

Architecture Sans Frontières International

General Assembly 2023

Copenhagen, Denmark July 1+2

Infopack A



Welcome to Copenhagen!

Architects Without Borders International are excited to welcome you to this year's General Assembly 2023, hosted by ASF-Denmark

In this infopack A you can read about the programme, venue and practicalities. It will be followed by infopack B with working group updates, budget and General Assembly-agenda.

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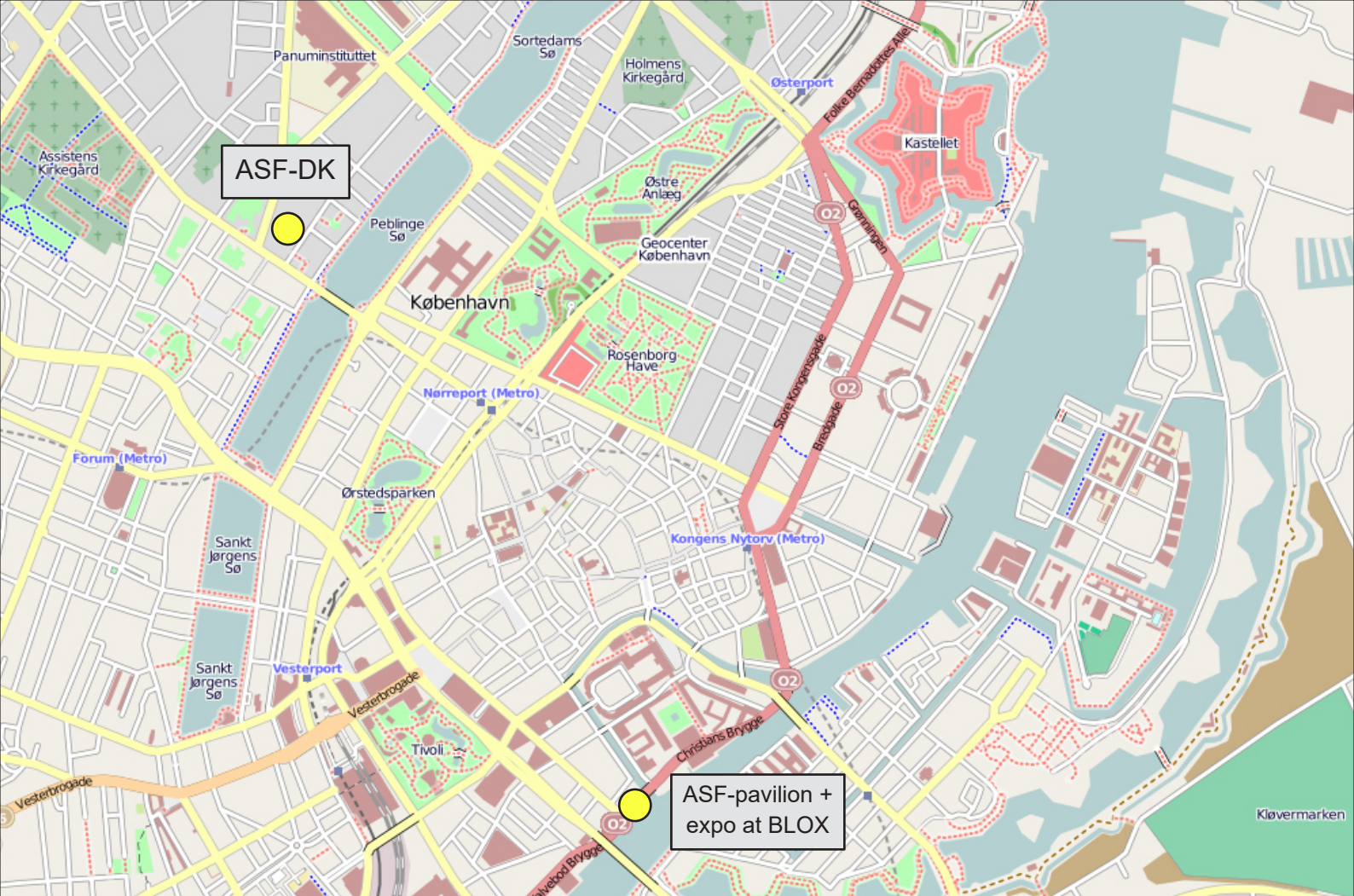
Welcome to Copenhagen!

Copenhagen, the capital of Denmark, is the hometown of this year's host - Architects Without Borders Denmark.

Copenhagen is a little-big city with around 1.4 mio. citizens and a friendly and relaxed ambience. This viking fishing village has over the course of 1.000 years transformed into a city of both historical and contemporary neighbourhoods, lakes, waterways and parks.

Here, everything is within reach on a short trip by bicycle - the Copenhageners preferred mode of transportation - as you will see. Copenhagen has repeatedly been awarded as one of the world's most livable cities, and we're excited to welcome you to come and experience it for yourself.





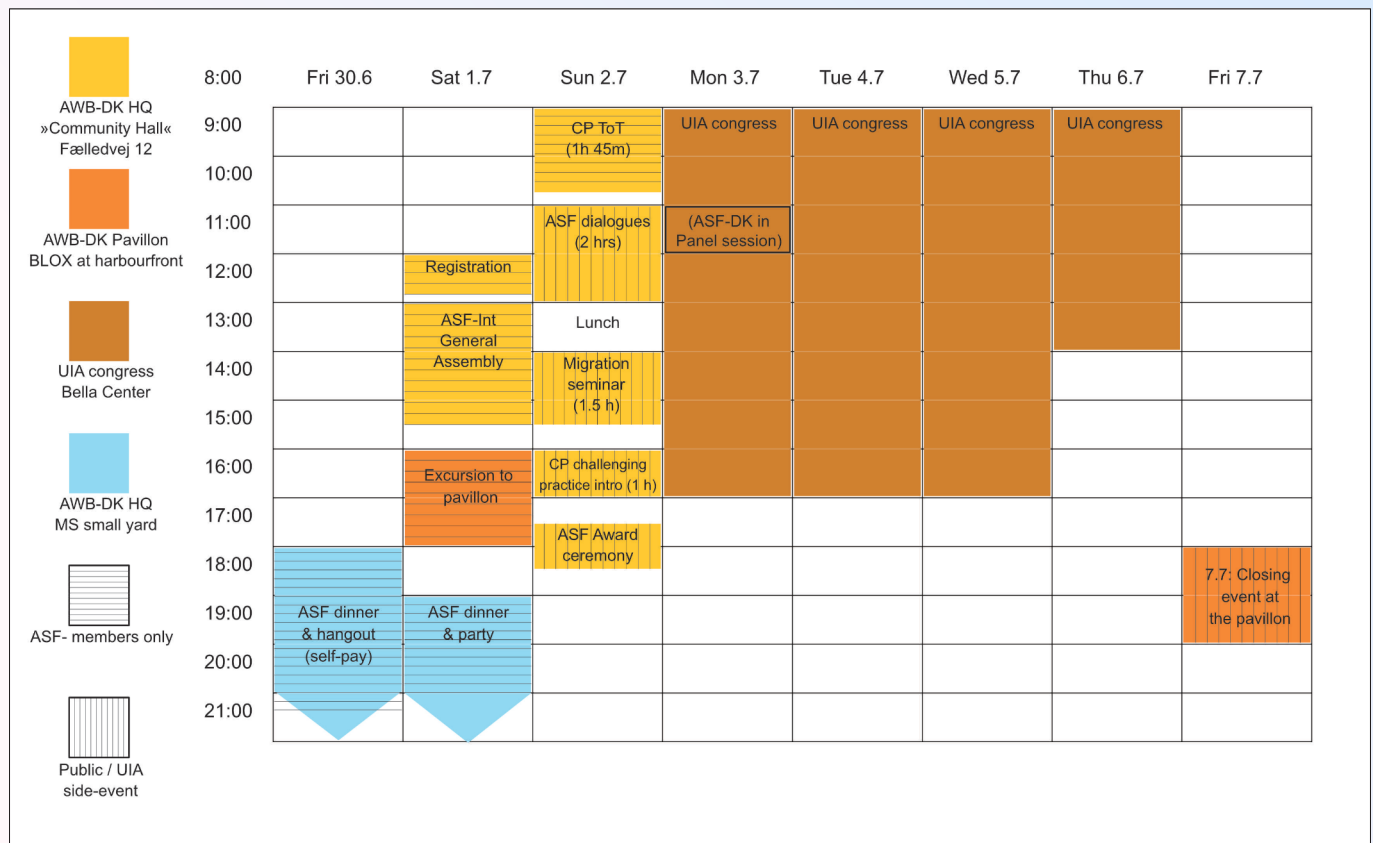
Venues

The main venue will be at ASF-DK's office (HQ) in the Nørrebro district, where the GA and other events will take place. Address: Fælledvej 12, 2200 Copenhagen N.

The pavilion, which we will visit on Saturday afternoon, is located at the multifunctional BLOX building by the waterfront. BLOX also houses the Danish Architecture Center. Address: Bryghuspladsen 10, 1473 Copenhagen K

General Assembly week-programme

As a special feature, this year's GA is designed to coincide with the [World Congress of Architects](#), which takes place in Copenhagen from July 2-6. As hosts we wanted to take the opportunity to expose the work of ASF-International members to an international audience, in various ways. We hope that the exposure can foster a greater recognition of ASF-int member's work, and create new or improved relations and strenghtening of our network. The GA-programme therefore has elements that are both fully public and some that are for ASF-member organisations only.



Programme Saturday July 1.

ASF-international General Assembly

Time & place: 13-15.30 CEST in »Community Hall« entrance B. Also online.

The GA is open to all members of any ASF-International member-organisation. The exact GA-agenda will be sent to all registered participants in infopack B.

Excursion to ASF-DK pavilion at the harbourfront

Time & place: 16-18. Departure from yard outside entrance B.

To celebrate Copenhagen's role as host of the UIA World Congress of Architects, Copenhagen has been awarded the label »World Capital of Architecture« in 2023. And to showcase Danish architecture to an international audience, the Danish Architect's Association has invited architectural offices to design and build pavilions along the harbourfront. At ASF-DK we have taken the opportunity to design a pavilion as an interpretation of our most recently completed development project - the Bio-centre. The pavilion asks provocatively - Why give a shit? And tells the story of the difference that basic sanitation can make in an impoverished slum community in Kampala, Uganda.

Together we will take a stroll through the old city centre to the pavilion and back.

Read more about the pavilion [here](#).

Dinner party for ASF-int member-organisations

Time & place: 19-21. Small yard near entrance C.

This evening we invite all ASF-int members to join us for dinner and drinks at our open-air courtyard. Please sign up during online registration so we know how many to cater for. The dinner is self-paid but we'll make sure there will be good food at a good price.

Sunday July 2. programme:

Challenging Practice (CP) Training of Trainers session

Time & place: 9-10:45 in »Community Hall« entrance B. For ASF-int members only.

ASF's Training and Research group is looking forward to see you in Copenhagen and specifically in this CP activity, that will be held for the first time at an ASFInt-General Assembly. In this ToT session you can get familiarised on how to run a Challenging Practice Course from your organisation, fully supported by the organisations that are experienced in running this training.

Read more and sign up [here](#).

ASF-dialogues (public event)

Time & place: 11-13 in »Community Hall« entrance B

ASF-dialogues is a recurring, public event in relation to the ASF-GA where ASF-int members showcase projects and concepts, and engage in debate regarding the network's contributions to the humanitarian and development sector.

Besides project presentations, this year's dialogue focuses on the potentials and limitations of volunteer actions, and seeks to explore links between those who engage in architectural volunteering and those of the established architect's associations.

If you are interested in presenting your organisation's work at this year's ASF-dialogues, please contact the Danish organisers at ary@aug.ngo

Read more and sign up [here](#).

Sunday July 2. programme, continued...

Colloquium on migration and urban vulnerability (public event)

14-15:30 in »Community Hall«, entrance B. Also online. Read more and sign up [here](#).

How do ASF member organizations respond to issues of urban vulnerability such as settling the forcibly displaced after a conflict or a disaster or housing the homeless? In this annual colloquium, architects, designers, urban planners, and other specialists of the built environment, members of different chapters of Architecture Sans Frontières, share their strategies, challenges, and learnings in various situations of urban vulnerability.

Architecture in the context of inequality – 10 years of ‘Challenging Practice’

Time & place: 16-17 in »Community Hall« entrance B. Read more and register [here](#).

This event will showcase the ‘Challenging Practice – Essential for the Social Production of Habitat’ programme. Challenging Practice (CP) is an independent-learning programme that seeks to enable built environment practitioners to engage critically and creatively with the challenge of creating fairer cities.

The programme will include a presentation about CP, followed by a panel discussion with representatives of CP-teams from ASF-International member organisations. This event will provide a great opportunity to learn more about the CP programme and explore potentials for taking part in it and/or being involved in its future.

ASF-award ceremony

Time & place: 17:30-18:30 in the yard at entrance C, or »Community Hall« in case of rain.

ASF-international organises a bi-annual prize-award, promoting and rewarding architectural projects in line with the shared values of the ASF-int members. At this ceremony the award-secretary and jury will announce and celebrate this year’s winner.

Read more about the ASF-Award here: asfint.org/en/programs/asf-award or [here](#).

Globalhagen Community

ASF-DK's office is located in the social co-working space Globalhagen, owned by the major Danish NGO [Mellemfolkeligt Samvirke](#) (= inter-people cooperation), today part of the international Action Aid network. The location gives us access to a range of well-equipped meeting rooms and cosy outdoor spaces where we will host this year's GA.

Below: the small yard where Saturday evening's dinner will take place.



Practical info

Registration for GA + events

Please use the event-links in this folder for registration. In order to register for the GA please use the form has been sent to your national ASF-organisation.

Attendance and voting at the General Assembly

Only members of an ASF-International member organisation can attend the GA. Voting rights at the GA is distributed with one vote pr participating member organisation. Voting rights can be transferred to other organisations if necessary. Please contact the ASF-International Secretary General at secretary-general@asfint.org for questions regarding voting rights and procedures.

Accommodation in Copenhagen

Copenhagen has a range of budget hotels, hostels and many listings on airbnb, but demand is high in summer and Denmark is not a cheap country, so we advice you to book soon. Some ASF-DK members may assist with private accommodation, so please get in touch with our accommodation-manager Alberte at ade@aug.ngo if you are interested in this opportunity. We cannot guarantee anything though, as it depends on our members.

Transport to Central Copenhagen

From the airport: take the Metro to any metro-stop in the city. The nearest stop to our office is Nørreport, from where it takes 12 mins by foot to Fælledvej 12. Or catch bus 5C. and get off at first stop after you cross the bridge over the lake.

ASF-DK contact info

Our office is located at Fælledvej 12, 2200 Copenhagen N, entrance C, top floor.

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