You are invited to join AEE members and their guests on an exciting and memorable tour highlighting the beauty of Scandinavia and Imperial Russia, including stops in Iceland, Copenhagen, Oslo and St. Petersburg. Please join us for this unique event, exploring new business opportunities while immersing yourself in the rich culture and touring the magnificent sights in one of the most sustainable regions of the world.

Throughout the tour we will have the opportunity to meet with professionals and researchers that play a leading role in the regions energy sector.

We encourage you to join us and make your reservation today!

Sincerely,

Bill Kent
Executive Director

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ITINERARY – 14 DAYS

DAY 1 AUG 27 (THU): ARRIVE IN REYKJAVIK – ICELAND

Your guide will meet you in the arrival hall of the Keflavik International Airport. Flights from North America usually arrive early morning. Only a short 15 minutes’ drive from the airport, on the way to Reykjavik City is the Blue Lagoon, beautifully located in its extra ordinary lava surroundings.

(Optional) Enjoy relaxing in the cozy and warm waters of the Blue Lagoon and in addition to bathing in the lagoon, guests have access to a sauna with a view of the lagoon, a steam-bath with white walls that resemble silica-mud and a cozy steam-bath carved into a lava cave. Guests can also stand beneath a small waterfall for an energizing massage. Of course, guests bathing in the milky waters of the Blue Lagoon have easy access to the famous white silica-mud, an essential part of the spa experience.

After the lagoon we make our way to Reykjavik to check in at our hotel. The afternoon is at leisure. Enjoy a welcome dinner this evening.

Accommodation: Center Hotel Laugavegur - 3 nights
Meals Included: Dinner

DAY 2 AUG 28 (FRI): THE GOLDEN CIRCLE & LANGJÖKULL GLACIER

After breakfast at the hotel your guide will meet you in your hotel lobby. Today we will embark on the Golden Circle Tour.

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We will have lunch in a greenhouse. We end the day back at our hotel in Reykjavik. Dinner is at leisure.

Meals Included: Breakfast & Lunch

PRICES

MAIN TOUR

LAND ARRANGEMENTS (On a sharing basis)
Main Tour $4,995/person
Single Supplement $1,390/person

INTERNAL AIRFARE $650/person
(Reykjavik – Copenhagen, Bergen – Helsinki - St. Petersburg)
Note: Airfare is based on current rates and subject to change until it is booked and ticketed.

TRIP INCLUDES:

• All sightseeing, services and accommodations as per itinerary
• 3 nights accommodation with breakfast at Center Hotel Laugavegur and 10 nights accommodation at 4-star hotels with buffet breakfast
• Lunch (4 x 3 course with coffee/tea or buffet)
• Dinner at hotel (3 x 3 course with coffee/tea or buffet)
• Dinner at a city restaurant (2 x 3 course with coffee/tea)
• 1 x buffet dinner on board ferry Copenhagen-Oslo
• Entrance fees to observation deck at Pearl, Tivoli, Hardanger Bridge, Oslo Opera House, Peter-Paul Fortress, Catherine’s Palace, Peterhof Grand Palace, Hermitage Museum in St. Petersburg and caving fee on Day 3
• Visit to the Nikolaevsky Palace with folk show and Russian “champagne”
• Train from Flåm - Myrdal and Myrdal – Flåm
• Overnight cruise from Oslo to Copenhagen
• St. Petersburg channel cruise
• Service of first class coaches throughout the itinerary
• Portage at hotels, ferry terminals and railway stations

NOT INCLUDED:

Meals not mentioned; insurance; gratuities; inoculations; items of personal nature such as telephone, laundry, beverages; any items not listed above.

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DAY 3 AUG 29 (SAT): LAVA CAVE AND GEOTHERMAL ADVENTURE
After breakfast at the hotel your guide will meet you in the hotel lobby. Today we discover West Iceland, where some of Iceland’s best-known Sagas took place.

Headling out of Reykjavík, we drive through Borgarfjordur fjord towards Husafell. On the way we’ll make a stop at Deildartunguhver, hot spring, and the magnificent Haunfossara lava waterfalls. We will also have the option of stopping at the Settlement Center museum to see how Vikings made their perilous boat journeys to Iceland. The adventure of the day will be caving at Viðgelmir cave. Once at the cave, we start an adventurous and guided walk down the great, colorful and beautiful lava cave, and learn about its history and geological uniqueness which dates all the way back to the Viking age.

Vidgelmir is Iceland’s largest natural lava cave, located in West Iceland. Just shy of 1,600 meters / 5,250 ft, the cave features amazing colors and lava formations that lurk in the depths of the earth. With the aid of the new access walkway, and state of the art feature lighting system, it’s an easy walk that all generations can enjoy.

After caving we have the option of enjoying Krauma geothermal pool. Experience nature from its core by bathing in the geothermal baths at Krauma. The hot water originates in Europe’s most powerful hot spring Deildartunguhver, at a temperature of 100°C (212°F). To achieve the perfect bathing temperature the hot water is mixed with cold water which originated in the glacier Raudsgil. Krauma has a total of six baths, five warm and one cold. If you want to get even more relaxed, enjoy the relaxation room located in the bathing area and lie or sit down while listening to soothing music and a crackling fireplace.

We end the day back at our hotel in Reykjavík.
Meals Included: Breakfast & Lunch

DAY 4 AUG 30 (SUN): REYKJAVIK – COPENHAGEN
All good things must come to an end, including your visit to Iceland. Our driver will pick you up at your hotel and take you to Keflavík airport for your departure flight to Copenhagen.

Upon arrival in Copenhagen you will be welcomed and transfer from Copenhagen Airport to your hotel. Visit the Tivoli Gardens this evening. Enjoy a welcome dinner in Denmark.
Accommodation: Hotel Tivoli – 2 Nights
Meals Included: Breakfast & Dinner

DAY 5 AUG 31 (MON): COPENHAGEN, SEALAND
This morning depart on a 7 hour sightseeing tour of North Sealand. Meet your local English speaking guide and coach at the hotel. The tour then continues out to the coast for a view of the magnificent Kronborg Castle in Elsinore, famously known as the castle of Shakespeare’s Hamlet. Return to Copenhagen along the scenic coastal road. Please note that the order of the visits might be inversed depending of the traffic on the day. A local lunch buffet will be served during the tour. In the afternoon the tour ends back at the hotel.
Meals Included: Breakfast & Lunch

DAY 6 SEP 1 (TUE): COPENHAGEN-OSLO
Copenhagen is Scandinavia’s largest and most lively city and one of Europe’s most romantic capitals with its old castles and churches and charming squares and harbors. The morning sightseeing tour will acquaint us with all the city’s treasures: the Little Mermaid guarding the port, the Royal Castle, Nyhavn with its restaurants and small boats and the City Hall Square. In the afternoon we embark on the DFDS Seaways overnight ferry bound for Oslo. The ferry offers a wide choice of restaurants, shops and much more. Dinner on-board.

Accommodation: DFDS Seaways (Commodore Outside Cabins)
Meals Included: Breakfast & Dinner

DAY 7 SEP 2 (WED): OSLO
Founded in 1048 Oslo is Scandinavia’s oldest capital and today it is a very pleasant and casual city with an interesting jumble of historical and modern architecture. Upon arrival we will meet our local guide for a 3-hour city sightseeing tour of the Norwegian capital, beautifully situated by the fjord. We will enjoy the view from the Opera house before heading off to Bygdøy Island. Here we will visit one of the most popular museums, the Viking Ship Museum, with its three Viking vessels. The Vigeland Park, one of the major Scandinavian cultural treasures, will welcome us with sculptures by Gustav Vigeland, who dedicated his life to his artistic works. We will also pass by the Royal Palace and the main street, Karl Johan. The tour ends at the hotel.
Accommodation: Thon Hotel Opera – 1 Night
Meals Included: Breakfast
DAY 8 SEP 3 (THU): OSLO-FLAM-GARDERMOEN-FLAM
Early in the morning, leave your luggage at the reception of your hotel so that it can be transferred to your hotel in Bergen. We recommend you to bring to Flåm one overnight bag with a change of clothes. Walk to central station and take the scenic ride through Norway’s most picturesque areas. Arrive in Flåm and walk to your hotel. Dinner and overnight at the hotel.

Accommodation: Flåmsbrygga Hotel (1 Night)
Meals Included: Breakfast & Dinner

DAY 9 SEP 4 (FRI): FLAM-BERGEN
Next morning, after breakfast depart by cruise to Gudvangen. Cruise the water of the Sognefjords and upon arrival transfer by private coach to Voss station where you will get on board your train to Bergen. Upon arrival in Bergen, private transfer to your hotel.

Accommodation: Hotel Scandic Ørnen – 2 Nights
https://www.scandichotels.com/hotels/norway/bergen/scandic-ornen
Meals Included: Breakfast

DAY 10 SEP 5 (SAT): BERGEN
After breakfast, we will experience fjords, mountains and stunning waterfalls by taking a fjord cruise to Mostraumen from Bergen. The afternoon is reserved for a 3-hour tour of Bergen, including a visit to the popular Fish and Flower Market, the famous Bryggen Harbor with its gabled pack houses, and the old Hanseatic Quarter. You will also ride on the funicular to Mt. Fløien, for the best views of the city and fjords way below.

Meals Included: Breakfast

DAY 11 SEP 6 (SUN): BERGEN – HELSINKI - ST. PETERSBURG
Today we fly to St. Petersburg via Helsinki. Welcome upon arrival and transfer to the hotel.

Accommodation: Hotel Sokos Vasilievsky – 3 Nights
Meals Included: Breakfast

DAY 12 SEP 7 (MON): ST. PETERSBURG
St. Petersburg is an amazing city. Its imperial palaces and museums enjoy worldwide fame, while the Neva River and the many canals have deservedly given the city the title of "Venice of the North.” During the morning sightseeing tour we get acquainted with all the splendors of the city: the Peter-Paul Fortress, the Winter Palace, St. Isaac’s Cathedral, the Church of the Bleeding Savior, the Nevsky Convent and much more. The afternoon visit includes an excursion to Zarskoye Selo with the impressive Catherine’s Palace and the Amber Room, which vanished during World War II and was restored for St. Petersburg’s tri-centennial celebrations. In the evening enjoy a visit to the Nikolaevsky Palace with an exciting Russian folklore show and Russian “champagne” and dinner at Nikolaevsky or “Vodka Room” restaurant.

Meals Included: Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner

DAY 13 SEP 8 (TUE): ST. PETERSBURG
The morning is reserved for a visit to Peterhof, an uncontested masterpiece of the time of Peter the Great, with the impressive Grand Palace, Grand Cascade and Water Avenue and its wonderful parks. In the afternoon, visit the world famous Hermitage Art Museum. In the evening enjoy a Russian dinner at Pryanosti & Radosti restaurant.

Meals Included: Breakfast & Dinner

DAY 14 SEP 9 (WED): ST. PETERSBURG - USA
Transfer to the airport today to board the flight back home. Arrive home with fond memories of your sojourn in Europe.

Meals Included: Breakfast

END OF TOUR

Terms & Conditions
Visas: US Passport holders do not require a visa for travel to the Scandinavian countries. A visa is required for the Russian Federation. We will secure the letter of invitation, following which the passports must be sent to the designated Russian Consulate for the visa to be stamped. Please ensure that your passport is valid for 6 months after departure date and has sufficient pages for visa & entry / exit stamps.

Insurance: We recommend Travel Insurance.

Gratuities: No tips are included for any services.

Tour documents: Final tour documents including day-by-day itinerary, hotel listing, air tickets & vouchers are sent between 30-45 days prior to departure.

Tour Reservations: SITA is currently holding all arrangements confirmed. We require a deposit of $500.00 per person in order to secure the reservations, upon acceptance. Final payment is due 90 days prior to departure.

Cancellation Policy: Cancellations received within 90 days or more prior to departure incur a $300 fee per person. Cancellations received between – 89 & 45 days will incur a fee of 50% of the tour cost. Cancellations received between 44 & 14 days will incur a fee of 75% of the tour cost. Cancellations received with less than 14 days prior to departure will incur a fee of 100% of the tour cost. For other terms & conditions, please refer to SITA’s website.

Payments: SITA accepts tour payments by check and/or by Visa, Mastercard, American Express & Discover credit cards. You may make payment at the following link: https://www.sitatours.com/tours-credit-card-form

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I accept/decline Travel Insurance (refer to Terms & Conditions): ☐ Accept ☐ Decline

Tour Deposit Amount ($500/person), plus insurance if accepted: $____________________

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Signature: ___________________________ Date: __________________________