



**INFORSE-Europe Sustainable Energy Seminar - August 21-24/25 2017**  
**General Meeting and Rio+25 Celebration - 25 years of networking**  
**Venue: Nordic Folkecenter for Renewable Energy, Denmark**

*Invitation to representatives of members, present and future partners:  
We are looking forward meeting you, sharing experiences, formulating plans  
and celebrating together the 25 years of networking.*

In 2017, INFORSE-Europe's Seminar will focus on transition to sustainable energy, community power and development of ideas for how we can push the transition forward with new initiatives and projects.

**From the Program:**

- Transitions to Renewable Energy in European Countries, both in West and East. Examples from Ukraine, Macedonia, Belarus, Armenia, and Denmark, UK (tbc), France (tbc).
- Local sustainable energy/community power projects, to establish windmills, solar energy, community heating, etc. Examples from Samsøe island, Subotica, Serbia etc.
- How EU regulations and support gives a common framework for the transition.
- Fundraising
- Developing *Our Own* Ideas for Projects, Activities.
- Guided Tour at the Folkecenter
- INFORSE-Europe's General Meeting (August 25)
- Celebration of 25 years networking.

INFORSE was established 25 years ago in Rio at the "Earth Summit" in 1992. INFORSE-Europe has 85 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.

Looking forward seeing you



Photo from INFORSE-Europe Seminar in 2007  
with Celebration of 15 Years of Networking  
"Rio+15" - at Samsø Energy Academy, Denmark.



The Venue: The octagonal conference building at the Nordic Folkecenter for Renewable Energy.  
Highlights: large energy park with wind and solar testing fields, passive-house architecture, straw house, biodome, wind mill history exhibition, el-bicycles, plant-oil cars, info point, shop and much more.



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**Draft Programme:**

<b>Sunday, August 20</b>	
	Arrival, simple dinner

<b>Monday, August 21:</b>	
9.00	Introduction to seminar
9.30	Presentation of participants, aim and program of seminar
10.30	Transition to Sustainable Energy: How we can change a country to renewable energy? Fast transition of Denmark to renewable energy versus national plans
11.10	Break
11.30	Transition of Western European Country to Renewable Energy – How to Make it Happen? Denmark, UK (tbc), France (tbc).
12.00	Transition of Ukraine to Renewable Energy
12.30	Lunch
13.30	Transition to Renewable Energy: Macedonia, Belarus, Armenia
15.00	Break
15.30	Local Transition to Renewable Energy: - Successful transition of islands to renewable energy, introducing the issue: Søren Hermansen, Samsøe island, Denmark - Transition of Subotica in Serbia to Renewable Energy.
17.00	Tour at the Folkecenter
19.00	Dinner
20.00	Get together

<b>Tuesday, August 22</b>	
9.00	Introducing NGO Networking for Sustainable Energy and INFORSE-Europe: - “Rio+25” - 25 years of networking for sustainable energy - Roles of civil society in the future - Experiences of participants. Discussion
10.00	Introducing Community Power: - The Concept - Danish examples - Examples from Eastern Europe - European campaign (video link with Friends of the Earth) - Short discussion (including coffee break)
12.00	Group Work: develop ideas for community power in own country or community, each group develop poster
13.00	Lunch
14.00	Presenting group work
14.30	EU transition to sustainable energy: How EU legislation and support is supporting and also limiting the transition, and the development of energy communities, Member of EU Parliament. (Incl.break)



17.00	Trip to fjord, evt swimming
18.30	Dinner
19.30	Presentation of participants' own activities

Wednesday, August 23.	
9.00	Fundraising: How to get funding for joint activities: - Development of projects, logical frameworks, theory of change, objectives, outcome and activities - EU funding - National funding - Private foundations - funding & co-funding
10.30	Market of sustainable energy experiences and ideas: Participants are invited to present their experiences, ongoing activities and ideas <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Each participant develop poster with activities and ideas</li> <li>• Presentations of ideas, 10 min for each poster, in groups</li> </ul>
01-12-30	Formation of project/activity groups for development of proposals and practical activities. Each group makes a product in form of project proposal, poster, website, twitter campaign, app
13.00	Lunch
14.00	Work on project/activity groups
18.00	Dinner
19.00	Evening tour to North Sea, evt. Swimming

Thursday, August 24	
9.00	Work on project/activity groups continued
11.00	Break
11.30	Work on project/activity groups final session
13.00	Lunch
14.00	Presentation of results of groups
15.00	Formation of groups to continue work on projects and activities after the seminar, planning activities
16.00	Break
16.30	Presentations of plans for continued activities, way forward Conclusion of Seminar
19.00	Final festive dinner, 25-year Anniversary of INFORSE (Rio+25)

**Friday, August 25, 2017 9.00-13.00 - INFORSE-Europe General Meeting (for INFORSE-Europe members),**

- Overview of network activities
- Joint advocacy activities, following EU-policy and climate negotiations
- Discussion and approval of proposals developed during seminar
- Discussion of network structure: do we have the right structure in INFORSE-Europe and INFORSE
- Election of board etc.

**Seminar fee** includes accommodation and all meals: 200 € in double rooms, 110 € in own tent or dormitory, and 300 € in single rooms.

**Application Form and Updated Program** is available at [www.inforse.org/europe/seminar\\_17\\_DK](http://www.inforse.org/europe/seminar_17_DK)

