



18th Viking Congress

Denmark, 6–12 August 2017

Programme

August 6 Conference Day 1 (Copenhagen)

- 9.00 – 10.00 Registration and coffee at the National Museum**
Delegates are requested to be seated in the Cinema no later than 10:00.
- 10.15 Arrival of Her Majesty at the National Museum; welcomed by Director General Rane Willerslev**
- 10.15 – 10.45 Conference Opening in the CINEMA of the National Museum**
Official opening of the conference by Her Majesty Queen Margrethe
Anne Pedersen / Søren M. Sindbæk, members of the Congress council
- 10.45 – 12.15 Session 1**
Chair: Curator Per Kristian Madsen, The National Museum
- 10.45 – 11.05 “Beyond the Foaming Maelstrom” – Sea Routes, Seascapes and Insular Boat Burial
Stephen Harrison, Ireland
- 11.05 – 11.25 Vikings beyond the Motherland – the case of Gnezdovo
Veronica Murasheva, Russia
- 11.25 – 11.45 Viking/Anglo-Saxon Interaction in South-West Scotland: The Galloway Hoard
James Graham-Campbell, England
- 11.45 – 12.05 The Last Viking King
Ármann Jakobsson, Iceland
- 12.10 Delegates are requested to remain in the Cinema until Her Majesty has left.**
- 12.15 – 13.40 Lunch at the National Museum (opportunity to visit the exhibitions)**
- 13.40 – 15.00 Session 2: Catalysts and change in the Viking Age**
Chair: Head Curator Anne-Christine Larsen, The National Museum
- 13.40 – 14.00 Scandinavia in the Viking Age: A peaceful network society
Jon Viðar Sigurdsson, Norway
- 14.00 – 14.20 War and Peace in the Viking Age: Collective violence and preventive strategies in a comparative perspective
Fedir Androshchuk, Sweden

14.20 – 14.40 Viking Age Danish Legal Procedure – Part of a common Scandinavian law
Anne Irene Riisø, Norway

14.40 – 15.00 Danish Influence on the Earliest Rune Stones in Uppland
Magnus Källström, Sweden

15.00 – 15.30 Coffee

15.30 – 17.00 Session 3: Catalysts and change in the Viking Age
Chair: Professor emerita Else Roesdahl, Aarhus University

15.30 – 15.50 Avaldsnes: A sea-kings' seat at the Island of Kjørmt
Dagfinn Skre, Norway

15.50 – 16.05 “And they proceeded to plough and to support themselves”: The Viking Great Army and the settlement of Northumbria
Julian Richards, England

16.05 – 16.20 Changing Places: tracing the Viking Great Army in Lincolnshire
Dawn Hadley, England

16.20 – 16.40 Repton resolved? New evidence for the nature and impact of the Great Army winter camp
Catrine Jarman, England

16.40 – 17.00 From Plunder to Early State Building and Taxation in Viking Age England
Gert Tinggaard Svendsen & Marie Bønløkke Missuno, Denmark

17.30 – 19.00 Reception at the National Museum

August 7 Conference Day 2 (Copenhagen)

9.00 – 10.20 Session 4: Catalysts and change in the Viking Age
Chair: Associate Professor Pernille Hermann, Aarhus University

9.00 – 9.20 Monumental Myths – The ship grave ritual as a mean in political centralisation processes in Viking Age Scandinavia
Jan Bill, Norway

9.20 – 9.40 The Riddles of a Chamber-grave – Bj 750 at Birka
Gunnar Andersson, Sweden

9.40 – 10.00 Burial and Religious Change in Viking Age Iceland
Orri Vésteinsson, Iceland

10.00 – 10.20 The End of Viking Age Iceland: settlement history and the institutionalization of Christianity
Douglas J. Bolender, USA

10.20 – 10.45 Coffee

10.45 – 12.10 Session 5: Catalysts and change in the Viking Age
Chair: Associate Professor Pernille Hermann

10.45 – 11.05 Personal Belief in Hiberno-Norse Dublin
Ragnall Ó Floinn, Ireland

11.05 – 11.25 Scandinavian Christianity Overseas in the Ninth Century
Lesley Abrams, England

11.25 – 11.45 Early Christian grave monuments, social networks and ecclesiastical organisation in eleventh-century Sweden
Cecilia Ljung, Sweden

11.45 – 12.05 The Cross and the Sword: Signs of dual religious belonging in a late Viking Age warrior grave in Langeid, South Norway
Zanette Tsigaridas Glørstad, Norway

12.10 – 13.30 Lunch at the National Museum

13.30 – 15.00 Session 6: The power of social networks

Chair: Senior researcher Anne Pedersen, The National Museum

13.30 – 13.50 Time and Cult: Viking-Age Seasonal Rituals
Alexandra Sanmark, Scotland

13.50 – 14.10 Mythology of the Prose Edda interacting with the sky
Gisli Sigurdsson, Iceland

14.10 – 14.40 Healing Runes
Judith Jesch & Christina Lee, England

14.40 – 15.00 “Humans of Ribe” – the cemetery of an early urban community
Sarah Croix, Denmark

15.00 – 15.30 Coffee

15.30 – 17.00 Session 7: The power of social networks, town dwellers

Chair: Senior researcher Anne Pedersen

15.30 – 15.50 Revisiting Birka’s Black Earth Harbour
Sven Kalmring & Lena Holmquist, Sweden

15.50 – 16.10 Intersection Sigtuna – The first town dwellers in Sweden's oldest town
Torun Zachrisson, Sweden

16.10 – 16.30 Into the Melting Pot: Culinary Identities in Viking-Age England
Steve Ashby, England

16.30 – 16.50 The Allure of the Foreign – Social and Cultural Aspects of the use of Imported Objects in Viking Age Scandinavia
Hanne Lovise Aannestad, Norway

16.50 – 17.00 Closing remarks, practical information

18.00 **Optional visit to The Arnamagnean manuscript collection at Nordisk Forskningsinstitut, Copenhagen University, Njalsgade 136, Building 27; two groups 18.00 / 19.00: Depending on the weather, it is possible to walk directly from the museum to the university (guides Pernille Hermann / Anne Pedersen)**

18.00 – 21.00 **Optional visit to Borgring; Søren M. Sindbæk / Curator Jens Ulrichsen, Museum Sydøstdanmark**

Dinner at own initiative

August 8 Conference Day 3 – Transfer to Ribe with visits at archaeological sites

- 8.00 Departure from the National Museum, Copenhagen
- 9.00 Viking Ship Museum and workshops, Roskilde (Curator Anne Christina Sørensen & Søren Nielsen, Head of Dept. for Maritime crafts, reconstruction and activities)
- 11.00 Trip to the fortress Trelleborg, incl. lunch (Head curator Anne-Christine Larsen)
- 16.00 Departure for Jelling (monument complex and exhibition); tapas buffet at Kongernes Jelling
- C. 21.15 Arrival at Danhostel in the centre of Ribe, Sct Peders Gade 16

August 9 Conference Day 4, Ribe Katedralskole

9.00 – 9.10 Welcome at Ribe Katedralskole (Puggaardsgade 22, Ribe)
Museum Director Flemming Just, Sydvestjyske Museer

9.10 – 10.10 Session 8: Finds from Denmark
Chair: Curator Morten Søvsvø, Sydvestjyske Museer

9.10 – 9.30 Jelling – A part of the surrounding communicative landscape
Charlotta Lindblom, Denmark

9.30 – 9.50 Henne – A special settlement on the west coast of Denmark
Lene B. Frandsen, Denmark

9.50 – 10.10 The extraordinary chamber grave from Fregerslev, Denmark – The find, excavation and future
Merethe Schifter Bagge, Denmark

10.15 – 10.40 Coffee

10.40 – 12.00 Session 9: Denmark; The power of social networks, North and East
Chairman: Curator Morten Søvsvø

10.40 – 11.00 The gold hoard from Fæsted – The find and its context
Lars Grundvad & Bo Ejstrud, Denmark

11.00 – 11.20 Moving East: An interdisciplinary approach to the question of the beginning of the eastern expansion
Charlotte Hedenstierna-Jonson, Sweden

11.20 – 11.40 Convivium, cohabitation and lost encounters – Changing socio-economic relations between Baltic Finns and groups in Eastern Middle Sweden in the Late Viking age and High Middle Ages
Mats Roslund, Sweden

12.00 – 13.20 Lunch

13.20 – 14.30 Session 10: The power of social networks, West
Chair: Dr Colleen Batey, University of Glasgow

13.20 – 13.40 How Scandinavian was the Viking Age in the northern isles?
David Griffiths, England

13.40 – 14.00 Interaction and identity in south-west Wales in the Viking Age
Nancy Edwards, Wales

14.00 – 14.20 Politics, Art and Identity: Changing Attitudes to Viking Art in Ireland
Griffin Murray, Ireland

14.20 – 14.45 Coffee

14.45 – 16.00 Session 11: The power of social networks continued

Chair: Dr Colleen Batey

14.45 – 15.05 Settlement change in Scandinavian Scotland: special deposits in domestic contexts
Jane Harrison, England

15.10 – 15.40 Not necessarily a lack of imagination? – Names and nodality in Scotia Scandinavica
Alan MacNiven & Arne Kruse, Scotland

15.40 – 16.00 Viking shieling names and Scandinavian settlement in Scotland
Ryan Foster, Scotland

16.00 Poster presentations (see attached list) & book table at Ribe Katedralskole

18.30 Wine reception for delegates at The Old Town Hall, von Støckens Plads, Ribe (open from 18.00)

19.30 Town walks, different options:

A Ribe Cathedral Tour – Visit Denmark's oldest church and the various functions of the monastery since 1228, when it was founded by Dominican monks.

B and C The old part of Ribe – Tour through the medieval town center. The trip includes countless fascinating stories and details about Ribe.

D Tour of the Northern Emporium Project excavation at Ribe's Viking-age emporium – The trip includes updates on recent discoveries and finds from the largest-ever research excavation in Scandinavia's earliest urban settlement.

Dinner at own initiative

August 10 Conference Day 5 – Sessions in Ribe, ½-day excursion to Hedeby etc.

9.00 – 10.10 Session 12: The power of social networks continued

Chair: Olwyn Owen, University of the Highlands and Islands

9.05 – 9.25 The Year 1000 and Northern European Boom-time Economics
James Barrett, England

9.25 – 9.45 Vikings and Cymru – new evidence for social dynamics
Mark Redknap, Wales

9.45 – 10.05 Economy and Authority in Viking Age Ireland
Andrew Woods, England

10.10 – 10.40 Coffee

10.40 – 12.00 Session 13: The power of social networks continued

Chair: Olwyn Owen

10.40 – 11.00 Shared Values

Nanouschka Myrberg Burström, Sweden

11.00 – 11.20 The sources of Viking wealth: Lead isotope analysis of silver from the Bedale, Yorkshire, hoard

Jane Kershaw

11.20 – 11.40 Communication through creativity – The 'Vestfold school' revisited

Unn Pedersen, Norway

11.40 – 12.00 Farin vestr – eða sunnan. On the significance of the insular and continental "imports" in Viking period Hedeby

Volker Hilberg, Schleswig

12.00 – 13.00 Lunch

13.00 – 19.00 Excursion to Hedeby and return trip via Danevirke

13.00 Departure (please remember to bring your Passport)

14.30 Estimated arrival at Hedeby (introduction to site and excavation: Kirsten Jensen-Huß, Volker Hilberg, Sven Kalmring and Ute Drews)

19.30 Dinner at own initiative

19.30 Viking Congress Council Meeting at Det Gamle Rådhus, von Støckens Plads, Ribe

August 11 Conference Day 6

9.00 – 10.20 Session 14: The power of social networks / Viking impact

Chair: Head curator Anne-Christine Larsen

9.00 – 9.20 Shetland's Lost Landnám

Val Turner, Scotland

9.20 – 9.40 The Kame of Isbister Revisited: Monastery or Stronghold?

Andrew Jennings, Scotland

9.40 – 10.00 The political landscape of Viking Age Bornholm (Denmark)

Gitte Ingvarðson, Denmark

10.00 – 10.20 The changing corpus of Danish Viking art: Animal-style no longer the only game in town

Nancy L. Wicker, USA

10.20 – 10.50 Coffee

10.50 – 12.20 Session 15: Viking impact – pride and prejudice

Chair: Professor Máire Ní Mhaonaigh, University of Cambridge

10.50 – 11.10 Viking Archaeology in Poland: Past, Present and Future

Leszek Gardeła, Poland

11.10 – 11.30 Where are you to?" Thinking about the Vikings in Newfoundland and Labrador

Shannon Lewis-Simpson, Newfoundland

11.35 – 11.55 The Ostmen in Medieval Ireland
Emer Purcell, Ireland

11.55 – 12.15 Losing one's tongue: place-names and language changes in medieval Wirral
Eleanor Rye, England

12.20 – 13.35 Lunch

13.35 – 15.00 Session 16: Projects and methods

Chair: Professor Søren M. Sindbæk, Urbnet/Aarhus University

13.35 – 13.55 The Viking Phenomenon: A progress report
Neil Price, Sweden

13.55 – 14.15 Hofstaðir in Mývatnsveit: the bioarchaeology of an early Christian cemetery
Hildur Gestsdóttir, Iceland

14.15 – 14.35 Hidden patterns – Contextualization of isotope and aDNA data in Sigtuna
Anna Kjellström, Sweden

14.40 – 15.10 Coffee

15.10 – 17.00 Session 17: Viking impact – pride and prejudice continued

Chair: Professor Søren M. Sindbæk

15.10 – 15.30 Viking Heroes and Aspiring Emperors: Learned political discourse in the context of the Viking Age
Máire Ní Mhaonaigh, Ireland

15.30 – 15.50 Viking Age heritage or Viking Age continuity? Orkneyinga saga's account of Sveinn Ásleifarson's 12th century Viking activity
Randi Bjørshol Wærdahl, Norway

15.50 – 16.10 Íslands kvennalof: Cultural memories of Viking-Age women in eighteenth century praise poetry
Sofie Vanherpen, Belgium

16.10 – 16.45 Congress conclusions

18.00 Congress dinner at Ribe VikingCenter

Bus transport: Departure 17.45 from Danhostel, Sct. Peders Gade 16.

Bus return: Departure from the main entrance of the centre at 21.20.

Distance from the centre of Ribe 2.5 km, estimated 30-40 min. walk

18.00 Guided tour around the center (farm, town, market place, harbour project),

19.00 – 21.00 Dinner in the garden. Dinner ends at Ansgar's Church.

Please note, that the centre recommends "sensible" clothing and shoes as the tour is outdoors and the dinner, depending on the weather, will take place in a tent without wooden floors. www.ribevikingecenter.dk,

August 12 Home travel day

Train connections from Ribe via Bramming to Vejle (bus to Billund Airport) and Copenhagen (Kastrup Airport)

<http://www.rejseplanen.dk/>

Bus connection from Ribe to Billund Airport via Esbjerg

<https://www.rome2rio.com/s/Ribe/Billund-Airport-BLL>



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Poster presentations, 9 August

Of Warriors and Beast
Jamie Barnes, Scotland

Technological development in Viking-age locks and keys: Changing attitudes to security, possession & ownership?
Heidi Lund Berg, Norway

Sacrifice in Viking Age Britain and Ireland
Tom Davis, Scotland

Animal spaces and human memory: transforming the place of Viking-age Iceland
Harriet Jean Evans, England

Seeking maritime landscapes of power in the towers of the North: Orkney's Norse Castles and Churches
Sarah Jane Gibbon, Scotland

Across the North Sea: New Insular finds from Viking-Age Norway
Aina Heen Petterson, Norway

Burials and Landscape in the Faroe Islands during the Viking Age
Ann Sølvia Lydersen Jacobsen, Faroes

The Past in the Present. Prehistoric barrows and Viking-Age cemeteries west of the Lillebælt, Denmark
Christian Juel, Denmark

Claiming Vinland with an Alt-Right (Identitarian) flag
Merrill Kaplan, U.S.A.

The nature of the feast: commensality and the politics of consumption in Viking and Late Norse Orkney
Ingrid Mainland, Scotland

The Vikings – ‘our forebears’? The role of the Viking Age in legitimising modern gender ideology
Marianne Moen, Norway

Coinage as catalyst for societal change
Jens Christian Moesgaard, Denmark

Viking Age Shields: Intersections between life, death and myth
Kerstin Odebäck Näversköld, Sweden

From Norse to Scottish (or when is a castle not a castle): Revisiting Tuquoy, Orkney
Olwyn Owen, Scotland

Violence and enculturation in Viking-Age Scandinavia
Ben Raffield, Sweden

Erritsø – a remarkable, fortified site from AD c. 700 – 850 at the Lillebælt, Denmark
Mads Ravn, Denmark

The chronology of the Viking-Age settlement of Iceland
Magdalena Schmid, Iceland

Early Vikings in the Isle of Man
Dirk Steinforth

Patron

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