



## The Future is Greenland: Business in the Arctic Decade

Katuaq, Nuuk: 19-20<sup>th</sup> May 2026

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| 07.30-08:15 | <i>Coffee Morning w/ Brian Mikkelsen at Café Pascucci, Please note limited seats and registration – This morning session will be in Danish ONLY</i>   |            |
| 07:30-08:25 | <i>Registration at Katuaq Cultural Centre</i>   |            |
| 08:25-08:30 | <i>Animated welcome</i>   |            |
| 08:30-08:40 | <b>Welcome to the Future Greenland conference</b><br><i>Christian Keldsen, CEO, Greenland Business Association</i>  | ENG        |
| 08:40-09:00 | <b>Greenland one year after the election: Where are we off to?</b><br><i>Jens-Frederik Nielsen, Prime Minister, Naalakkersuisut</i><br><i>Krissie Berthelsen Winberg, Chair, Greenland Business Association</i> | DAN        |
| 09:00-09:20 | <b>Greetings from the future</b><br><i>Arctic Action &amp; Youth Participants: Uiloq Bak and Veronica Geisler</i>   | DAN<br>KAL |
| 09:20-09:40 | <b>“Business as a driving force – unfiltered leadership in Greenland”</b><br><i>Michael Binzer, Chairman Polar Seafood and partner in Visiobox Consulting Aps</i>   | DAN        |
| 09:40-10:00 | <b>The Arctic Council</b><br><i>Kenneth Høegh, Arctic Ambassador</i>  | ENG        |
| 10:00-10:40 | <i>Networking and coffee break</i>  |            |
| 10:40-11:00 | <b>Business Development in a new world order</b><br><i>Lars Sandahl Sørensen, CEO, Danish Industry (DI)</i>   | DAN        |
| 11:00-11:20 | <b>The Blue Economy of the Faroe Islands</b><br><i>Høgni Høydahl, MP Faroese Parliament (E)</i>   | DAN        |
| 11:20-11:45 | <b>When business policy and foreign policy go hand in hand</b><br><i>Múte B. Egede, Minister for Foreign affairs, Trade and Raw Materials</i><br><i>Christian Keldsen, CEO, Greenland Business Association</i>  | KAL<br>DAN |



11:45-12:15	<b>Panel discussion</b> <i>Panellists from the morning session</i> <i>Moderated by Merete Lindstrøm &amp; Maja Motzfeldt-Haahr</i>	DAN
12:15-13:30	<i>Lunch &amp; Networking</i>	
13:45-15:15	<u>Side events:</u> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <i>Greenland in the Arctic Decade</i></li> <li>2. <i>Greenland´s untapped AI potential</i></li> <li>3. <i>When companies invest in the community</i></li> <li>4. <i>Investing our way to the future</i></li> </ol>	ENG DAN DAN ENG
15:15-15:45	<i>Networking and coffee break</i>	
15:45-16:30	<b>Political Round table</b> <i>Party leaders and representatives:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <i>Aqqaluaq B. Egede (IA)</i></li> <li>- <i>Jens-Frederik Nielsen (D)</i></li> <li>- <i>Aqqalu Jerimiassen (A)</i></li> <li>- <i>Aleqa Hammond (S)</i></li> </ul> <i>Moderated by Merete Lindstrøm &amp; Maja Motzfeldt-Haahr</i>	KAL
16:30-16:45	<b>Presentation of the Bank of Greenland’s entrepreneurship prize 2026</b> <i>By Maliina Abelsen, Boardmember</i>	DAN
16:45-17:15	<b>What we need to understand about the US</b> <i>Rufus Gifford, former US Ambassador to the Kingdom of Denmark</i> <i>Masaana Egede, CEO and Editor-in-Chief, Sermitsiaq</i>	ENG
17:15-17:20	<b>Thank you, Day 1 – See you tomorrow</b> <i>Christian Keldsen, CEO, Greenland Business Association</i>	DAN
18:00-19:30	<b>Networking Reception @ Hotel Hans Egede</b>	



**Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> May 2026**

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| 08:30-08:45 | <p><b>Welcome to Day 2 – What happened yesterday?</b><br/> <i>Christian Keldsen, CEO, Greenland Business Association</i><br/> <i>Hanne Fugl Eskjær, Danish Ambassador to France and Monaco</i></p>  | DAN |
| 08:45-09:10 | <p><b>The view from Paris</b><br/> <i>Nicolas Forissier, Minister Delegate for Foreign Trade and Investment Promotion, France</i></p>   | ENG |
| 09:10-09:30 | <p><b>Hostile state influencing in a turbulent world</b><br/> <i>Janis Sarts, Director of NATO Strategic Communications Centre of Excellence</i></p>  | ENG |
| 09:30-09:50 | <p><b>The Greenlandic Settlement structure – what questions should we be asking?</b><br/> <i>Torben M. Andersen, Chair of the Economic Council in Greenland</i><br/> <i>Merete Lindstrøm, Journalist</i></p>  | DAN |
| 09:50-10:20 | <p><b>Political Roundtable – The Mayors – Regional development, investments and urbanisation</b><br/> <i>Mayor Malene Vahl Rasmussen (D), Kujalleq</i><br/> <i>Mayor Simigaaq Heilmann (D), Qeqertalik</i><br/> <i>Mayor Avaaraq S. Olsen, (IA), Sermersooq</i><br/> <i>Mayor Lars Erik Gabrielsen (S), Avannaata</i></p> <p><i>Moderators: Merete Lindstrøm and Maja Motzfeldt-Haahr</i></p> | KAL |
| 10:20-11:00 | <p><i>Networking and coffee break</i></p>   |     |
| 11:00-11:20 | <p><b>Greenland at the centre of the Arctic dispute</b><br/> <i>Aqqaluk Lynge, Author &amp; Publisher</i></p>   | ENG |
| 11:20-11:40 | <p><b>Crypto-mining – possibilities in Greenland</b><br/> <i>Helle Binzer, Arctic Collaboration</i></p>   | DAN |
| 11:40-12:00 | <p><b>Nothing about Greenland without Google</b><br/> <i>Signe Ravn Højgaard, CEO, Thinktank Digital Infrastructure</i></p>   | DAN |
| 12:00-13:20 | <p><i>Networking lunch</i></p>  |     |
| 13:20-13:40 | <p><b>China in the Arctic</b><br/> <i>Camilla Tenna Nørup Sørensen, Danish Defence Academy</i><br/> <i>Alexander Dalziel, MacDonald Laurier Institute, Canada</i></p>   | ENG |



13:40-14:00	<p><b>Arctic Parliamentarians and business development in the Arctic</b>  <i>Aaja Chemnitz, Inuva.gl and former Member of Parliament; Folketinget (IA)</i></p>	ENG
14:00-14:35	<p><b>The Ambassadors´ Lounge</b>  <i>Christophe Parisot, French Ambassador to the Kingdom of Denmark          Caroline Bennett, Canadian Ambassador to the Kingdom of Denmark          Kenneth Howery, U.S Ambassador to the Kingdom of Denmark          Victoria Billing, British Ambassador to the Kingdom of Denmark</i></p> <p><i>Moderated by Jens Heinrich, Head of the Greenland Representation in Denmark</i></p>	ENG
14:35-15:00	<p><i>Networking and coffee break</i></p>	
15:00-16:30	<p><u>Side events:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <i>Hybrid Warfare in the Arctic – the threat and how we counter It</i></li> <li>2. <i>The role of the business community´s in ”Rigsfællesskabet 2.0”</i></li> <li>3. <i>Trade Barriers across the Inuit Homeland – How do we unlock the opportunities?</i></li> <li>4. <i>Regenerative Tourism in the Arctic – From Growth to Regenerative Value Creation in Greenland</i></li> </ol>	<p>ENG</p> <p>DAN</p> <p>ENG</p> <p>ENG</p>
16:30-17:00	<p><i>Networking</i></p>	
17:00-17:25	<p><b>The value of relationships - 40 years of EU-Greenland partnership</b>  <i>Jozef Sikela, EU Commissioner for International Partnerships          Christian Keldsen, CEO, Greenland Business Association</i></p>	ENG
17:25-17:35	<p><b>Thank you 2026 – Future Greenland 2028</b>  <i>Christian Keldsen, CEO, Greenland Business Association</i></p>	DAN
17:35-19:00	<p><b>Closing reception @ Katuaq</b></p>	