

**STIFTELSEN SOLAKONFERANSEN / THE SOLA CONFERENCE
FOUNDATION – NEWSLETTER NO 1 2018**

Solakonferansen 2018 (The Sola Conference 2018)

September 17th – 19th

Clarion Hotel Air, Utsolaarmen 16, 4055 Sola



Chairman Conference Committee, Mr Øivind Solberg

The offshore helicopter sector is still in a period of change, but 2017 has been a year for stabilisation and consolidation. We think it is time to look further into the future, to 2038, and try to paint a picture on what offshore transportation will look like in 20 years from now. Looking back at the previous 20 years, the business has developed both on the technological side and the business side. Unfortunately, we still see accidents and serious incidents. So, the question is what do we see looking towards 2038 that will contribute to a safer operation, a more stable business, and a supporting technological development?

There are many interesting aspects around these topics. Of course, safety is the main driver for this conference, so all presentations revolve around this topic, coming from different perspectives, of course. The first afternoon of the conference, we set the scene with the manufacturers bringing us up to speed on what they see going forward towards 2038. On the second day we have a wide variety of topics ranging from regulatory issues to operations and future maintenance training. Day three is the “traditional” day with updates from HeliOffshore, The Ministry of Transport and Communications, the CAA NO etc. On both evenings we set the scene for mingling and networking with the first evening on the top floor of the conference hotel, and the second evening we go on an idyllic fjord cruise including a seafood menu spiced with a demonstration of a SAR-helicopter sea pickup.

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On this headliner, the Conference Committee has developed the framework of the 2018 program, and proudly presents a detailed and completed program within late April.

- ✓ We are going ahead with another program over three days
- ✓ The program offers evening events with dining, full meals, both Monday and Tuesday; these, and lunches all three days, are covered by the conference fee
- ✓ All this, and more, you can participate in, contribute to, and experience, in the premises of our excellent partner and conference host, we introduce Clarion Hotel Air, just next to Stavanger Airport, Sola.

The Annual Board Meeting Stiftelsen Solakonferansen was held on Friday March 16th

For the Annual Report (in Norwegian only), please see our website www.solakonferansen.no.

The Chairman, and the board, were reelected, and the crew members are

- ✓ Chairman Odin Leirvåg Airline Captain (Ret), SAS
- ✓ Arne Martin Gilberg Director Business Development, Aircontact Group AS
- ✓ Nina Handegaard Sales Manager Operations, Fonnafly AS
- ✓ Heidi Wulff Heimark Area Manager, Bristow Norway AS
- ✓ Leif Anker Lorentzen Managing Director, Stavanger Airport, Sola
- ✓ Kenneth Arne Gould Associated Professor, University of Stavanger (UiS)
- ✓ Øivind Solberg, PhD Aviation Advisor, Corporate Flight Safety, Statoil ASA.

The Conference Committee for Solakonferansen 2018, which consists of

- ✓ Chairman Øivind Solberg, PhD Aviation Advisor, Corporate Flight Safety, Statoil ASA
- ✓ John Arild Gundersen Chairman, NOROG Aviation Forum/
Aviation Authority, Aker BP ASA
- ✓ Thor Gunnar Johansen Senior Manager Technical Services,
CHC Helikopter Service AS
- ✓ Jim Urianstad Flight Operations Manager, Bristow Norway AS
- ✓ Secretary Håvard Haugen, General Manager, Stiftelsen Solakonferansen

is pleased to present these confirmed speakers / companies:

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- ✓ Minister of Transport and Communications Ketil Solvik-Olsen, The Progress Party, Ministry of Transport and Communications
- ✓ Mayor Ole Ueland, The Conservatives, Sola Municipality, conducts the official opening
- ✓ Lars Kobberstad, Director General, Civil Aviation Authority Norway (CAA NO)
- ✓ Dag Falk-Petersen, CEO, Avinor AS
- ✓ Graham Braithwaite, Professor of Safety & Accident Investigation, Cranfield University
- ✓ Karl Johnny Hersvik, Chief Executive Officer, Aker BP ASA
- ✓ Francois Lassale, Operations Director, HeliOffshore
- ✓ Peggy Hessen Følsvik, The Norwegian Confederation of Trade Unions (LO)
- ✓ Torbjørn Lothe, Managing Director, The Fed of NO Aviation Industries (NHO Luftfart)
- ✓ Mark Abbey, Regional Director, CHC Europe, Middle East, Africa (EMEA)
- ✓ Stephen G Hawkes, Group Head of Aviation, BP, and IOGP ASC Chairman
- ✓ Anders Kristian Røsok, Section Manager Flight Operations, CAA NO
- ✓ Airbus Helicopters, name TBC
- ✓ Bell Helicopter Inc, name TBC
- ✓ Leonardo Helicopters, name TBC
- ✓ Sikorsky Aircraft, name TBC
- ✓ Another four lectures in progress, names TBC
- ✓ Jarle Gimmestad, conductor of the conference, Senior Partner, Gimmestads

and this framework program

September 17th,

Official Opening of Solakonferansen 2018 at 1100 hrs – buffet lunch from 1130 until 1230 hrs – recommences at 1230 hrs, program until approximately 1730 hrs, break and refreshments underway – from 1930 until 2200 hrs, evening gathering with dining and entertainment

September 18th,

Program from 0845 until 1630 hrs, buffet lunch and breaks/refreshments underway – conference dinner (buffet) at 1830 until 2230 hrs touring the fjords onboard MS Sandnes

September 19th,

Program from 0845 until 1300 hrs, finishing with a subsequent buffet lunch.

Finally, the cooperation agreement established with the University of Stavanger (UiS), Centre For Risk Management And Societal Safety (SEROS), signed in 2010, still form an important foundation for the development of our business and this year's conference.

Stay tuned to our website for updates and news. We also try eventually to publish on Facebook. Our main goal is to provide a complete program late April, following that we indicate to open up for a subsequent enrollment.

Sola, March 22nd 2018.

With kind regards and all the best from here – Flight Safety First,

On behalf of the Board of
Stiftelsen Solakonferansen/The Sola Conference Foundation,

Håvard Haugen (sign)
General Manager

Solakonferansen/The Sola Conference

For Safety in Aviation – the most important independent arena for debate and exchange of knowledge.

For those having new knowledge – those who are in need of knowledge – those who want to obtain knowledge (SKB/Oct 13).

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