

UNIVERSITY OF BERGEN

November 2022

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Cabin hire – new application round Discount at Bergen Cinema Training and physical activities at UIB

Other welfare offers

International Centre E-mail: <u>euraxess@uib.no</u> Book an appointment with us through our <u>calendar</u>

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Leaves have taken over the streets and parks and we are getting ready for wintertime. Days are starting to get shorter and colder, but we can't wait to have our city full of snow and Christmas lights all around.

With dark streets and heavy rain, it is important to be seen. Make sure you use a **reflex**. This is the cheapest life insurance you can have!

Remember to sign up for the <u>The Welfare Committee | Employee Pages |</u> <u>UIB</u> mailing list. They offer concert-, theater, movie- tickets as well as cabin hire, amongst other things. There is now a new application period for the cabins for winter 2023. The application deadline is November 20. The draws are November 22 and November 23. Make sure to check it out <u>here</u>!

Upcoming events at the International Centre

Tax seminar

Sign up and join us for an online information meeting regarding paying tax in Norway. This is useful if you are moving to Norway, shifting between Norway and other working countries, or working from abroad. We will have this seminar **2 Fridays per month**, from 11.00 to 11.30. The next seminar will be on November 11th. In the registration form you can choose which date you want to sign up to. Read more <u>here</u>.

Meet and Greet

All international employees are welcome to join us at the International Centre for a Meet and Greet to get to know each other and the International Centre. The Meet and Greet will take place on Tuesday **22nd of November** from **15:30 to 18:30**. We will arrange some food for everyone, so please sign up in good time. We have reserved seminar room C, at the Student Centre, and the pizza will arrive around 16:00. Further instructions will be sent to you by email the day before the event. We look forward to seeing you there! You can sign up <u>here</u>.

Introduction course

This course is step 2 of our introductory seminars for new international employees. The course will take place on **December 1st** from **13.00 to 15.30** and it will be **online**. You can sign up <u>here</u>. Please complete <u>step 1</u> (short e-learning course) before attending.

Visit to Gingerbread town

We are organizing a visit to <u>Gingerbread town</u> on December 13th at 16.00. As we will be purchasing tickets and have limited capacity, please sign up in advance! Use <u>this form</u> before November 30^{th,} and we will send you a confirmation of your spot.

Please remember:

For our courses and events, we often offer food, limited spaces, or have a special guest that we pay for. We ask that if you are not able to attend, you inform us well in advance so we can adjust, and possibly others can take your spot.

For new employees

- When you receive your Norwegian ID number, remember to send it to post@lonnskontoret.uib.no. This also applies when you receive your Norwegian bank account number.
- If you need to book an appointment with us, you can do it through our <u>calendar</u>.

Upcoming events in Bergen

Gingerbread town (Pepperkakebyen)

The world's biggest gingerbread city, located at Kode 4 (Lysverket). Miniature houses, trains, cars, and ships made from real gingerbread. It will be open from November 19th to December 31st. You can read more about tickets and opening hours <u>here</u>.

Festival of lights

Participate in the traditional annual opening of the Christmas season, where families are invited to light torches and enjoy music, entertainment, and a magnificent display of fireworks. It will take place at Festplassen on November 19th, from 16.00 to 17.15. You can read more about it <u>here.</u>

LUMAGICA

The light park at Bergenhus festning (Bergenhus Fortress) has been designed as a magical path where you as a visitor will experience spectacular light installations and have a magical and unforgettable evening with interactive experiences, light art, music and a nice meal and tasty beverages. It will be open from November 18th to December 22nd, and you can read about prices and opening times <u>here</u>.

Bergen Christmas market

The Bergen Christmas Market offers handmade-, homemade-, and edible gifts for all needs. The markets' many food-stalls are offering the very best of Christmas food, bakes, and seasonal flavors. It will be located right in the heart of Bergen at Festplassen and will open from November 25th to December 21st, with free entrance. You can read more about it <u>here</u>.

Event calendars

There are many interesting events, courses and seminars at UiB throughout the semester. We suggest subscribing to the <u>UiB main calendar</u> and the <u>International Centre calendar</u>.

Join our WhatsApp group

We have made a WhatsApp group for you, so you can plan spontaneous meetings and we will also invite you to our planned events and remind you of them there. You can join here.

Suggestions?

Do you have any suggestions about what you would like to find in our newsletters or activities, please send us an email: <u>euraxess@uib.no</u>.

