

## Speaker Bios: Healthy & Climate Friendly School food – coming soon to a place near you?



Arnt Steffensen is the president of the Norwegian Diet and Nutrition Association – a trade union for kitchen professionals in public kitchens. Arnt has been engaged in the lively debate about eating at school that has been going on in Norway for a long time and where the traditional lunch pack is contrasted with the option of a public delivered type of foodservice. Arnt is in addition an author to books on food and drink. His talk is on the lunch pack & meal service antagonism and the two important dimensions of school food: food practice and learning and is entitled "Is there a lunch box shame in Norway? How a teacher & dietician alliance has been pushing school food forward".



Vivian Barnekow is a consultant and senior adviser for WHO, European office. She has a background from working as international consultant on public health with focus on policy development, cross sector planning and action at all levels of society. She started her professional carrier as a school teacher, later becoming education adviser on health promotion programmes dealing with lifestyles, tobacco, alcohol and drugs in the largest region in Denmark and has been working for WHO, regional Office for Europe from developing and implementing the European Network of Health Promoting Schools programme. Vivian will be opening the webinar



Tina Bowley is a school meal officer in the city of Malmö in Sweden. She has a background from Public Health and Public Health Nutrition Officer at Malmö city. She is the coordinator of the Swedish arm of the SESAM 22/23 that will run in tandem with Danish schools in a Danish-Swedish Oresund Strait cooperation and will test and demonstrate classroom strategies related to science, food and digital literacy. Tina will talk about the Swedish school food system and what countries in transition can learn. The talk is entitled Decades of Swedish tax paid school food – what transition countries can learn.



Donald Bundy. Donald is a Professor of Epidemiology and Development at the London School of Hygiene & Tropical Medicine. He has worked for more than 30 years on the role of school health and nutrition programmes in the development of school-age children and adolescents, especially in low-income countries. He is the Director of the Global Research Consortium for School Health and Nutrition, and advisor to the World Food Programme in Rome, the Children's Investment Fund Foundation in London, the World Bank in Washington DC, and several national governments. Donald will be speaking on School food – a strategy for better food security? in a pre-recorded presentation.



Elin Sandström is a coordinator of the project "A new recipe for school food" at the Swedish Food Agency and has a background from public health. She is working with innovation processes in relation to the future of the Swedish school food system and is currently engaged in a project that, among others, investigates how pedagogy and design can be used as tools to rethink school food. Elin's talks is on food systems and schools and is entitled "Systemthinking for lunch? Can School meals accelerate the transition to a sustainable food system?"



Ulrika Backlund is a Project manager at WWF Sweden for the newly launched cross European SchoolFood4Change. She has a background as a dietician with a great interest in sustainable food systems, equality in health and sustainable development. She has a long experience from projects related to the Swedish national school food system. Her talk is on the new cross European project and is entitled "SchoolFood4Change – 3.000 schools, 600,000 pupils, 16 cities in 12 countries across Europe cannot be wrong."



Bent Egberg Mikkelsen is a professor at UCPH-IGN [University of Copenhagen](https://www.ign.ku.dk/). His research is on strategies for Urban Food & Farming and Urban Food Strategies with a focus on civic engagement, socio-ecological approaches and change and learning strategies. He has been doing extensive research in science education and involvement of pupils at school. He is the PI of the [SELEAZ1](#) and [SESAM](#) programs and most recently the [SESAM21 program](#). Program that focuses on how foodsystems thinking can be integrated in the STEM, science and digital learning at school. His talk is entitled Can School Feeding empower young people to change the food system of tomorrow? An outline of a 2<sup>nd</sup> Generation Food Education at School.



Mia Lundby Kragelund is a Special Advisor in the Municipality of Aarhus – the biggest city on the Danish mainland Jutland. Mia has a background from public health and has as a civil servant been deeply engaged in the process of decisions and implementation of the installing kitchens at the schools in the municipality. Her talk is on the background considerations in relation to learning, pedagogy and food practice in relation to school food and is entitled "Are we there yet? The 2nd largest city in Denmark has started its journey towards public school food provision"



Lis Zachø is a math teacher and Master of Arts in pedagogy and digital didactical design; She is the coordinator of the Food Lab at the School of Lindevang in the Municipality of Frederiksberg. She coordinates the Coding Pirates after school club that works with application of a coding and programming theme in relation to food systems. She has coordinated the SESAM21 program at the Lindevang school and is passionate about sustainability and food systems.



Lene Nørgaard Hansen is a Deputy school director 2022, at Tønder Municipality and has a background from teaching She is a Master of Public Management from University of Southern Denmark and has experience from being a deputy superintendent and a school consultant at Tønder Municipality since 2003. Lene talk is on the process of deciding about school food in the municipality and is entitled "Can School Food be a campaign theme in the local government elections? In Tønder, Southern Jutland, Denmark it could"