



INVITATION

The Nordic Embassies in Berlin and Skandinavischer Wirtschaftsverein
welcome you to the seminar

Safe and Sustainable Smart Cities – Nordic Solutions for the 21st Century **Wednesday, 3rd November 2021, 1.30 pm – 4.30 pm**

Felleshus at the Nordic Embassies and online

A smart city is a place where traditional networks and services are made more efficient with the use of digital solutions for the benefit of the people and business of the city.

A smart city goes beyond the use of digital technologies for better resource use and less emissions. It means smarter urban transport networks, upgraded water supply and waste disposal facilities and more efficient ways to light and heat buildings. It also means a more interactive and responsive city administration, safer public spaces and meeting the needs of an ageing population.

Program:

13.30 **Welcome:** Dr. Carl Fredin, Chairman, Skandinavischer Wirtschaftsverein

13:40 **Opening words:** Anne Sipiläinen, Ambassador of Finland to Germany

13.45 **Introduction to Smart City:** Östen Ekengren, Senior Advisor / Business Developer,
Smart City Sweden

14.00 **Energy Solutions for Climate Neutrality – The Nordic Outlook/Approach**
Sustainable and efficiently used energy is one of the main smart city priorities, and the Nordic countries are in the forefront to offer smart solutions. Andreas Kuhlmann, CEO of the German Energy Agency, will outline the challenges for German communities to reach climate neutrality, and experts from Sweden, Norway and Iceland will present and discuss their approach and Nordic solutions.

Panel Speakers:

- Andreas Kuhlmann, Chief Executive, German Energy Agency (dena)
- Hildigunnur H. H. Thorsteinsson, Managing Director of Research and Innovation, Reykjavik Energy / Orkuveita Reykjavíkur, Iceland
- Nina Scholz, Country Manager Germany, Equinor, Norway
- Östen Ekengren, Senior Advisor / Business Developer, Smart City Sweden

Moderated by: Stephan Mühler, President and CEO, Chamber of Commerce and Industry Southern Sweden

Q&A: Audience can ask questions on site and via the chat-function

15.00 **Break**

15.30 Cyber Security and Smart Cities - A Nordic outlook on cyber security in practice

The true success and sustainability of smart cities depend heavily on their capacity to ensure cyber security and digital safety. In this panel discussion we explore digital solutions amongst the Nordic countries in public and private contexts to bring forward key Nordic learnings.

Panel speakers:

- Jarno Limnell, Professor of Cybersecurity at Aalto University and Vice President, Cybersecurity solutions at Innofactor Oyj, Finland
- Bo Fristed, Head of IT and Communications at The City of Aarhus, Denmark
- Dr. Nikolay Tcholtchev, Researcher and Project Manager, Head of Quality Engineering for Urban ICT, Fraunhofer Institute for Open Communication Systems

Moderated by: Bea Knecht, Entrepreneur and Founder, Zattoo AG

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16.30 Final remarks: Dr. Carl Fredin, Chairman, Skandinavischer Wirtschaftsverein

16.45 Buffet and Networking for the Participants on site at Felleshus

We would be pleased to see you in person at Felleshus at the Nordic Embassies, Berlin, or online. Please note that the physical capacity is limited and the places will be filled on a first-come-first serve basis. In Felleshus the 2G rule will apply. You will need to provide a proof of Covid-19 vaccination or a proof of recovery upon arrival. The seminar will be held in English and it will be recorded and made publicly available afterwards.

You are welcome to register an additional representative from your organization or forward this invitation to your colleagues, who may be interested in attending.

Please register for the event at Felleshus here

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We look forward to seeing you at Felleshus or online!

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