



European Sustainable Energy Seminar - August 17-19/20, 2026

Venue: Nordic Folkecenter for Renewable Energy, Denmark

This seminar will get together civil society organisations and other actors to discuss:

- **How we speed up the transition** away from fossil fuels and move to sustainable energy.
- Highlights of the **European Transition, Barriers, and Key Elements** including:
 - > **Policies for Sufficiency as Climate Policies**, > **Local Energy Communities**,
 - > **Nuclear Power problems** and its derailing of the transition, > **Hydrogen Futures**, > **Biomass and its pollution**
- Highlight a new training program **Energy Literacy for Youth (ELY)**, trying out selected training modules.
- **Guided Tour** to see the Nordic Folkecenter for Renewable Energy
- **Study Tour** to new, sustainable energy developments in Western Denmark.

Read more incl. Registration Link: https://inforse.org/europe/seminar_2026_INFORSE-Europe_Denmark.htm

Direct Registration Link: <https://forms.gle/ftjB9cxzMLYfuA1W6>

The Seminar is organised by INFORSE-Europe in cooperation with the Nordic Folkecenter for Renewable Energy and partners of the projects: Sufficiency as Climate Action supported by Nordic Council of Ministers. The Seminar also presents and tests the training methods of the Energy Literacy for Youth (ELY) Project supported by EU Erasmus+

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Program:

Sun. 16/8 Arrival to Nordic Folkecenter for Renewable Energy

Mon. 17/8

Opening of seminar, Presentation of Participants and the Program

European climate and energy transition, energy futures, the role of hydrogen and other new developments.

Gunnar Boye Olesen, INFORSE-Europe and Veerle Dossche, CAN-Europe, Renewable Energy Program.

Energy sufficiency, its role in the energy transition and road to climate neutrality, international experiences.

Presentations by Yves Marignac, negaWatt (tbc), France and Toke Haunstrup Christensen, Aalborg University.

Energy Literacy for Youth (ELY) training methods. Intro & Test: 'Try the Energy' - Experiments with Solar, Wind, Metering and Cooking with the Sun.

Guided Tour of Nordic Folkecenter for Renewable Energy

Policies for Sufficiency as Climate Policies (incl. ELY: 'Energy Ball').

- Presentations of sufficiency policies and proposals from **Denmark, Norway, Sweden, Latvia, and Estonia**, by Nordic-Baltic "Sufficiency as Climate Action" project partners, FoE Norway, Swedish Society for Nature Conservation, Estonian & Latvian Green Movement, INFORSE-Europe. (see [Sufficiency as Climate Action Project](#))
- Summary conclusions on how to integrate sufficiency policies in climate policies and the effects.
- Dialogue in groups on how to have sufficiency policies on the climate agenda and the results we can expect.
- Conclusions in plenary based in group work.

Evening program. Participants are invited to present an issue they want to discuss or an interesting activity they are engaged in. - Informal social activity / ELY 'Climate Board Game' (See: [ELY-Energy-Literacy-for-Youth](#))

Tue. 18/8

Study Tour, including:

- Small heating plant with large heat pump.
- Thyborøn the world's largest co-operatively owned windmill
- Harboøre. Wastewater sludge biochar production and Lemvig water treatment plant
- Ramme energy park with hydrogen and ammonia (Skovgaard Energy)
- Lemvig Klimatorium

Energy communities and their roles in a just transition. Good examples, barriers, next steps on EU-level.

- Presentations by Henning Bo Madsen, Gunnar Boye Olesen, VE & INFORSE-Europe and RESCOOP repr. (tbc), dialogue. Groups: • ELY: 'Build Your Own Energy Community' (LEGO)

Evening program, participants are invited to present an issue they want to discuss or an interesting activity they are engaged in. - Informal social activity / ELY 'EU Negotiations Role Play'

Wed. 19/8

Energy Transition and Nuclear Power Plans and Problems. • Presentations by Jan Havercamp, others (tbc.), Gunnar Boye Olesen. • Group work, • Conclusion from group work in plenary.

Biomass Use and its Air Pollution. • Presentation by Henning Bo Madsen or other (tbc), Gunnar Boye Olesen on EU ecodesign regulations and its limits, dialogue.

Test of the ELY training module: 'Silent Discussion'

Future Activities: Brain storm and ELY 'Mapping'. Dashboard of future activities, selection of future work and priorities. Group work on proposed future activities and priorities.

Plenary on priorities for coming activities, who will engage, and agreements



Thu. 20/8, **10.00-13.00 - INFORSE-Europe General Meeting**

13.00 Lunch

14.00 Optional departure for offshore windmill test center Østerild by Thisted (not part of seminar) (Alternative Hvide Sande Heating System with solar, windpower, heat pumps, storage etc.)

Logistics:

The seminar will take place at Nordic Folkecenter for Renewable Energy.

Address: Kammersgaardsvej 16, Ydby, 7760 Hurup, Thy, Denmark. (Some sessions will also be online.)

The Folkecenter is near to Ydby train station. There are trains to Ydby from Copenhagen and other cities, with change of trains in Struer. There will be pickup organised at the Ydby train station.

Nearest airports are Billund and Aalborg or Copenhagen.

Prices:

Participation including program, study tour, food and accommodation (in double rooms): 335 € per person

Participation in single rooms: 500 € per person

Participation with accommodation in own tent: 175 € per person

Limited support for INFORSE-Europe members for participation and travel.

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