

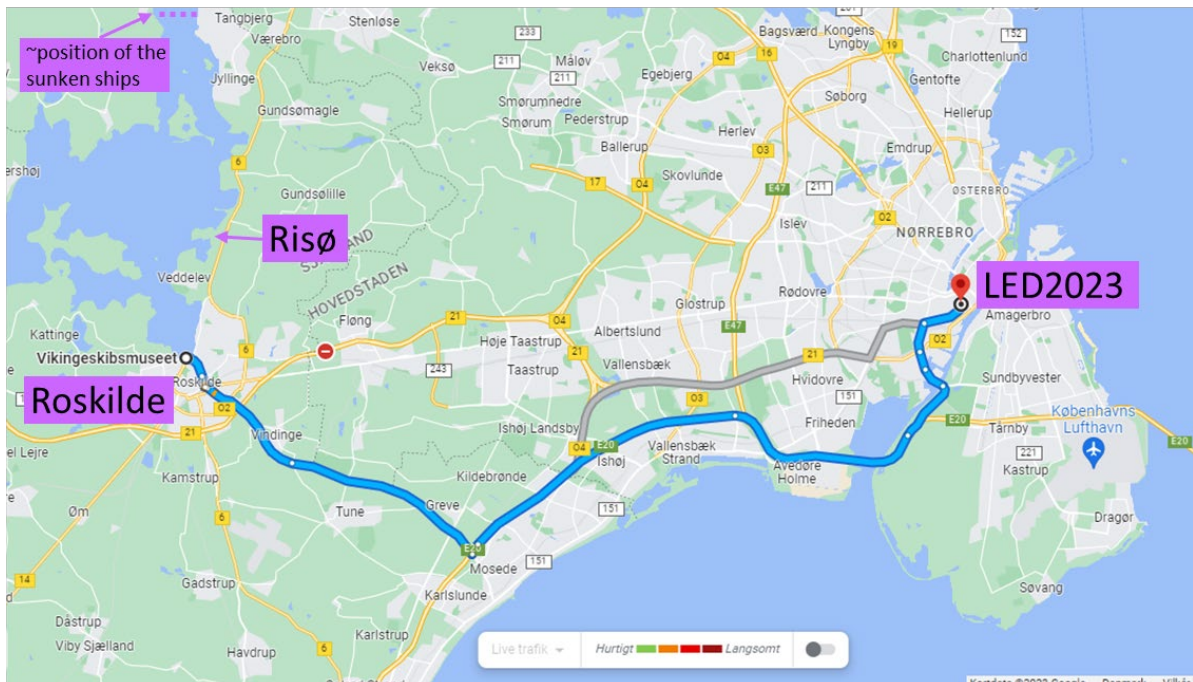
The Viking Experience

Mid-conference trip

Dear all participants in the “*Viking Experience*” at LED2023 on Wednesday the 28th of June, First of all, thank your for signing up for this excursion, which we hope will be a wonderful experience for all of you. Below we provide some practical information as well as a more detailed program for the day.

Getting to Roskilde

After completing *Session 9, Archaeology I* we will pick up our packed lunches on the way to the bus that will take us to Roskilde harbour. It is important that you make sure that you board the correct bus. If you board the wrong bus, you will not end up at the right destination. Keep an eye out for Trine and Kristina! (If you don’t know what we look like, then we have inserted pictures of us at the end). And remember to bring your lunch 😊. The bus ride will take about 40 minutes (depending on traffic).



The Viking Ship Museumⁱ

In the Viking Age (800-1050 CE) Roskilde was the capital of Denmark. During the late Viking Age, five worn-out Viking ships were sunk in Roskilde Fjord ~20 km north of Roskilde to create a system of barriers enabling control of the sea routes to Roskilde (and keep invading Norwegians out). In 1962,

the remains of these five Viking ships were excavated from the mud at Roskilde Fjord and these are now on display at the Viking Ship Museum (<https://www.vikingskibsmuseet.dk/en/>).

We will start our *Viking Experience* by getting 1 h guided tours of the Viking Ship Museum in four different groups.

- Group 1: 13:00 - 14:00
- Group 2: 13:15 - 14:15
- Group 3: 13:30 - 14:30
- Group 4: 13:45 - 14:45

You can see which group you have been assigned to below. For the guided tours please be ready 5 min. before at the entrance to the museum (see map below).



1. Parking lot for busses
2. Viking Ship Museum
3. Viking ships
4. Labyrinth
5. Café
6. *Paradise* ice cream
7. Toilets (best ones are inside the museum)

The Viking Ship Museum is the only place in the world where you can experience seeing 1000-year-old Viking ships, and then go directly out to the Museum harbor, where the full-scale reconstructed Viking ships lie moored at the quayside. After completing the guided tours, it is time to grab the ores and set sail.

Sailing/Rowing on Roskilde Fjord

All groups meet at 15.00 at the Labyrinth (see the map above).

The Viking ships we will be sailing in have been built in the Museum's boatyard using only Viking Age boatbuilding traditions and copies of their tools. You must work together to man the oars and help with the sail and ropes. We will be sailing in the following ships:

- 1) *Helge Ask* (Group 1), which is a small warship for approximately 30 warriors. It has a dragonhead and an impressive sail. It is a reconstruction of "Skuldelev 5", which you have just seen in the Museum.
- 2) *Kraka Fyr* (Group 2), which is a fishing and cargo vessel from the Viking Age, built in Norway ca 1030. It is a reconstruction of "Skuldelev 6".
- 3) *Skjoldungen* (Group 3), which is a fishing and cargo vessel from the Viking Age, ca 1030. It is a newer reconstruction of "Skuldelev 6" with a new interpretation of the original ship.
- 4) *Oselven* (Group 4) is a Norwegian fishing boat designed for open sea fishing, i.e., it is so seaworthy and fast that they could almost always reach the shelter of land before bad weather set in.



The sailing trips take approximately 1 h 50 min and are scheduled to 15:10 - 17:00. Before getting in the boats, you will be given a life jacket and an introduction to the ship and rowing technique. As a participant, you are part of the ship's crew and will therefore participate actively on board by rowing and setting sail. Every sailing trip is led by an experienced sailing instructor.

Remember to wear practical and (possibly) warm clothes. It can get a little chilly on the fjord if it is windy. You may also get a little bit wet. We will also sail if it rains. If it is sunny, we encourage that you wear sunscreen (even although it is Denmark ☺).

Groups

For practical reasons we have already assigned you to a group. We have done our best to make sure that companions are in the same group as the conference participant they are accompanying. If we have made a mistake, please let us know, so we can fix it.

Group	First name	Last name
1	Annette	Kadereit
1	Christian	Debnar
1	Christina	Neudorf
1	Daniel	Richter
1	Debra	Colarossi
1	Eric	Andrieux
1	Faycal	Kharfi
1	Geoffrey	Duller
1	Helen	Roberts
1	Helene	Tissoux
1	Junyi	Ge
1	Kathleen	Rodrigues
1	Loïc	Martin
1	Sahar	Al Khasawneh
1	Toru	Tamura
1	Trine	Freiesleben
1	Yang	Ou
2	Galina	Faerhstein
2	Guoshan	Li
2	Kira	Westaway
2	Lynda	Pelletier
2	Mariana	Sontag-González
2	Marine	Frouin
2	Maryam	Heydari
2	Michel	Lamothe
2	Pavao	Andricevic
2	Renaud	Joannes-Boyau
2	Sarah	Schaffer
2	Sebastian	Kreutzer
2	Shengmin	Huang
2	Zhongping	Lai

Group	First name	Last name
3	Ayush	Joshi
3	Christopher	Lüthgens
3	Dirk	Mittelstraß
3	Gustav	Firla
3	Karissa	Cordero
3	Maria	Schaarschmidt
3	Mark	Bateman
3	Nathan	Brown
3	Paul	Hanson
3	Raju	Kumar
3	Richard	Staff
3	Sebastien	Huot
3	Shannon	Mahan
3	Xiaodong	Miao
4	Alan	Cresswell
4	Anna-Maartje	Boer
4	Bo	Li
4	Ffion	Evans
4	Gillian	Stephan
4	Graeme	Evans
4	Guillaume	Guérin
4	Jakob	Wallinga
4	Janicé	Johnsen
4	Kristina	Thomsen
4	Luke	Gliganic
4	Mary	Evans
4	Nasrin	Karimi Moayed
4	Rachel	Haupt
4	Rhydian	Evans

Getting to Risø & back to Copenhagen

At 17:20 a bus will take us from Roskilde to Risø (this bus ride is about 15 min long). We hope it is the same bus that brought us to Roskilde (so we can leave changing clothes in it), but we cannot be sure of this at this stage. There will be a variety of refreshments waiting at Risø.

At 18:00 we will all meet in the Niels Bohr Auditorium on Risø Campus, where we will listen to the bids for LED2026. Voting will take place during the conference dinner. If you are not attending the dinner, you can vote before leaving Risø.

Those of you not attending the conference dinner, will then be taken by bus back to the conference venue. The bus leaves at 18:35, so be ready. We expect that you will be back in Copenhagen at 19:20.

The conference dinner will start at 18:30. During the dinner the host for LED2026 will be announced. At 22.45-23:00 the buses taking you back to Copenhagen will depart. We expect that you will be back at the conference venue at 23:45.

We look very much forward to spending an exciting time with you. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us at LED2023@dtu.dk.

All the best,

Trine & Kristina (and the rest of the LED2023 team)



ⁱ Pictures and text taken from <https://www.vikingskibsmuseet.dk/en/>