



## Generalforsamling

Vi inviterer hermed til ordinær generalforsamling i Støttekredsen: Lørdag, den 25. juni 2017, kl. 14.00, på Nordisk Folkecenter, i SkibstedFjord Bygningen, med følgende dagsorden:

1. Valg af dirigent, referent og stemmetæller.
2. Bestyrelsen aflægger beretning.
3. Støttekredsens reviderede regnskab forelægges til godkendelse og centrets årsberetning og årsregnskab fremlægges til orientering.
4. Indkomne forslag.
5. Valg af støttekredsens medlemmer af bestyrelsen. På valg er Per Thostrup og Ian Jordan.
6. Valg af 2 suppleanter for de under pkt. 5 valgte medlemskategorier.
7. Fastsættelse af kontingent efter indstilling fra bestyrelsen.
8. Valg af kasserer og revisor for støttekredsen.
9. Optagelse af nye medlemmer af støttekredsen.
10. Eventuelt.

Indkomne forslag skal være formanden Ole Vagn Christensen i hænde senest 1 uge før generalforsamlingen. Formandens post adresse er: Provst Sonnes Vej 12, 7700 Thisted. E-mail [ovc@folkecenter.dk](mailto:ovc@folkecenter.dk)

Der er frokost før generalforsamlingen i SkibstedFjord Bygningen kl. 12.30. Prisen for frokost er 50 kr. pr. person.

For at få adgang til generalforsamlingen skal kontingent for 2017 være indbetalt på støttekredsens konto i Merkur Bank reg. nr.: 8401 konto nr.: 000 1079 575. Kontingentet er: 150 kr. pr. medlem, 200 kr. for en husstand og 65 kr. for pensionister samt studerende. Yderligere støttebeløb modtages med tak og må gerne indbetales ved at forhøje indbetalingen.

## In Evidence

Nordic Folkecenter organizes a study tour for all those professionals interested in renewable energies and on how can the transition towards a 100% sustainable society happen. The tour is designed so that participants can learn the most about the renewable energy field and how these technologies are spreading in Denmark.

The program consists of four days, during which there will be the chance of attending presentations from field experts, visit relevant companies and see realities in which the renewable transition is applied following the principle of community power. Finally, the last day there will be networking possibilities with some Danish green companies.

The study tour runs between the 18<sup>th</sup> and the 21<sup>st</sup> of June and the registration deadline is June 14. For viewing the complete program and for registrations, please visit [www.folkecenterevents.net](http://www.folkecenterevents.net).



Registration Deadline:

14 June 2017

# Folkecenter News

## EREF Board Meeting, General Assembly and Policy Conference

Nordic Folkecenter attended the board meeting of EREF, the European Renewable Energy Federation, which was held in the Town Hall of Copenhagen (8-10 May).

The participants of the meeting were energy experts and policy advisors coming from all over Europe, who joined for discussing which policies and tools should be used to ease the transition to a 100% renewable energy-powered society.

Folkecenter was represented by Ole Vagn Christensen, chairman of the board, Volker Thomsen, senior renewable energy expert and Leire Gorroño, community power expert. Leire was also one of the speakers and her presentation was titled *"Pleading for energy cooperatives: Danish experience"*.

More information about EREF can be found [here](#).

# EREF

## Former Trainee Speaks at a Conference in Turkey

Kardelen Afrodit Adsal, former trainee of Folkecenter (August 2015 – June 2016) participated at the conference *"Renewable Energy Cooperatives: Local Energy Production - Preferences and Experiences"*, held in Çanakkale on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> of May. The event was organized as closing meeting of a project which aimed to increase the rate of youth employment and entrepreneurship in the renewable energy sector.

Afroditi was there as representative for Folkecenter and she held a presentation with the title: *"Sustainability in Cooperatives and the Danish Experience"*. Together with her there was also Morten Victor Pedersen from Victor Energy, who is the president of the Danish Small Wind Turbine Association and a very active member of Folkecenter's network.



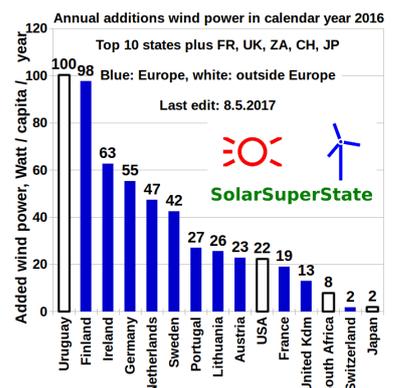
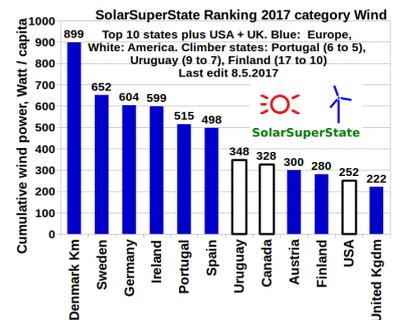
From left: Morten V. Pedersen and Kardelen Afrodit

## News for the World

Although Denmark is not the country with the highest wind capacity installed, it is that one that has the highest density of Watt/capita in the world. The data are provided by the SolarSuperState Association, which, once again, awarded Denmark as winner for their ranking. The country has a cumulative wind power of 899 W/capita, which is a considerable result, considering that the second place is occupied by Sweden, which has "only" 652 W/capita.

On the other hand, as it can be seen in the chart in the bottom, Denmark disappeared from the TOP10 of the annual addition classifies. The country is only at position 11, with 22 W/capita added.

More information about the SolarSuperState Association and the ranking can be found [here](#).



# PV System at Folkecenter



Best Producing Module

## Nordisk Folkecenter

Month to date energy 1,500.76 kWh (DC)

Year to date energy 3,774 kWh (DC)

Lifetime energy 44,304 kWh (DC)

## Environmental Impact

Lifetime production of CO2-free energy is equivalent to:

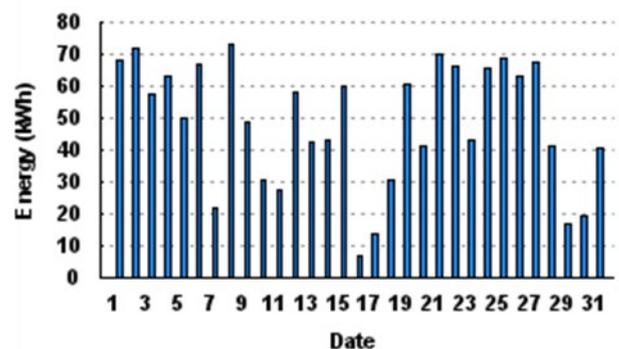


Planting 758 trees



Taking 176 cars off the road

## May Daily Energy Production



# Upcoming Events

## WVEC 2017

Folkecenter will participate to the [World Wind Energy Conference 2017](#), which will be held in Malmö (Sweden). In addition, Folkecenter will organize a side event during the conference: *“100% Renewable Energy, the Global Locomotive for Peace and Prosperity (for all)”*.

The side event intends to discuss the social, cultural and educational frame, with fresh ideas and inspiring songs of positive change. Volker Thomsen, Senior Sustainability Advisor, Folkecenter, Alexander Thomsen, musician, Leire Gorroño, Community Power Expert, Folkecenter, and Daniele Pagani, Sustainable Mobility Expert, Folkecenter, will facilitate the discussion about the need of radical changes in the current social and economic systems, which will be possible in conjunction with a new approach for renewable energy.

12 – 15 June

## COP23–Bonn (D)

Folkecenter has participated to almost all the past COP meetings and [COP23](#) will not be an exception. The event will be held in Bonn (Germany) between the 6th and the 17th of November.

Folkecenter will participate with its delegates and will also organize some side events. More information will follow in the coming months.

6 - 17 November

# Folkecenter's Visitors

## VIA University

On 18 May, four students of the Global Business Engineering education (VIA University College) came to Folkecenter to have some inputs about wind turbine maintenance, for their semester project.



## US Students

On 25 May, Folkecenter received a visit from 20 students of the University of Minnesota. The tour was part of a larger excursion, titled "*Energy production in Scandinavia*".



## Nassir El Bassam

Dr. Nassir El Bassam, director of the International Research Center for Renewable Energy in Germany ([IFEED](#)) visited Folkecenter (23-27 May), and gave a presentation about the role of IFEED.



## Taryn Lane

Taryn A. Lane, director of the [Hepburn Wind Community](#) in Australia, visited Folkecenter between 27 and 30 May, as part of her study trip in Denmark, for discussing about community power with Leire Gorroño, our expert of the topic.



## PhD from Kenya

Three PhD students from Kenya, together with some members from Aalborg University visited Folkecenter on 1 June, to know more about solar, wind and the activities that Folkecenter has and had in Africa.



## YFU

Folkecenter hosted for the 11th time a Youth for Understanding ([YFU](#)) meeting (6-8 June). The group consisted of 15 students coming from the US and Singapore, who wanted to know more about renewable energy solutions, solar wind and biomass in particular.



Visitors in May: 510