

GERMAN DANISH BUSINESS FORUM

# Connectivity for the future

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The Hamburg Chamber of Commerce, Danish Industry and the German-Danish Chamber of Commerce are organizing the 6th German Danish Business Forum on 1 October 2025 in Copenhagen – this time under the title **Connectivity for the Future.**



## **Event Description**

Join us for a great day in Copenhagen dedicated to German-Danish relations and emerging cross-border business opportunities.

Closer cooperation is in the strategic interest of both German and Danish companies especially in a world marked by constant disruption and growing unpredictability. The German Danish Business Forum convenes industry leaders and policy makers from both countries with the goal of fostering future-oriented partnerships and driving sustainable business growth.

This forum will explore how Germany and Denmark can become resilient, enhance innovation capacity, and increase global competitiveness.

At the same time, the forum will address the shared ambition of Germany and Denmark to develop European solutions in the areas of green transition and digital transformation.

## **Germany and Denmark: A Model of Economic Partnership**

Denmark and Germany share a deep-rooted economic connection, with trade and investment fostering innovation and growth across sectors. In 2023, bilateral trade exceeded €30 billion, demonstrating the strength and agility of this cross-border collaboration.

Investment flows in both directions are robust, with German companies actively investing in Danish innovations, especially in renewable energy and digital solutions, while Danish companies expand in Germany's industrial and green sectors.

Together, the two neighbors are establishing benchmarks in green technology, sustainable industry, and digital solutions, creating impactful change within Europe and beyond.

# Program

## Connectivity, Resilience, and Innovation

The business forum will consist of a joint morning program followed by three sector programs in the afternoon. The program will end with a joint reception at the Danish Industry building in Copenhagen. During the day, there will be plenty of time for networking.

The morning conference will focus on connectivity, resilience and innovation. The afternoon will consist of three parallel thematic blocks, each with two workshops on: Green transition; sustainable building and living, and digitalization and automation.

### Opening Session

9.00 Registration, coffee, and networking

#### 10.00 Welcome remarks

- Thomas Bustrup, Deputy CEO, Danish Industry
- Philip Koch, Director International, Hamburg Chamber of Commerce

#### 10.10 Keynotes

- Anke Meyer, German Ambassador to Denmark
- Mikkel Hemmingsen, CEO, Sund & Bælt Holding A/S

#### 10.30 Connectivity Enhanced – Shaping Growth Together

- Andreas Wenzel, CEO, German- Danish Chamber of Commerce

#### 10.40 Paneldiscussion: Shaping the Future Together: German-Danish Business Leadership in Europe

- Michael Chino Hjorth, EVP CCO, NKT
- Knud Erik Andersen, CEO, European Energy
- Andre Rogaczewski, CEO, Netcompany
- Pernille Haaning, Country Chair Denmark, RWE
- Ditte Brasso Sørensen, Deputy Director and Senior Fellow, Think Tank Europe

#### 11.55 Keynote

- Morten Bødskov, Minister for Industry, Business and Financial Affairs

12.10 Lunch and networking

#### 13.00 Parallel workshops

- Green Hydrogen: Powering the Future
- Circular and Sustainable Building
- Industrial Automation and AI

14.00 Coffee and networking

#### 14.30 Parallel workshops

- Decarbonizing Industry
- Urban Planning for Future Cities
- Digital Solutions to improve Competitiveness

#### 15.30 Closing session

Joint wrap-up

- Philip Koch, Director International, Hamburg Chamber of Commerce
- Andreas Wenzel, CEO, German- Danish Chamber of Commerce
- Jens Holst Nielsen, Director, Global Market Development, Danish Industry

#### 16.00 Networking reception

#### 17.00 Finish

Moderator of the day: Ida Ebbensgaard, Journalist



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