

## NTN visit Bruxelles June 20 and 21 2024

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The visit of the Nordic Transport Network (NTN) to Brussels will focus on the perspectives and opportunities for the Jutland Corridor in relation to EU policy and support programs on a strategic level.

The regions of the NTN have a joint interest in the Jutland corridor, the west-scandinavian corridor connecting South Norway, West Sweden and Jutland in Denmark with Central Europe. In 2021 the Jutland corridor from Fredericia up to Hirtshals and Fredrikshavn was added to the ScanMed – the European Transport corridor. Thereafter the regions took an initiative to develop the Jutland corridor in a pre-project under the Interreg ØKS-programme. At the moment several of the member regions are part of the Green Jutland corridor, a main project funded by the Interreg ØKS-programme. This is a 26-partner consortium, with the aim of developing an efficient, green and multimodal Jutland corridor.

There are several developments of policy and financial mechanisms, of importance to the transport networks. On 26. April the EU finally adopted the TEN-T regulation.

In the backdrop of this, the NTN is interested to learn more about the possibilities for developing comprehensive cross-border transport corridors in the framework of the EU? How can EU policy, legislation and financial programmes support the development of an efficient, green and multimodal Jutland corridor?

This will be done giving the participants:

- A better knowledge and understanding of the EU transport and climate policy related to development of transport corridors, such as the Jutland Corridor
- Insight into how stakeholders in the EU see the development potentials of the Jutland Corridor (which is added to the ScanMed-corridor on the Danish side)
- Better understanding of the opportunities arising from positioning the Jutland Corridor for investments and activities

There will be a special focus on:

- The possibilities and potentials for the green transition of the corridor
- The new Trans-European Transport Network (TEN-T) regulation
- Potentials and opportunities for the development of intermodal freight transport in the Jutland Corridor

### Programe

### **Thursday June 20**

12.00 – 12.50 Lunch

## 12.50 – 13.00 Welcome and presentation of the participants by Tommy T. Madsen, Region North Jutland

## 13.00 – 13.40 The EU TEN-T network and development perspectives for the Scan Med corridor

Presented by: Martin Zeitler, DG MOVE, Advisor to European Coordinator Pat Cox

#### 14.00 – 14.45 The EU's transport policy – perspective from the transport industry

Presented by: CEO Torsten Laksafoss Holbek, CEO Nordic Logistics Association

#### 14.45 – 15.15 Coffee break

#### 15.15 – 16.00 CEF Transport Alternative Fuels Infrastructure Facility (AFIF)

Presented by:

Head of Alternative Fuels Sector Richard Ferrer, CINEA, European Climate, Infrastructure and Environment Executive Agency

## 16.00 – 17.00 The role and possibilities in developing transport corridors such as the Jutland corridor, a view from regional EU offices in Brussels

Panel discussion with representatives of the **regional EU offices in Brussels** 60 minutes with Q&A from the visitor group/ NTN members Presented by:

- NordDanmarks EU-kontor (Asger Bjerregaard Christiansen – EU-konsulent)
- Central Denmark EU Office (Maria Helene Louwrier - EU-konsulent grøn omstilling / Green transition)
- South Denmark European Office (Pernille Dagø - EU Consultant – Energy, Climate and Resources)
- Oslo Region European Office (Randi Johanne Hoseth - Europarådgiver / Klima, miljø og energi)
- Agder European Office (Deltagelse uafklaret)

#### 17.00 – 18.00 Reception at the venue?? Or drinks at Place Lux

#### 18.00-20.00 Optional offer: EC football match Denmark - England on TV.

20.15 Dinner.

## Friday June 21

#### **9.00 – 9.45 Development of the EU's transport corridors seen from a CPMR perspective** Presented:

Director for EU Transport and Energy Karin Jacobs, CPMR Policy Analyst Guillaume Moreno, CPMR (*participate online*)

## 9.45 – 10.10 Status of the North Sea Transport and Communication Group - task force on TEN-T projects

Presented by: Task force initiator Linda Carolina Ehnmark

**10.10 – 10.30** *Coffee break* 

# 10.30 – 11.15 Development of intermodal road rail transport in the EU – experiences and barriers

Presented by: Ákos ÉRSEK, The International Union for Road-Rail Combined Transport (UIRR)

#### 11.15 – 11.45 Evaluation and points for follow-up

Facilitated by Tommy T. Madsen, Region North Jutland

12.00 – 13.00 Lunch

## **Practical info**

#### Location (seminar June 20 and 21):

Nord Danmarks EU kontor Avenue Palmerston 18 B 1000 Bruxelles

#### Hotel:

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#### **Nordic Transport Policy Network**

The study tour is conducted by the Nordic Transport Policy Network. The Nordic Transport Policy Network is a regional policy network between counties in West Denmark and Southwest Norway. The NTN network has existed for more than 20 years. The network's website is www.ntn.dk (you can find more information about the network - look at the English version).

One of the activities in the network is the implementation of an annual study trip for regional politicians and officials from the participating regions. The aim of the study hours, which always goes out of the region, is to gather new knowledge and inspiration for the development of transport policy in the participating regions and in relation to the transport corridor (Jutland corridor). The participants in the study tour will be regional politicians from 6 regions in Norway and Denmark. <u>www.ntn.dk</u>

#### **Green Jutland Corridor**

3 Norwegian regions (Vestfold, Telemark and Agder) together with two Danish regions (Region Midtjylland and Region Northjutlandwill from January 2023 to end of 2025 conduct the "Green Jutland Corridor" project.

https://gronnjyllandskorridor.rn.dk