

# Special Activities and Events

## Opening Reception

The Municipality of Stavanger is pleased to invite delegates to an opening reception from 6:00-8:00pm at the Rogaland Museum of Art, Henrik Ibsen's gate 55 (adjacent to Stavanger Forum). Bjørg Tysdal Moe, Deputy Mayor of Stavanger, and a keen supporter of IAIA06, will be present, together with other prominent guests.

## Boat trip and dinner

Statkraft, the state-owned energy company, invites all delegates of IAIA06 to an unforgettable evening on Tuesday, 23 May. This evening will include a boat trip (departure at 7:00pm from Stavanger Harbour) through Sandsfjorden to Hylen hydropower station, where a concert and dinner in the Hylen Mountain Hall, famous for its acoustics, awaits the participants. *Maximum of 600 participants; register early!*

## Conference Banquet

On Thursday, 25 May, all delegates are invited to attend the conference banquet. It will take place at the Hall Toll Restaurant at Stavanger Harbour. The banquet is sponsored by Statoil.

## Dine Out Stavanger

Stavanger is regarded as a culinary centre of Norway, with special emphasis on fresh seafood, lamb, and vegetables. On the evening of Wednesday, 24 May, IAIA hosts will lead small groups to various restaurants in Stavanger for a relaxing evening. Sign-up sheets will be available at the registration area. Restaurants featuring local specialties and special emphasis on sustainable dining will be offered. Participants pay their own way and everyone has fun!

## Fun Run

This is a popular sporting event now in its fourth year. The 5km fun run/walk will take place early morning on Thursday, 25 May (to ensure no one misses sessions!). A minimal fee of US\$5 will be collected on-site to cover organization and prizes. Everyone is welcome: runners, walkers, spectators, route volunteers. A great way to start the day!

## TOURIST DESTINATIONS FROM STAVANGER BY HIRED CAR OR PUBLIC TRANSPORT

### Stavanger – Hardangerfjord – Bergen and return (3-5 days)

Beautiful waterfalls, stave church, museums, walking and bicycle trips, fjords and mountains, impressive coastline and islands. Experience the rural landscapes along the Røldal road, visit charming Bergen and pass through the world's longest sub-sea tunnel and on to Haugesund, then back to Stavanger.

### Stavanger – Kristiansand and return (3-5 days)

Picturesque coastal areas, mountain trekking, an exiting boat trip, interesting Norwegian architecture. Experience the wonderful coastline along the North Sea road, with white sandy beaches and lighthouses, drive the sharp bends of Lysefjorden and enjoy a guided boat trip passing Kjerag and Preikestolen, and then back to Stavanger.

### Pulpit Rock (Preikestolen)

Exclusive to IAIA06 delegates! Take a guided hike to the magnificent and famous rock formation Pulpit Rock. This pronounced mountain formation hangs 604 metres over the Lysefjord and provides a fantastic panoramic view over the fjord and the surrounding mountains. The plateau is approximately 25x25 metres and flat. The stone path is good, but in some places it's quite rocky and rough. The last part of the hike passes dizzying drops high above the fjord. The hike takes approximately 2 hours each way. The entire excursion takes 8 hours and will start at 9:00am on both Saturday, May 27, and Sunday, May 28.

Per person NOK 550,- including all transportation costs and English speaking guide. Registration with Stavanger Tourist Bureau at the conference. Minimum 15 participants.

### The best of southern Norway (6-8 days)

Valleys, mountains, glaciers, magnificent fjords, impressive coastline, long stretches of beaches and fjords. Experience the hairpin bends to Øygardstøl, the amazing Flåm railway and the world longest road tunnel to Aurland. Enjoy the beautiful old village of Lom, and visit Oslo, the capital of Norway.

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