

Invitation to the Norwegian Cruise Conference 2026 – Registration Now Open

The Norwegian Cruise Conference has become an important meeting ground for the cruise industry and Norwegian authorities.

The next conference will be held on **22 January 2026**, with preparedness and zero-emission requirements in the World Heritage fjords at the top of the agenda.



More about The Norwegian Cruise Conference, the 2026 preliminary program and registration:

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The program will address the various environmental regulations facing the industry.

On the preparedness side, the following topics will be highlighted:

- Emergency response plans from national and regional authorities
- Risk and vulnerability analyses (ROS)
- The role of the Joint Rescue Coordination Centre (JRCC) and the use of RITS (Rescue Intervention at Sea)
- Operational preparedness and coordination responsibilities of the Norwegian Directorate for Civil Protection (DSB) and the Norwegian Coastal Administration

A joint table top exercise will be presented to shed light on safety and preparedness challenges for cruise vessels—such as vessel fires occurring while docked, at anchor, or in transit.

Both regulatory experts and representatives from the cruise industry will contribute with perspectives.

The conference hosts promise a highly relevant, engaging, and practical program.

The Norwegian Cruise Conference also offers a valuable arena for maintaining existing relationships and forging new ones.

Date: January 22nd 2026

Venue: Thon Hotel Ålesund

Registration: Now open. Link above.

Note: Maximum number of participants: 120. The conference has been fully booked in previous years. Final registration deadline: 7 January.

The Norwegian Cruise Conference is held annually in Ålesund, organized by the Norwegian Coastal Administration.

Supporting partners include the Norwegian Maritime Authority, AECO, and Cruise Norway.

The target audience includes cruise lines, agents, and others involved in cruise calls and maritime traffic in Norwegian waters.