

“What about the climate in the Nordics?”

In January 2019, the Nordic Prime Ministers jointly declared their commitment to make the Nordic region carbon-neutral. At the breakfast seminar, we will present two brand-new reports that may contribute to this goal by providing actionable analytical insights.

Tracking Nordic Clean Energy Progress 2019 tracks Nordic progress towards a carbon neutral society by highlighting major trends and presenting Nordic solutions that could have a global impact. The report documents the latest progress in low-carbon technology development and penetration, as well as sectors that are lagging behind.

Nordic Green to Scale Cities and Communities offers a compelling answer to an interesting question: How far could we get simply by scaling up already proven Nordic low-carbon solutions? The report combines innovative analysis with active communication. The results show how implementing existing low-carbon solutions in Nordic cities and communities can take us a long way towards carbon-neutrality.

Time	
07:45	Address: Norwegian Embassy: Skarpögatan 4, Stockholm Registration and breakfast
08:15	Welcome HE The Ambassador of Norway Mr. Christian Syse and HE The Ambassador of Finland Ms. Liisa Talonpoika
08:20	<i>Tracking Nordic Clean Energy Progress 2019</i> , Bo Diczfalusy , Nordic Energy Research (NER)
08:40	<i>Scaling up Nordic climate solutions in cities</i> , Oras Tynkkynen , SITRA
09:00-09:30	Panel: Nordic cooperation towards carbon neutrality Cecilie Tenfjord-Toftby (M) Rickard Nordin (C) and Åsa Romson (IVL) Moderator: Mette Kahlin McVeigh , Programme Director Climate, FORES

Biographies



Bo Diczfalusy has more than forty years of experience working on energy and climate. Before joining NER, he has served as Administrative Director of the Swedish Parliamentary Energy Commission and as Director of the Directorate of Sustainable Energy Technology and Policy, IEA. He has also held the position of Permanent Secretary at the Swedish Ministry of Energy. Bo holds an MBA from Stockholm School of Economics.



Before joining Sitra (Innovation Finland), **Oras Tynkkynen** was a Member of Parliament in Finland for 11 years. Tynkkynen served as Prime Minister Matti Vanhanen's Advisor on Climate Policy. He was a co-founder of Friends of the Earth Finland. Oras is a prolific writer of articles and op-eds in a number of newspapers and has been a reporter for YLE's radio news.



Mette Kahlin McVeigh is in charge of the climate programme with the liberal think-tank FORES. She has previously worked at the British Embassy in Stockholm as a political attaché. She has further worked within energy and climate politics, public relations and advocacy in London and Brussels.



Cecilie Tenfjord-Toftby is a member of Swedish Parliament since 2008 representing the Moderate party. She is the party spokesperson on Climate and Energy issues and took part in the work of the Energy Commission. She is also a Nordic Council delegate and member Nordic Council Committee for a sustainable Nordic Region.



Rickard Nordin is a member of the Swedish Parliament. He is the spokesperson for the Centre Party on Climate and Energy issues and took part in the work of the Energy Commission.



Åsa Romson was spokesperson for the Green Party from 2011 to 2014. From 2014-2016 she served at the Minister of Climate and Environment. She has worked extensively with environmental and climate issues and holds a PhD from Stockholm University. She is currently working for the Swedish Environmental Research Institute (IVL).