



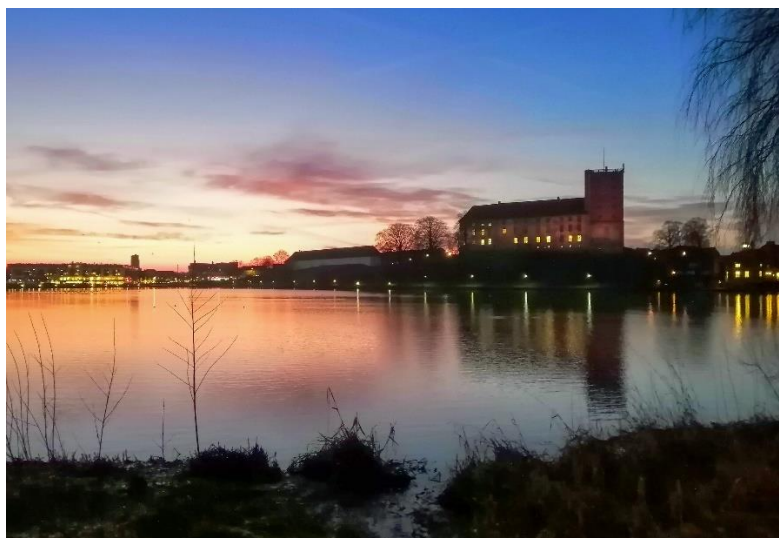
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**Welcome to Campus Kolding, Denmark**

**“Together we design the future”**

Kolding Municipality, International Business Academy, University College  
South Denmark, Design School Kolding





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## AGENDA

### Forum on Vocational Excellence 2025

#### “CoVE - Driven by learners, defined by excellence”

#### Day 1 – Monday, September 8<sup>th</sup> – Welcome

During the day	Arrival in Kolding and hotel check-in for participants
During the day	Side events for CoVE projects (partner meetings and conferences with individual programmes)
15:00 – 17:00	CoP CoVE Meeting venue: KUC – Ågade 27, 6000 Kolding
14:00 – 17:00	CoVE Football CUP Departure from Campus Kolding at 14:00 You will be back at Campus Kolding at 17:00
18:00 – 20:00	Welcome reception with drinks and appetizers at <a href="#">Koldinghus</a> Address of the venue: Koldinghus 1, 6000 Kolding  Doors open at 17H30 for registration and hand over of name cards, personal programmes and proof of payment <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Welcome to Forum on Vocational Excellence 2025</li><li>• Historic and cultural introduction to Kolding</li><li>• The museum at Koldinghus is open for the participants to visit from 19h00 to 20h00</li></ul>
20:00	Dinner on your own in groups  You will find a list of restaurants that will stay open for us this Monday evening on the conference website under practicalities. Recommended to book a table in advance.



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## Day 2 – Tuesday, September 9<sup>th</sup> – Conference Day

08:00

Registration and coffee

Venue: [Væveriet](#) – an old textile factory in Kolding

Address of the venue: Dalbygade 40D, 6000 Kolding

08:45

Plenary session

Moderator: Rogier Elshout

Unofficial opening chat

- With Boudewijn, Ragnhild & Henriette

Official opening

- Iben Lehmann Rasmussen, Member of City Council and Chairperson of Social Affairs and Employment Committee, Kolding Municipality
- Interview with Manuela Geleng
- Key note speech: Building up a local skills eco system through public – private partnership, by Mikael Sorknæs, Chief of Staff for Business, Education and Settlement, Kolding Municipality

Panel discussion 1: Excellence in VET

- Mads Haugsbøll, Secretary General, Danish VET Student's Association
  - Setting the scene: If I was a politician responsible for VET, I would do these 10 things to achieve excellence and (more / better??) European collaboration (or mobility?) within VET.
- Theodor Grassos, Secretary General, EVBB
- Adelaide Almeida, Project coordinator AILEEN CoVE project and European Federation for Welding, Joining and Cutting
- Pilvi Torsti, Director European Training Foundation
- Anna Banczyk, Head of Unit, DG EMPL
- Juergen Siebel, Director CEDEFOP

10:30 – 11:00

Coffee break and networking

Panel discussion 2: EU Competitiveness and VET

- Signe Tychsen Philip, Vice Director, Confederation of Danish Industries
  - Setting the scene: Introducing the tripartite system in Denmark for the negotiation and development of VET education, as a strength in supporting competitiveness for Danish enterprises



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- Troels Lund, Chief analytic, Economic Council of the Labour Movement
- Elise Andsager, Educational advisor, United Federation of Danish Workers
- Dàire Horgan, Project manager, T-Shore CoVE Project
- Mette Schack, Mason and opinion leader for gender equality
- Paolo Nardi, Director, EFVET

12:05	Concluding interview with Manuela Geleng
12:15	Short walk from Væveriet to Campus Kolding
12:30	Lunch and networking (See location on your personal programme)
13:30	1 <sup>st</sup> Workshop session (See workshop and location on your personal programme)
15:00	Coffee break and networking
15:30	2 <sup>nd</sup> Workshop session (See workshop and location on your personal programme)
17:00	Poster session, a glass of champagne and jazz music Venue: Kolding Education Center, Ågade 27, 6000 Kolding
18:30	Walking dinner and events in the educational institutions in Campus Kolding. (See location on your personal programme)  <i>Street food designed to reflect the image and approach of the educational institutions. Follow the route mentioned on your personal programme and you will visit the three educational institutions and experience different exhibitions prepared and presented by students.</i>



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## Day 3 – Wednesday, September 10<sup>th</sup> – Study Visit Day

08:00 – 9:00

Bus ride to the study visit locations (see your choice on your personal programme)

*Lunch will be served during the study visits*

*In close collaboration with CoVE projects in Denmark and other actors, the following study visits are proposed to the participants.*

- 1) Vocational Excellence in Offshore, Energy and Climate
- 2) Innovating Green Solutions: Visit to Byggros A/S in Odense
- 3) From Project to Practice: Exploring the Impact of EPLUG CoVE project at Green Academy Aarhus
- 4) Vocational Excellence through simulation training
- 5) Responsible Farming
- 6) Exploring excellence in Dairy Education and Innovation
- 7) Danish model for excellent development of educational content and learner frameworks (Håndværker kollegiet i Horsens)
- 8) Excellence in Social inclusion (Visit to the “AspIT Programme” with special focus on training of and inclusion in enterprises of young people with an aspergers diagnosis) On the way back to Kolding a visit to an enterprise engaging students from the AspIT programme will be organised.
- 9) Visit to Euroskills 2025

16:00 – 17:30

Closing session

Venue: [Væveriet](#) – an old textile factory in Kolding

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Moderator: Rogier Elshout

- Julie Elm Vig Albertsen, Director Danish Agency for Education and Quality
- Mario Nava, Director General DG EMPL, European Commission
- Mark Vitterup Søgaard, Member of the Regional Council, Region of Southern Denmark

Celebrating the students that have participated in the implementation of the Forum.

Handing over of the “CoVE Flame” to next years’ organisers of the Forum on Vocational Excellence.

Evening

Dinner on your own. Please see the list of restaurants on the conference website



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**From Thursday, September 11<sup>th</sup> – Saturday, September 13<sup>th</sup>**

- Participate in *EuroSkills 2025* in Herning <https://euroskills2025.com/>