

NoMe 2018

Dear friends

*we welcome you to Niceland for fun
and cooling after your hot summer*



Hosted by Bjarni and Thordis

Reykjavík 16th - 19th August



Where to stay

Most of the guests are staying at the Foss hotel Reykjavik. It is in walking distance to center of Reykjavik. Those of you that have booked elsewhere please note that we will use this hotel as our meeting point.



Where to meet

You can walk at the sea side or down Laugarvegur, the main shopping street in Reykjavik. But on the 18th we will have 3 meeting points that we will use on that day

1 . Arnarhóll

2. Harpa

2. Liósfarið



The plan is to meet in the lobby at 17:00 Our bus will departure from hotel at 17:30

To day we will visit Bessastaðir and the President of Iceland: Guðni Thorlacius Jóhannesso.

*After the meeting at Bessastaðir we will visit one of the best distillery in Iceland, Eimverk. They are a family-run distillery founded in 2009, dedicated to making premium Icelandic spirits from 100% local ingredients: **At the distillery we will have the welcome party, tasting their product and haveng light finger food dinner.The bus will then take us back to the hotel.***



Bessastaðir was first settled in 1000. It became one of Snorri Sturluson's farms in the 13th century. After Snorri's murder in September 1241, Bessastaðir was claimed by the King of Norway. Thereafter it became a Royal stronghold and the dwellings of the King's highest-ranking officers and officials in Iceland. It resisted an attack by Turkish slave raiders in July 1627. In the late 18th century Bessastaðir was changed into a school for a few years, before becoming a farm. In 1867 the farm was purchased by the poet and statesman Grímur Thomsen, who lived there for almost two decades. Among later owners were editor and parliamentarian Skúli Thoroddsen, and his wife, Theodóra Thoroddsen, who was well known for her literary works. In 1940 Sigurður Jónasson bought Bessastaðir and donated it to the state in 1941 as a residence for the Regent and later the President of Iceland



The plan is to meet in the lobby at 9:30 Our bus will departure from hotel at 10:00

To day we will visit some of highligts of tourist attraction in south part of Iceland. When arriving at Þingvellir we will have guided tour by an expert who will give us some interesting information about Þingvellir. From there we will visit Efstidalur for a home made ice cream.

After this short stop we are heading to Geysir and thereafter to Gullfoss.

During our day tour there will be refreshment in the bus .. beer ..wine ... water... sandwich

We end the day with dinner at very interesting restaurant...

The bus will then take us back to the hotel. Arriving around 22 ☺

Þingvellir – History

No single place epitomizes the history of Iceland and the Icelandic nation better than Þingvellir by the river Öxará.

At Þingvellir - literally "Parliament Plains" - the Alþing general assembly was established around 930 and continued to convene there until 1798. Major events in the history of Iceland have taken place at Þingvellir and therefore the place is held in high esteem by all Icelanders. Today Þingvellir is a protected national shrine. According to the law, passed in 1928, the protected area shall always be the property of the Icelandic nation, under the preservation of the Alþingi.

Þingvellir has been one of the filming locations for Game of Thrones.

Gullfoss during the first half of the 20th century and some years into the late 20th century, there was much speculation about using Gullfoss to generate electricity. During this period, the waterfall was rented indirectly by its owners, Tómas Tómasson and Halldór Halldórsson, to foreign investors. However, the investors' attempts were unsuccessful, partly due to lack of money. The waterfall was later sold to the state of Iceland, and is now protected.

Geysir the English word geyser (a periodically spouting hot spring) derives from Geysir. The name Geysir itself is derived from the Icelandic verb geysa, "to gush", the verb from Old Norse *geisa*

Program 18th



Reykjavik cultur night

After breakfast at 10 we will meet in the lobby

NoMe meeting 2018 held in the Freemason House in Reykjavik

Ladies will go with Thordis to visit Fashionhouse Tískan

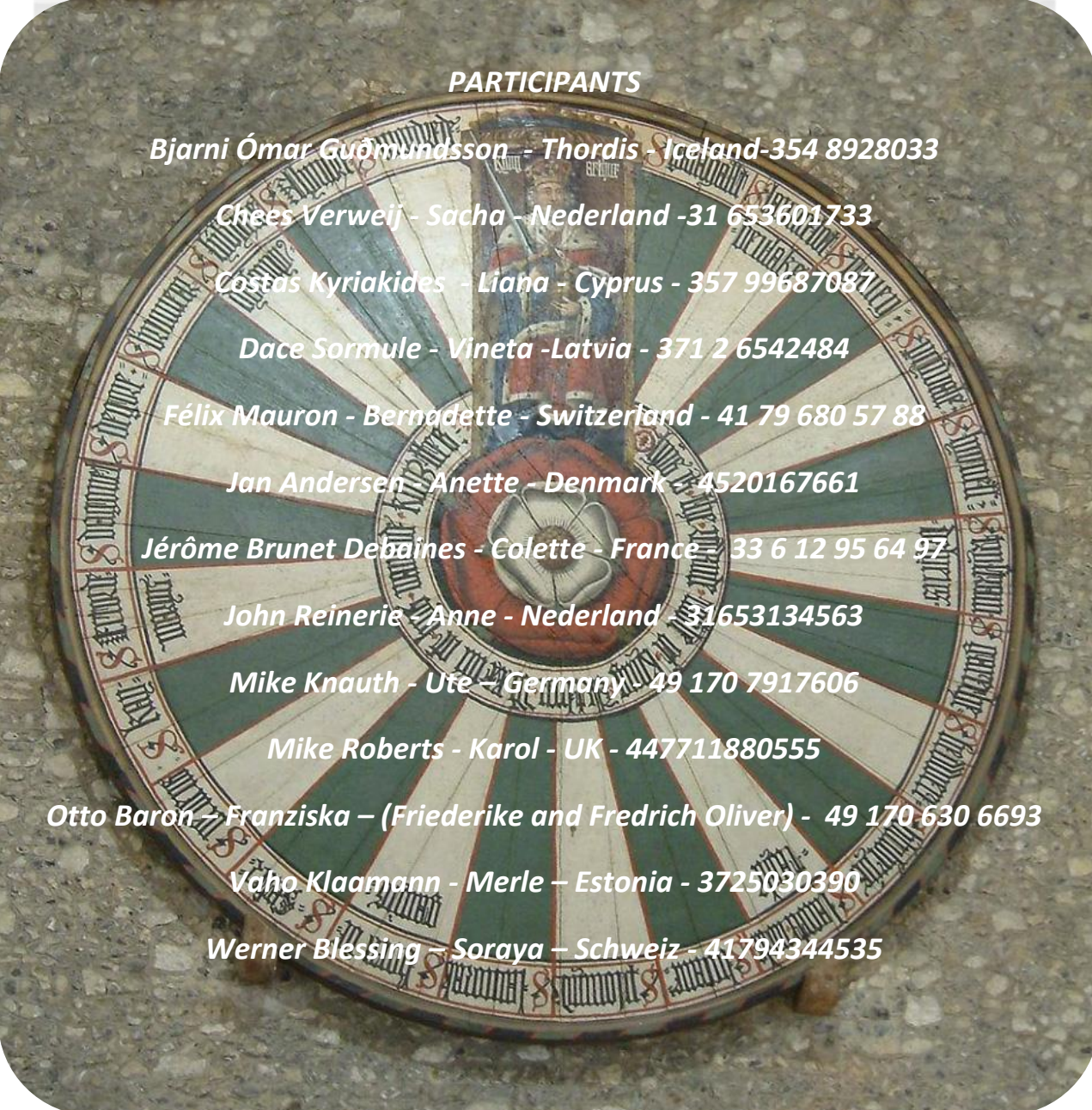
12:30 We all meet in the lobby

The rest of the day is on your own since there are 100 things to see and no fun to try to have you all on a string walking to all the events. You can get the program of the day at <http://culturenight.is/program>

We still have some meeting points as mentioned before, we start at nr 3. It is a sculpture named Sólfarið. Next stop 2, is at the harbor in front of Harpa the opera house. Last stop is 1. In front of the statue of Ingolfur Arnason where we watch all together the fireworks. All timing will be done through WhatsApp.



Thank you for your stay and safe jurny home



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