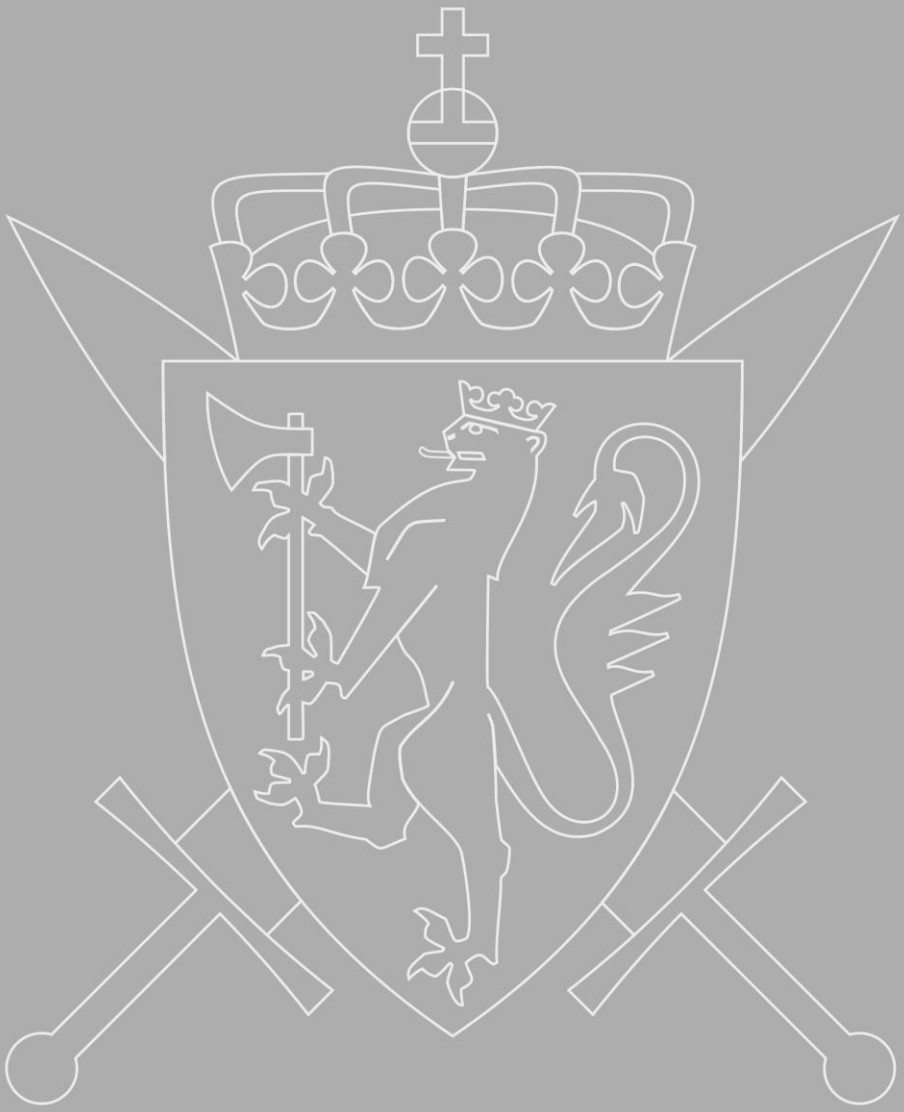
ROYAL NORWEGIAN
MINISTRY OF DEFENCE

PROGRAMME

Visit by NATO Defense College
Senior Course 142, Oslo, Norway

5th – 6th June 2023



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In case of Emergency

Medics	**113**
Police	**112**
Fire	**110**

PROGRAMME OF MONDAY JUNE 5TH

Dress: Service dress / informal

0900-0920 **Welcome and opening remarks**
by Minister of Defence, Mr. Bjørn Arild Gram

0920-1000 **"Norwegian Security Policy Perspectives"**
including 15 min of Q&A
by Director General Henning Vaglum
Security Policy and Operations (MoD)

1000-1130 **"The Norwegian Secret Services annual reports"**
including15 min of Q&A
by Vice Admiral Nils Andreas Stensønes
Chief National Intelligence Service
by Director Sofie Nystrøm
Norwegian National Security Authority
by Director Beate Gangås
Norwegian Police Security Service (TBD)

1130-1145 **Leg stretch**

1145-1245 **"The war in Ukraine and Western Military Cooperation"**
Panel discussion with
Professor Katarzyna Zysk, Institute for Defence Studies
Lieutenant General (Ret.) Arne Bård Dalhaug, Former Commandant NDC 2011-2014
Professor Janne Haaland Matlary, University of Oslo and
Director Kjell Inge Bjerga, Institute for Defence Studies (moderator)

1245-1345 Hosted lunch linked up with spouses
"Artilleriloftet" at Akershus Fortress

1345-1430 **"NATO and the new Nordic Allies"**, including 15 min of Q&A by Norway's permanent representative to NATO 2018-2022 and Norwegian Ambassador to Poland as of late August 2023

Mr. Øystein Bø

1430-1530 **“Svalbard – The Northernmost Norway. Key elements of the Svalbard treaty and Norwegian Policy”**
including 15 min of Q&A
by Director General Kristian Jervell
The Legal Affairs Department, MFA

End of Programme

PROGRAMME OF TUESDAY JUNE 6TH

Dress: Service dress/ informal

0900-0945 **Welcome and opening remarks including 15 min of Q&A**
by Chair of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and Defence
Ms. Ine Eriksen Søreide

0945-1030 **"The Geopolitics of Energy"**
including 15 min of Q&A
by Professor Ole Gunnar Austvik, Inland Norway University of Applied Sciences
Political Economy and Petroleum Economics

1030-1045 Leg stretch

1045-1145 **"The Total Defence concept"**
including 15 min of Q&A
by Deputy Director General Harald Rasmussen, Norwegian Directorate for Civil Protection
by Vice Admiral Elisabeth Natvig, Chief of Defense Staff
by Chief of Police Tone Vangen, the Norwegian National Police Directorate

1145-1245 Hosted lunch linked up with spouses
"Artilleriloftet" at Akershus Fortress

1245-1330 **"Artificial Intelligence"**
including 15 min of Q&A
by Research fellow Johanne Jensen Skeie
Norwegian Institute for Defence Studies

1330-1400 **"The Norwegian Long-Term Plan 2024"**
including 10 min of Q&A
by Deputy Director General Marianne Skuse
Section of Defence Planning, MoD

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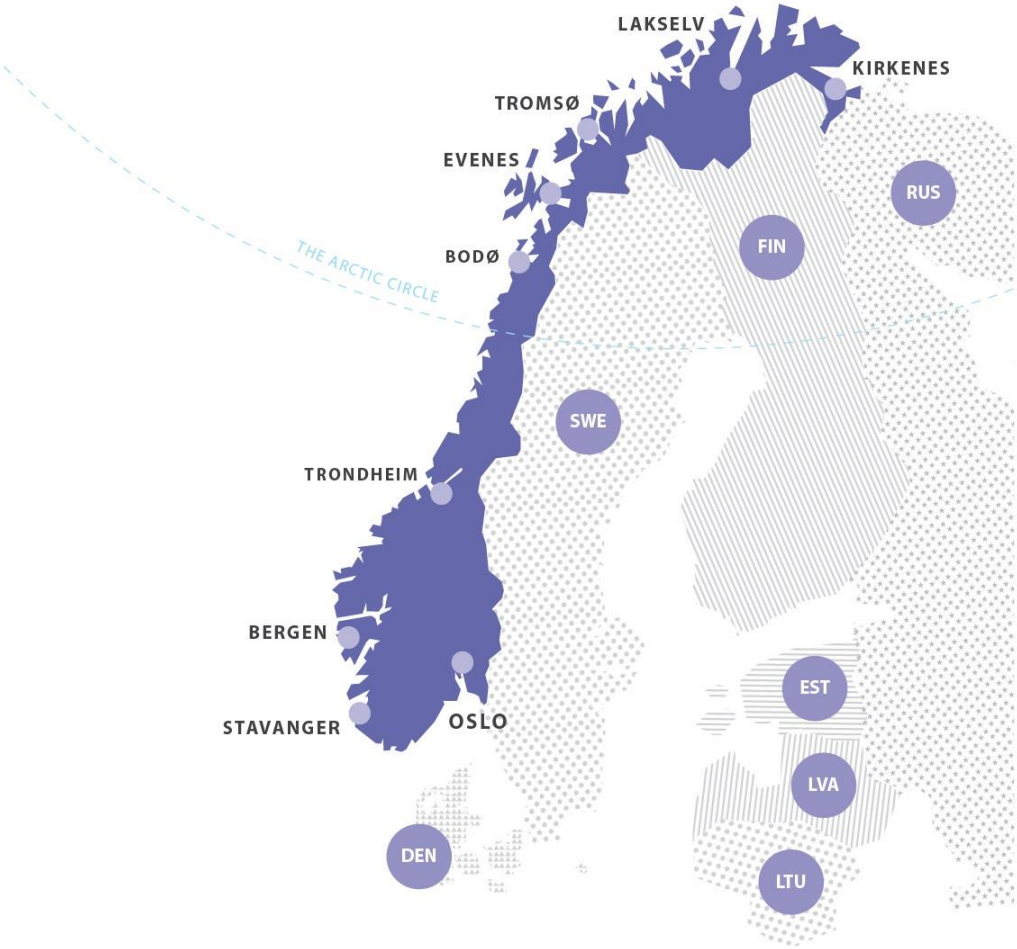
SVALBARD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NORWAY

The Norwegian name is Norge or Noreg. Originally, the name was Nordvegr – the northern way. Norway accounts for about 40 per cent of the Scandinavian Peninsula. Norway was unified in the late 9th century, and later entered unions with Denmark and Sweden. Norway got its constitution in 1814, and gained its full independence in 1905.

Norway is located in northwestern Europe.

LAND BORDERS	
Russia	198 km
Finland	716 km
Sweden	1,619 km

COASTLINE	
Total	28,000 km
Ecxl. fjords and inlets	2,650 km
Coastline with Russia	1,752 km

AREAS	
Norway	323,886 km²
Svalbard	60,050 km²
Jan Mayen	373 km²

Population
5,455,582

Mountains
62.1%

Cities
0.4%

Agricultural land
3.1%

Productive forest land
21.3%

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