



UTOYA

Welcome to Utøya





A MEETING PLACE

Today, Utøya is an international meeting place for people to meet, learn, exchange experiences, discuss, agree and disagree. In beautiful surroundings, we host groups, organizations and even international delegations that wish to use Utøya as a meeting place.

The image shows the interior of a modern learning center. The room is characterized by its extensive use of light-colored wood, including the ceiling, walls, and a series of tall, slender columns that support the structure. Large windows on the right side of the room offer a view of a lush green forest. In the foreground, several white plastic chairs are arranged in a circle on a light-colored floor. A dark wooden wall is visible on the left side of the frame. The overall atmosphere is bright and airy, with natural light streaming in from the windows.

A PLACE FOR LEARNING

Utøyas internationally acclaimed learning centre invites young people to reflect upon what democracy means to them, what today's challenges to democracy are, and how they themselves can take part in protecting democracy.

A large, diverse crowd of young people is gathered outdoors, many with their hands raised in the air, suggesting a lively event or concert. The background shows a wooden building and trees under a bright sky. The text is overlaid on a semi-transparent dark band across the middle of the image.

A PLACE TO ENGAGE

For generations, the summer camps at Utøya has been a place for young people to increase their political engagement and make new friends.

For political youth organizations to have their summer camp at Utøya is a strong symbol of young people's resilience to terror and violence.



22 July 2011

On 22 July 2011, a right-wing Norwegian extremist killed 69 people at Utøya in Norway, most of them young people attending the Norwegian Labour Party Youth's summer camp. The terrorist asserted that people with different cultural backgrounds cannot coexist in a society and promoted the conspiracy theory that Europe is slowly taken over by the Arabic world.



Commemoratio n

Today, Utøya carries a strong testimony of why values such as tolerance, equality and diversity cannot be taken for granted, but need to be promoted and practiced in everyday life. For this to happen there need to be more places for people to meet, not less.



Youth & Democracy

Learning

Since 22 July 2011 Utøya has been rebuilt as a learning center, balancing the need to commemorate and the need for new life, learning and engagement for a more inclusive, democratic society.

Utøya is an international meeting place and learning centre for young people fighting for democracy, human rights, peace and reconciliation – locally, nationally and globally.

How to get there

- Utøya is located in Holsfjorden 25 kilometres west of Oslo
- It takes about 40 minutes by car or bus to get there from Oslo.
- From Oslo Airport the journey takes approximately 1 hour and 15 minutes.
- All delegates and participants will be transported by bus to Utøya on arrival



Accommodation

At Utøya, we offer accommodation for up to 90 people. The rooms are located in various buildings on the island and have a charming and simple decor.

The cabins are divided into two rooms with a bathroom and a total of 8 beds. We have a cabin that is adapted for wheelchair users. It is also possible to stay in the School House, Sanitary Building, or in tents.



for teachers...

We offer accommodation for teachers at, Sundvolden Hotel

Sundvolden is located a ten minutes away from Utøya

The hotel is one of Norway's most traditional

If you choose to stay at the hotel, we will transport you there quickly and efficiently after a day on Utøya



Meals

All meals are served from the cantina at the conference center on Utøya

All dietary restrictions are of course catered for

It is possible to buy drinks and snacks during the evening from the kiosk outlet



Conference rooms

There are conference rooms for all committees

Internet access and printers are freely available

A library and recreational areas are open for all delegates and visitors



To learn more...

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