

Joint statement

Danish-Norwegian green cooperation on industry and trade

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We live in a time of multiple critical challenges, which put our business community under pressure. At the same time, the need to develop clean economies and a more sustainable transition of the industry opens up great opportunities. The best way to face our common challenges is through joint efforts. Therefore, Norway and Denmark will enter into a strengthened dialogue to build on and strengthen the green industry and through this work contribute to reaching the climate goals set forth in the Paris Agreement. Our ambition is to turn the Nordic region into a region of green industry energy, based on natural resources, knowledge hubs, industrial competence and our shared value base.

The strengthened dialogue will cover the following areas:

- Renewable energy, CCS and hydrogen
- Health technology and Life Science
- Blue economy, including green shipping
- Technology development and digitalisation
- Defence industry

The collaboration will build upon the already close and healthy relationship between our two countries. With Denmark's and Norway's shared value base and complementary industrial competences as the backdrop, we have a strong foundation for creating strong clusters, sustainable and safe value chains and technological solutions that can contribute to our success in the green transition.

Intention

We agree on the potential for a deeper Nordic and, more specifically, a Norwegian-Danish collaboration within green industrial cooperation and the transition to a low-emission society. We will work together for a green and sustainable future. Denmark and Norway have a lot to gain from taking advantage of our countries' different positions of strength.

Businesses must be in the driver's seat and take the lead in the collaboration, while we as politicians should support it. Strong and dynamic Norwegian-Danish business cooperation is the key to implementing the Nordic prime ministers' Vision 2030 of the Nordic region as the world's most sustainable and integrated region by 2030.

In order to achieve this goal, we agree to maintain regular dialogue on policy developments with relevance for the collaboration. This dialogue will include developments at the national, EU and global levels with the purpose of achieving well-functioning and resilient value chains within the areas of the collaboration.

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