

Program:

High North Dialogue 2019 Business in the Arctic

Sub-themes:

- Blue Economy
- What opportunities for business exists in the Arctic?
- Transport and Infrastructure

Wednesday 3 April

Venue: Scandic Havet (Tollbugata 5, Bodø city center)

11:30-12:45: Registration, coffee and mingling

12:45-13:10: Welcome to High North Dialogue 2019

- Frode Mellemvik, Director, High North Center, Nord University
- Eirik Sivertsen, Head of the Storting's Delegation for Arctic Parliamentary Cooperatio
- Hanne Solheim Hansen, Rector, Nord University
- Andreas Østhagen, Coordinator, High North Center/Fridtjof Nansen Institute / The Arctic Institute

13:10-13:30: Opening Speech

- Erna Solberg, Prime Minister of Norway and Co-Chair of High-level Panel for a Sustainable Ocean Economy

13:30-14:25: Sustainable Blue Economy

Moderator: Liv Monica Stubholt, Partner, Advokatfirmaet Selmer DA

- Vidar Helgesen, Norway's Special Representative for the Ocean
- Tero Vauraste, Chair, Arctic Economic Council
- Nina Jensen, CEO REV Ocean
- Mead Treadwell, Lt. Governor, Alaska, 2010-2014

14:25-14:55: Coffee break

14:55-15:05: Launch of energy project

15:05-16:00: Blue Business in the Arctic

Moderator: Liv Monica Stubholt, Partner, Advokatfirmaet Selmer DA

- Ingelin Noresjø, Executive of Economic Development, Nordland County Government
- Aili Keskitalo, President of the Sami Parliament
- Otto Gregussen, Secretary General, Norwegian Fishermen's Association
- Andrey Krivorotov, Secretary of the Board of Directors, Shtokman Development AG
- Torstein Dale Sjøtveit, Executive Chairman, Empower New Energy

16:00-17:00: Blue Economic Growth

Moderator: Petter Nore, Professor, High North Center and Nord University Business School

- Jan Gunnar Winther, Director, Center for the Ocean and the Arctic
- Siri Espedal Kindem, Senior Vice President Operations North, «Equinor – creating values and growth in the north»
- Marius Ytterstad, CEO, Ytterstad Fiskeriselskap
- Suzanne Lalonde, Professor, University of Montreal
- Anu Fredrikson, Director Arctic Economic Council

17:00-17:30: Break

17:30-18:30: Arctic Transport and Infrastructure

Moderator: Malte Humpert, The Arctic Institute

- Kjell Stokvik, Managing Director, Centre for High North Logistics
- Bent-Ove Jamtli, General Director, Joint Rescue Coordination Center of North Norway
- Andreas Hildenbrand, Commander German Navy, Program Director European Security Seminar North, George C. Marshall Center
- Lise Falskow, President of the Alaska World Affairs Council
- Elise Chen, Managing Director, Norwegian Chinese Chamber of Commerce

18:30-19:00: High North Young Entrepreneurs

Presenter: Bård Borch Michalsen, Associate Professor, High North Center for Business and Governance.

Presentations of innovation projects by young entrepreneurs. Winner will be given an award of 50 000 NOK.

19:30-22:00: Conference Dinner

Venue: Hundholmen Brygghus, Tollbugata 13, Bodø City Center.

- Welcome by Rolf Kåre Jensen, CAO –Chief Administrative Officer, Bodø Municipality
- Frode Mellemvik, Director at the High North Center for Business and Governance

Thursday April 4

Venue: Scandic Havet (Tollbugata 5, Bodø city center)

08:30-09:00: Coffee and mingling

Registration for new conference members

09:00-09:05: Introduction day two by facilitator Andreas Raspotnik, The Arctic Institute / The High North Center for Business and Governance

09:05-09:20: Perspectives from Mary Simon, High North Hero 2018

09:20-09:45: High North Scenarios

Presentation by winner(s) of the competition on Tuesday

Introduction by Anatoli Bourmistrov, Professor, Nord University Business School and presentation by Master's students.

09:45-10:00: Business Index North

Presentation of BIN report

- Erlend Bullvåg, Dean, Nord University Business School

10:00-11:00: Regional Economic Development

Moderator: Elana Wilson Rowe, Senior Research Fellow, Norwegian Institute of International Affairs (NUPI) and Adjunct Professor at the High North Center

- Ann Karin Olli, State Secretary, Norwegian Ministry of Local Government and Modernization
- Anders Oskal, Executive Director, International Centre for Reindeer Husbandry (ICR)
- Grete Hovelsrud, Professor at Nord University, researcher at Nordland Research Institute and CICERO and Vice-President in the Norwegian Scientific Academy for Polar Research
- Benedicte Solaas, Adviser to the CEO, The Norwegian Oil and Gas Association
- Michael Sfraga, Director of the Polar Institute at the Wilson Center

11:00-11:30: Coffee Break

11:30-12:50: Ambassadors' Panel

Moderator: Arne O. Holm, Editor of High North News

- Audun Halvorsen, State Secretary, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Norway
- Marie-Anne Coninx, Ambassador at Large for Arctic Affairs of the European Union

- Mikael Antell, Finnish Ambassador to Norway
- Teimuraz Ramishvili, Russian Ambassador to Norway
- Krister Bringéus, Swedish Ambassador to Norway
- Kenneth J. Braithwaite, U.S. Ambassador to Norway
- Kenneth Macartney, Chargé d’Affaires, Embassy of Canada to Norway

12:50-13:10: High North Hero 2019

An award of NOK 50 000 to honour a person/ organization/ company who has contributed to highlighting or developing the High North/ Arctic.

13:10-13:20: Summary

- Laurence C. Smith, Professor University of California, Los Angeles

Welcome to High North Dialogue 2020!

13:30: Grab ´n go lunch

Side events

In addition to the conference program, a number of side events will take place in Bodø in conjunction with High North Dialogue.