



The Nordic Twin Cities Lahti, Akureyri, Västerås and Ålesund

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## Invitation to NOVU 2024 Randers

Dear Nordic friends,

The City of Randers is pleased to host NOVU 2024 - the Nordic Sister Cities meeting for young people - taking place in Randers from July 1 to July 5. June 30 and July 6 will be travel days.

Randers also invites politicians and civil servants from sister cities to attend a parallel meeting from July 3 to July 5, with travel days on July 2 and July 6.

During this NOVU period (2023-2027), there is a special emphasis on activities focusing on the Nordic contribution to fulfilling the UN Sustainable Development Goals, emphasizing cultural and social sustainability.

In the programs for youth and politicians and officials, participants will encounter themes such as culture, climate change, sustainability and community. When using the term "community," we refer to the companionship or fellowship between people, either privately or in a professional context. What experiences do we have with, or what thoughts can we consider regarding communities in relation to achieving a specific goal?

The youth program includes workshops that focus on sound, writing, performance and visual art. Please see the enclosed program.

Number of participants invited from each city:

- Up to 17 youngsters aged 16-20
- 2 group leaders
- 2-5 politicians or officials

We also welcome 2 members from Foreningen Norden from each city, invited by the Danish Foreningen Norden. Apart from some common social activities for all participants, they will attend a program prepared by the Danish section.

Accommodation and all workshops for the youngsters are arranged at Tirsdalens Skole. The delegation of politicians and civil servants is to be accommodated at Hotel Randers.


With this email you will find a program, some practical information and registration form. We would be happy to receive the list of your participants no later than May 5.

Changes will be updated within the program on this page [www.randers.dk/novu2024](http://www.randers.dk/novu2024).

For inquiries, please contact Randers City Culture office:  
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We hope to see you in Randers, and we look forward to many good conversations and inspiring input from your municipality.

Best regards/

  
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