



Performing Arts Events Denmark

## IETM | Aarhus Plenary Meeting 2023

# The event will take place from the 12th to the 15th of June 2023 at Aarhus, Denmark.

## Living On The Edge

We are living on the edge of a global climate crisis, but its effects are not evenly felt around the world. For some, the impacts are still lurking under the surface, while for others the consequences are felt right now. In a deep travesty of justice, the countries and communities that are currently most affected by climate change are the ones who bear little or no responsibility for causing it.

Back in 2020, the [IETM Satellite Galway](#) meeting explored the relationship between artists, the arts ecosystem and the planet. The meeting identified that climate change is a cultural problem as much as it is a technical one.

Now, the IETM Aarhus Plenary Meeting 2023 invites you to discuss and digest the ethical and practical role of the performing arts – and of the artist – in the face of climate emergency.

To what extent could - and should - the arts be instrumental in the green transition? What measures can we take as a global network to include questions around ethics and justice in the debate around environmental sustainability? How can the performing arts provide opportunities for less-heard voices in order to reach new audiences? Where do we turn for knowledge that will support us in taking immediate steps to lower the environmental impact of our work?

The IETM Aarhus Plenary Meeting 2023 presents a programme that aims to provoke new thoughts and inspire action, awareness and positive impact. You will dive into existing arts practices, discuss production methods and exchange artistic strategies that walk the talk. Alongside the Plenary Meeting will present an artistic programme of thematically relevant performances.

In all this the IETM Aarhus Plenary Meeting 2023 will partner with voices from Greenland and the Faroe Islands with whom Denmark shares a colonial history - a complicated relationship that may resonate in many parts of the world. Climate change is

not only an environmental problem; it also interacts with concepts of power, injustice and resources. If ignored, these underlying structures may very well keep us re-enacting the same patterns time and again.

Find more information [here](#).