



## CALL and AGENDA for ORDINARY GENERAL ASSEMBLY 2.014

22nd March 2014

**Dear Members of EuroGites:**

According to Art. 10 of our Statutes, I have the pleasure of invite the members of EuroGites to participate at the **Ordinary General Assembly 2014** that will take place as follows:

Date           **27<sup>th</sup> - May- 2014** (Tuesday), **13:00 hs.**  
at               **NO - 5602 Norheimsund** (Norway)  
Hardingasete    [www.hardingasete.no](http://www.hardingasete.no)

The provisional **AGENDA** is as follows:

**13:00    General Ordinary Assembly 2014**  
\* *Lecture and approval of minutes of the Assembly 2013*  
\* *Admission and dismissal of members*  
\* *Activity Report 2013-2014*  
\* *Actions 2014-2015*  
\* *5<sup>th</sup> European Congress on Rural Tourism - Alpbach (AT)*  
\* *Membership fees and budget 2015*  
\* *other business*

Further suggestions for topics to be included on the agenda are welcome.

**IMPORTANT1** - **pls confirm reception of this call** (*this does not mean that you confirm participation - ONLY that your received the call*)

Our colleagues in Norway made great efforts to prepare an attractive program before, during, and after the GA at a special rate of **290 EUR "all included"** - see following pages. To allow them for final planning, we appreciate your **confirmation of participation** through the online form available at

<https://hanenno.wufoo.com/forms/eurogites-general-assembly-2014booking-form/>

**IMPORTANT2** - **deadline is 14-April** for registration at special conditions; after that date, higher cost may apply.

Kind regards

  
Andrew Woodward  
President EuroGites

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## INVITATION TO: **GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF EUROGITÉS IN NORWAY**



The Hardanger area is known for the Hardangerfjord, the Hardangervidda mountain plateau, and the fantastic fruit tree blossoming in spring time, and you even would have chance to see the blossom, because this is when you will be there!

<http://www.visitnorway.com/uk/where-to-go/fjord-norway/the-hardangerfjord-region/>

### **PROGRAM**

26<sup>th</sup> – 29<sup>th</sup> of May 2014

26<sup>th</sup> of May Arrival in [Bergen](#) for General Assembly participants



Bergen is known for Bryggen Hanseatic Wharf, the Fish Market, and surrounding mountains and fjords, such as the Hardangerfjord and Sognefjord.

<http://www.visitnorway.com/en/where-to-go/fjord-norway/bergen/>

There is Music festival in Bergen during this week:

<http://www.visitnorway.com/en/product/?pid=55985>

**17:00 Sightseeing in Bergen**

**19:30 Dinner at [Hanne på Høyden](#) the restaurant in Bergen serving the best local food**

Overnight stay at [Scandic Neptun](#) in the city centre



**27<sup>th</sup> of May**



**10:00 Departure from the hotel**

Stop at [Steinsdalsfossen](#) (waterfalls) The waterfall is one of the most visited in Norway. A path goes behind it where visitors can walk dryshod "into" the rumbling water. Steinsdalsfossen is 46 meters high and is greatest, when the snow melts in May. This is start of Hardanger tourist road - one of 18 tourist roads of Norway.

**12:00 Arrival at Hardingasete**

<http://hardingasete.no/kurs-konferanse.php>

Hardingasete is a unique seminar and conference centre where the old meets the new. Hardingasete is created from 20 houses from the western region of Norway, dating from the period from 1600-1870.

A number of old houses have been moved to the spot, fitted with both antique furniture and the comforts of modern bathrooms and kitchens. Facing the west, it lies overlooking the beautiful fjord.



**Lunch at [Hardingasete](#)** <http://hardingasete.no/mat.php> - «Rustic elegance reflecting the nature, the site and our philosophy of food...» - Øyvind and Tina have many years' experience from highly acclaimed restaurants in Norway and abroad. Through the years, they have acquired a professional and distinctive approach to the culinary art. They have worked in Michelin-starred restaurants.

**13:00 General Assembly – meeting at [Hardingasete](#)**

**19:30 Dinner at [Hardingasete](#)**

Overnight stay at [Hardingasete](#)

**28<sup>th</sup> of May**



**09:00 Departure for the study trip in Hardanger**

<http://www.visitnorway.com/en/where-to-go/fjord-norway/the-hardangerfjord-region/what-to-do-in-the-hardangerfjord-region/>

Ferry from Tørvikbygd to Jondal (25 '). It is an opportunity to see the fjords from "inside".

**Visit a farm In Lofthus**

Visiting fruit farms or a farm gives the great opportunity to taste or buy some of the local specialities. Maybe you would like to make a delicious homemade "lefse" by yourself and join baking in a "eldhus" cookhouse. Lunch at a farm.





Visit to [Vøringfossen](#) (waterfall). Vøringfossen is the 3rd highest waterfall in Norway with a fall of 163 meters. It is perhaps the most famous waterfall in the country and a major tourist attraction on the way down from Hardangervidda to Hardangerfjord.

[Eidfjord Fjell & Fjord Hotel](#) - Eidfjord is one of the main cruise destinations with almost 100 ships a year



Dinner at local specialties: Mose steak or local mountain trout .

Overnight stay at [Eidfjord Fjell & Fjord Hotel](#)

**29<sup>th</sup> of May**



09:00 Return to [Bergen Airport, Flesland](#)

Stop at [Steinstø Fruktgard](#) for coffee, apple cake and a tour of the beautiful gardens – the farm offers quality fruits and berries, homemade apple juice, different types of home made jam, jellies, a traditional spread “lelse”, apple cake and several other delicious dishes.

12:00 Arrival at [Bergen Airport, Flesland](#)

**We wish you welcome to Norway!**



## Travel info

The nearest international airport is [Bergen Airport, Flesland](#). We recommend that you take the [airport bus](#) from the airport to Bergen City. The nearest stop to [Scandic Neptun](#) is Torget. The address to Scandic Neptun is Valkendorfsgate 8.

Price for the stay in Norway: **290 euro** per person in SGL room and includes all as per programme, except transport from airport to city center of Bergen (12EUR).

