

ACTION TIMELINE

OCTOBER

15-18th: International preparatory meeting for COP in Copenhagen.

www.climate-justice-action.org

17-18th: Great Climate Swoop Action, Nottinghamshire. www.greatclimateswoop.org

NOVEMBER

The next Climate Camp National Gathering will be devoted to discussing what we do at Copenhagen, probably in early November. Check: www.climatecamp.org.uk

30th: 10 years to the day since the Seattle protests and exactly 1 week before the COP15 there will be a "Global Shut down" of climate criminals. www.actforclimatejustice.org

28-4th: WTO Action Geneva: Our World Is Not For Sale: www.ourworldisnotforsale.org

DECEMBER

4th: Trade to Climate Caravan from Geneva to Copenhagen

5th: Stop Climate Chaos March London - The Wave: www.stopclimatechaos.org

IN COPENHAGEN

7-18th: UN Copenhagen summit.

7-18th: KlimaForum: Free counter conference running in parallel to the UN summit. Thousands from around the globe gather to build world-wide networks and share struggles against the fossil fuel industry across the world. Workshops, debates, exhibitions, and cultural events focusing on climate change from a global perspective. www.klimaforum09.org

11th: "Our Climate NOT Your Business" Action Day
A day of anti-corporate action to disrupt the "Business and Climate" day at the COP. <http://notyourbusiness.hacklab.dk/>

12th: "Flood for Climate Justice" - big mainstream NGO demo from the Danish parliament to the conference centre - join the anti-capitalist bloc! Part of the 'Global Day of Action on Climate Change'. www.globalclimatecampaign.org

13th: "Hit the Production of Climate Chaos" Action Day - Shutting down the harbour of Copenhagen through a mass action blockade. <http://nevertrustacop.org/Main/Calender>

14-15th: Themed action days: www.climate-justice-action.org

16th: Reclaim Power! Push for Climate Justice! Big action day to push our way into the conference centre and take over the conference for one day and transform it into a People's Summit for Climate Justice. www.climate-justice-action.org

18th: Final day of UN summit.

WEBSITES/MORE INFO

www.climatecamp.org.uk

www.climate-justice-action.org (global coalition, including climate camp in UK, planning mass direct action at the summit)

www.nevertrustacop.org (anti-capitalist direct action grouping mobilising for actions against the UN summit)

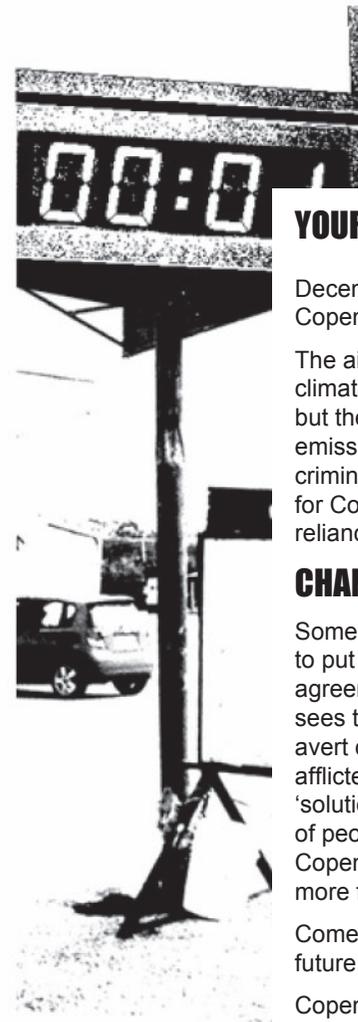
www.blackcross.dk (legal info and prisoner support)

www.klimaforum09.org (the alternative summit - parallel with the UN summit)

www.climatecollective.org (collective organising the logistics for the protests)



COPENHAGEN 2009 CLIMATE SUMMIT INFO PACK



YOUR HANDY GUIDE TO THE COPENHAGEN PROTESTS

December 2009: UN Climate Talks are taking place in Copenhagen.

The aim of the talks is to set a new global agreement on tackling climate change, a replacement to the Kyoto agreement of 1997, but the prospects are not good... After 15 years of negotiations, emissions continue to rise at alarming rates, while climate criminals are allowed to pollute and profit. What is proposed for Copenhagen is yet more business as usual - a continued reliance on failed carbon markets to reduce emissions.

CHANGE THE SYSTEM - NOT THE CLIMATE

Some people say that the talks are our last hope, that we have to put everything we can into getting a deal, that without an agreement in Copenhagen we are doomed. But not everyone sees things that way. Together we can take positive action to avert catastrophic climate change: to strengthen the voices of afflicted peoples, and to expose the roles of false market based 'solutions' in the worsening climate crisis. We - thousands of people active in the movement - are coming together in Copenhagen to say: ENOUGH! No more business as usual, no more false solutions!

Come to Copenhagen, be the movement, build a fairer, safer future.

Copenhagen is not the end of the story - its the start of a new chapter.

WHAT TO EXPECT WHEN YOU GET THERE

Go to an info point: The info-point at "Støberiet" will open on the 5th of December.

Copenhagen is cold (average temp 0-5 degrees daytime, nighttime below zero). Bring warm clothes and waterproofs.

Denmark uses the Krone (DKK) as currency, which works out at about DKK8.5 to the pound. Copenhagen is very expensive (An average coffee is DKK25, a pint of beer is DKK40 - 50, and a sandwich is DKK40-50)

Everyone speaks good English.

The city is very flat and good for cycling.

FOOD

There will be activist kitchens providing cheap food in central locations in Copenhagen such as info points, sleeping spaces etc. for donations of about 20 DKK (€2-3 per meal) there will be one at Klimaforum and one at Christiania.

LEGAL

There is a specific legal group working on this, including border issues and support, your legal rights in Denmark and on UN territory. For info on your legal rights in Denmark see: www.blackcross.dk/bustcards/la_english.asp

LOCATIONS

CONVERGENCE CENTRES

Kapelvejens medborgerhus, Kapelvej 44. Emergency sleeping place, showers etc.

Støberiet, Blågårdsplads 3. Big convergence centre with food, legal aid, first aid, trauma support, open space for meetings etc.

Christiania. A squatted free town in the center of Copenhagen. During the COP15 there will be a parallel meeting here. You can also find showers and a peoples kitchen here.

KlimaForum09, DGI-byen, Tietgensgade 65. The alternative grassroots summit. A big peoples kitchen will be located here. www.klimaforum09.org

COP15 official summit, Bella center, Center Boulevard 5. The official summit. During the COP it will be UN territory.

There is a location map of Copenhagen on the CJA website: www.climate-justice-action.org

KITLIST - WHAT TO BRING

DO bring:

- Sleeping bag
- Sleeping mat
- Pillow
- EHIC card (European Health Insurance Card)
- Passport
- Photocopy of passport (most European countries insist on you carrying around ID with you at all times, although this is rarely enforced, but useful all the same in case you lose your passport or if it is stolen)
- Adaptor plug (2 round pins NOT 2 straight pins)
- Danish Krone (approx. 8.4 Krone to the pound)
- Euros (in case you want to buy and food/drink en route through France/Germany)
- Mobile phone with plenty of credit (+45 for Danish numbers)
- Torch (with spare batteries)
- 1st aid kit + painkillers if necessary (in some European countries it is hard to get Paracetamol/ Ibuprofen anywhere other than pharmacies)
- Any medication you need (it can often be difficult to get medication abroad)
- Waterproofs
- Plenty of warm clothes
- Flask
- Loo roll for the coaches (you'll know why if you have any experience of coach toilets!)
- Plenty of enthusiasm

DON'T bring:

- Conspicuous equipment for direct action (border searches on coaches are usually fairly thorough. On trains this is less of an issue as luggage checks are restricted to the Eurostar)
- Knives or bladed objects other than razors (again you don't want to give the Danish authorities any reason to not let you in!)
- Drugs (it may seem obvious, but its really not worth it)

ACCOMMODATION

Forget about trying to get a place in a hostel or hotel, pretty much all the accommodation has been booked up well in advance.

OPTIONS:

PRIVATE ACCOMMODATION

It is possible to try and book private accommodation, try looking at <http://en.housing.cop15.dk/search.aspx>.

COUCHSURFING

<http://www.couchsurfing.org/wiki/Copenhagen>

COP15 hosts group on Couch Surfing: <http://www.couchsurfing.org/group.html?gid=18264>

NEW LIFE COPENHAGEN

Accommodation with locals - everyone within an hour of Copenhagen can sign up as a host. Host and guest are put together randomly: www.newlifecopenhagen.com

LARGE HALLS

Organisers are negotiating with local authorities to get large halls etc. for everyone to stay in. This is still in progress. You won't have to register. They are aiming to provide it free but might need to charge €3-6 depending on outcome of negotiations. Halls will have basics - toilets, heating. Not all halls will have showers, but there will be access to showers elsewhere in the city, but this might require a small payment. Halls are expected to be open for when the summit starts.

PRIVATE ACCOMMODATION WITH DANISH ACTIVISTS

email: privateaccommodation.cop15@gmail.com

Please email containing name, how many of you there are, how many nights you want, if you all need to stay together or can stay separately (if you can stay separately, please send separate emails) and contact info. You will receive an email from your host a few weeks before COP15 so you can do the actual arranging yourself. Danish activists can only host a limited number of people. So if you don't mind staying in big public halls, you are asked not to go for this 3rd option.

TRAVEL TO COPENHAGEN

Conference date is 7-18 Dec. best time to go is for the second week (12-18 Dec.). If you can only make one action, be there for the 16th! There are three regular ways of getting there, coach, ferry or train.

CLIMATE CAMP IS ORGANISING BUSES TO COPENHAGEN

Website booking for coaches to Copenhagen should be up and running by the end of first week of October. £100 return, going out Fri Dec 11th coming back following Fri 18th Dec. Currently leaving London and Leeds. If loads of demand we may include Bristol etc. See: www.climatecamp.org.uk

Local groups may also be organising their own transport

TRAIN

London to Cologne on Eurostar and Thalys, Cologne to Copenhagen by sleeper train. Total prices start about £200 and go up to £400 or more See: www.seat61.com/Denmark.htm#Copenhagen

TRAIN AND FERRY

Ferry leaves Harwich in UK and goes to Esbjerg in Denmark overnight. Then get train from Esbjerg to Copenhagen. The ferry sails on: Wed 9th, Fri 11th, Sun 13th December. And returns on Tue 15th and Thu 17th December. The cheapest way is to share a 6 person cabin, which works out at £64 each. From London to Copenhagen via train/ferry/train in total is about £160 with the cheapest options. www.dfsseaways.com/

COACH

Eurolines/National Express buses go to Copenhagen Tues/Thurs/Sats leaving at 0900 from London, arriving 1320 the next day. They come back Mons, Thus, Sats.

Cost approx. £97 if you book more than 15 days in advance.

www.eurolines.com or www.nationalexpress.com

Most NGOs will be organising coaches or trains - FoE, WDM, Greenpeace etc. - check their websites or contact them for details.

CAMPAIGN AGAINST CLIMATE CHANGE TRAIN

There is a train being organised by the Campaign against Climate Change, departing on the 18th and returning on the 20th December. This is a useful for a short trip, but we are encouraging people to come out for a longer period where you get to participate in building a movement. www.campaignccc.org