



**You are cordially invited to join us on our
30th year Anniversary Celebration**

13 August 2019

***GRID-Arendal and the Global Environmental Agenda:
the next 30 years ahead***

Venue: Gamle Rådhus, Rådhusgaten 10, 4836 Arendal

Time: 15:00-16:45

Opening 15:00 - 15:30

Welcome Remarks

Randi Reinertsen

Deputy Chair, GRID-Arendal Board

GRID-Arendal: Celebrating 30 years
(a video presentation)

Guided tour: *Global linkages –
a graphic look at the changing
Arctic* exhibition

Hanne Gjerdi

Project Officer, GRID-Arendal

Refreshments 15:30 - 15:45

Seminar and panel discussion 15:45 - 16:45

GRID-Arendal and the Global Environmental Agenda: the next 30 years ahead

Opening Remarks

Svein Tveitdal

former Managing Director, GRID
Arendal, and former Division Director,
UN Environment

Keynote speakers:

Dr. Jian Liu

Chief Scientist, UN Environment

Mr. Aksel Jakobsen

State Secretary, Ministry of
International Development of Norway

Mr. Ola Elvestuen

Minister of Climate and Environment of
Norway

Dr. Jan-Gunnar Winther

Chair, GRID-Arendal Board

Panel discussion (in Norwegian)

Svein Tveitdal, moderator

The discussion will focus on the “future we want”, how UN Environment and Norway can build on the independence, influence and impact that GRID-Arendal has achieved, and the opportunities this tri-party cooperation can seize in the near future.

Panellists:

Mr. Ola Elvestuen, Minister of Climate and Environment

Mr. Aksel Jakobsen, State Secretary, Ministry of International
Development of Norway

Mr. Marte Næss Thomassen, AUF I Agder

Ms. Amalie Kollstrand, Agder Unge Høyre,

TBC, Senterungdommen

Mr. Markus Bjørkløf-Terjesen, Arendal & omegn Rød
Ungdom,

Oda Sofie Pettersen, Miljøpartiet De Grønne Agder

Bendik Hagen, Agder KrFU

Signing Ceremony and Anniversary Party

Venue: Tall ship "Sørlandet", Pollen

Time: 17:00 - 19:00

Welcome remarks

Dr. Peter Harris

Managing Director, GRID-Arendal

Official Signing of Framework Agreements

Framework Agreement between the Norwegian Agency for Development Cooperation (Norad) and GRID-Arendal by **Mr. Dag Inge Ulstein**, Minister of International Development, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, and **Dr. Jan-Gunnar Winther**, Chair, GRID-Arendal Board

Framework Agreement between UN Environment and GRID-Arendal by *Dr. Jian Liu*, Chief Scientist, UN Environment, and **Dr. Jan-Gunnar Winther**, Chair, GRID-Arendal Board

The signing of the above agreements will be done in the presence of **Mr. Dag Inge Ulstein**, Minister of International Development, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, **Mr. Stein Ytterdahl**, County Governor Agder County, **Ms. Gro Bråten**, Mayor Agder County, **Mr. Robert Cornels Nordli**, Mayor Arendal municipality, **Randi Reinertsen**, Deputy Chair, Board GRID-Arendal, **Dr. Peter Harris**, Managing Director GRID-Arendal.

Messages

Mr. Stein Ytterdahl

Governor, Agder County

Ms. Gro Bråten

Mayor, Agder County

Mr. Robert Cornels Nordli

Mayor, Arendal Municipality

A **Press Conference** will immediately follow the signing ceremony.

Fun, Food, Music and Mingling