies from local to global level.

#### From the Program:

- Transitions to Renewable Energy in Denmark, Ukraine, Belarus, UK, and in the whole of Europe, next steps, energy sufficiency, local solutions, and much more
- Community power successes and challenges in Denmark, Germany, Turkey, Poland, and EU.
- Global cooperation, global negotiations, and the challenges in the Global South
- Speakers will include the organisers and RESCOOP, Danish Aalborg University, CAT UK, Ecoact
- Guided Tours at the Folkecenter, to exceptional windpower, solar, biogas, energy communities.
- Developing Our Own Ideas for Projects, Activities.
- INFORSE-Europe's General Meeting (August 21)

**INFORSE** was established at the "Earth Summit" in Rio in 1992. INFORSE-Europe has 75 members in 35 countries. INFORSE members are networking on national, regional, EU and UN levels. INFORSE also has consultative status at UN ECOSOC and UNFCCC, and as such has been participating on the UN Climate conferences.

The event takes place at the Nordic Folkecenter for Renewable Energy, an NGO which focuses on the transition towards a 100% renewable energy society. The center displays various examples of sustainable solutions, starting from the conference hall, which is a beautiful demonstration of underground architecture. The Folkecenter is active in education, capacity building, testing & demonstration of different renewable energy solutions and it provides support to SMEs working in these fields. Active since 1983, the center has over the years educated thousands of people to sustainability and renewable energies. The Folkecenter is also active in developing countries, especially in Uganda and Mali, where sister organizations were established.

#### Registration Form is available for

- Participation incl. 3 Expert Guided Tours and accommodation at the Nordic Folkecenter for Renewable Energy.
- Participation online (If there is interest, we will organize some sessions with online participation).

**ORGANISERS:** 











The Event is organized by INFORSE-Europe in cooperation with Nordic Folkecenter for Renewable Energy, Denmark; WECF-Germany; Social Ecological Institute, Poland; Troya Turkey; in framework of Project "POWER of Community Energy" supported by EU Erasmus Plus, and REA, Ukraine; CES, Belarus; in framework of Project SELNEE supported by CISU, Denmark.







# **European Sustainable Energy Seminar August 17-21, 2021**

Organised by INFORSE-Europe & co-organised by members and partners.

Venue: Conference Center of the Nordic Folkecenter for Renewable Energy, Kammersgaardsvej 16, 7760 Hurup Thy, Denmark.



## Program\*:

Monday 16/8 Arrival
19.00 Dinner

#### Tuesday 17/8 Energy Transition Day & Guided Bus Tour to Wind & Solar

	8.00 Breakfast
Morning 8.45- 12.00	Welcome and Opening Jane Kruse, Director of Nordic Folkecenter for Renewable Energy and Henning Bo Madsen INFORSE-Europe Chair Presentations of Participants and program and seminar  The transition to renewable energy and a climate neutral Europe:  - How far are we? What can we expect from European New Green Deal and other European policies? Progress on national level, new developments with the corona crisis.  - Limits of the current policies and the blind spots in policy-making for sustainable energy Introduction by Gunnar Boye Olesen, INFORSE-Europe and professor Frede Hvelplund, Aalborg University, Denmark.  Group work: what are participants experiences and expectations of current transition policies? Summary of group work  Progress in sustainable energy solutions: also local:
	Progress in sustainable energy solutions: also local: - Energy efficiency and Ecodesign, Gunnar Boye Olesen, INFORSE-Europe/VE - Solar energy, local power and heating, Ursel Beckmann, Ecoact, Germany
	12.00 Lunch
Afternoon 12.50 - 17.30	Guided Tour with Bus:  - Østerild Off-shore wind test site, the world's biggest windmills on display  - Snedsted solar district heating with solar collector field  - Small Windpower test centre of Nordic Folkecenter for Renewable Energy
17.30 - 19.00	Guided Tour Walking at the Nordic Folkecenter for Renewable Energy, demonstration site of different type of solar cells, solar collectors, small windmills, exhibition of windmill history, bio-dome, water cleaning system.
	19.00 Dinner
20.00	Get together

The Program is subject to minor updates.



## Wednesday, 18/8 – Energy Communities Day

	8.00 Breakfast			
Morning 9-12	<ul> <li>Future of Energy Communities in European Countries</li> <li>Energy communities &amp; prosumers. Successes, what have they achieved?</li> <li>Roles in energy transition. European laws for energy communities and prosumers, new initiatives for Green New Deal. National laws, support, and barriers.</li> <li>Introduction by Gunnar Boye Olesen, Leire Gorroño, Aalborg University, Denmark. and Antonia Proka, RESCOOP.</li> <li>National examples of successes and challenges by Marilys Louvet and Marcela Noreña Ospina, WECF-Germany, Henning Bo Madsen, INFORSE-Europe, Zuzanna Sasiak, Poland; and Melis Yilmaz, Troya, Turkey.</li> </ul>			
	12.00 Lunch			
Afternoon 13-15	Our Experiences with Energy Communities, Guidelines for Success  How to organise energy communities? When do they succeed and when not? by Leire Gorroño.  Group work, sharing experiences of participants.  Conclusion in plenary: good practices for energy communities, guidelines for success.			
15.30- 16.45	Municipalities and Local Authorities as Keys for the Transition:  How Covenant of Mayor's drive the development? How municipalities in Belarus and Ukraine are leading transition? Danish green ambitions in municipalities.  Oleaxandra Tryboi, REA, Ukraine, Dima Burenkin, Belarus, Henning Donslund, Ringkøbing Municipality, Denmark.  Local solutions to save energy and use renewable energy – launch of database and email lists, Dima Burenkin, Belarus and Olexandra Tryboi, Ukraine  Repr. of CES, Belarus and REA, Ukraine, repr. of Danish Municipality.			
16.45 – 17.45	International Cooperation: - Global Climate Negotiations - North-South dialogue, sustainable energy and eco-villages in the global south. Presentations by Judit Szoleczky, INFORSE-Europe & Lumu Tonny Junior, Green Ambassador's Club of JEEP in Uganda. Plenary discussion			
19 Dinner				
20.00	Participant's presentations			

# Thursday, 19/8 Sufficiency Day - Guided Bus Tour to Biogas, Wind, Heatpump

	8.00 Breakfast		
Morning 9-11.30	<ul> <li>Transition to Sustainable Energy with Energy Sufficiency, Energy Efficiency, Renewable Energy:         Introduction of energy sufficiency as a third driver for the transition. Scenarios for the transition, in Western Europe, Belarus, Ukraine. Results of SELNEE Project.     </li> <li>Experiences on how to make the energy and climate transition happen. The wicked problems we face and wicked solutions we can use -, from national scenarios such as Zero Carbon Britain to county and local plans, including what citizens and local grassroots groups can do. Paul Allen, Centre for Alternative Technology, Wales,</li> <li>Energy sufficiency and energy transition in Denmark and EU, Gunnar Boye Olesen, VE &amp; INFORSE-Europe,</li> <li>Transition of Eastern Eur. countries, Olexandra Tryboi, Renewable Energy Agency, Ukraine, Dima Buronkin INFORSE - Europe</li> <li>Short group work Summary in plenary.</li> </ul>		
	11.30 Lunch		



Afternoon	Guided Tour with Bus to sites with prospective sustainable energy		
12 -	developments, energy communities:		
19.30	- Lemvig community biogas plant.		
	<ul> <li>Tvind, windmill, longest operating modern windmill at Tvind International School Centre. It is possible to go up and enter the top of the windmill.</li> </ul>		
	- Hvide Sande, windmills, local heating with large heat pump, solar heating, gas back-up.		
	- Local energy in Vedersø (house with solar and heat pump, on way back).		
19.30 Dinner			
20.3	Participants' presentations		

## Friday, 20/8

8.00 Breakfast					
Morning 9-12	Development of Joint, Future Activities: Introduction on opportunities. Brainstorm. Formation of groups. Development of proposals in groups.				
12. Lunch					
Afternoon	Plenary with Presentations from Groups, Discussions of Ideas and Proposals				
13-16	Group work: Next steps of developments, theory of change for proposals, objectives, outcome and activities, target groups, funding.  Presentations from group work.				
	Plenary discussions, evaluation of proposals.				
16-17	Evaluation of Seminar				
19.00 Dinner					
20.00	Renewable Get Together Party				

### Saturday, 21/8, 2021 INFORSE-Europe General Meeting



#### More:

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