

UBC JOINT SEMINAR -
URBAN PLANNING AND CULTURE COMMISSIONS

cities **IN** transformation

Creating potentials for City Life
September 15-18th 2013

KOLDING, DENMARK



Welcome to Kolding

Dear participant

It is natural for people to share experiences and work together in order to reach common goals. Membership of the UBC gives us an opportunity to exchange experiences and get pieces of good advice from our neighbors and friends from all over the Baltic Sea Region. Kolding has a long experience of taking initiatives across borders and we are looking forward to host this seminar that brings spatial and cultural planners together from all over our region.

Kolding has been an active member in UBC since 1997 and hosted an Urban Planning Commission seminar back in April 2003.

Kolding is now hosting a joint seminar "Cities in transformation - Creating Potentials for City Life". The Planning Commission and the Commission on Culture has put together an inspiring programme to discuss significant challenges within the planning world that we are facing today and in the future to come.

We hope to get a good mix of new and different input for the future development of Kolding Municipality as well as give new inspiration for all the participants.

We hope you'll enjoy your stay!



Jørn Pedersen, Mayor of Kolding



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About the theme and focus

Cities are changing rapidly around us, from industrial towns to cities based on knowledge. The increase in human and digital mobility is a challenge that demands cooperation between many levels within the planning world.

So how do we face these challenges?

We can start by adding broader perspectives in the different planning processes to end up with more qualified projects – but how?

What is “best practice” when choosing alternative paths to create places for new city life to unfold? And how can we use urban planning and culture as a joint driver for urban development?

These are some of the questions being asked at the seminar.

The three day seminar will present different methods to create potentials for change and new developments in the cities. We will learn about methodologies from cultural planning and, among others, see interesting examples of how former industrial buildings and sites have been transformed adding value and new identity to the local area surrounding them as well as to the city on a larger scale.

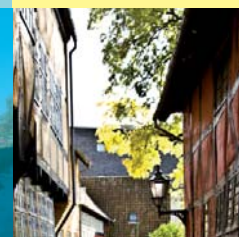
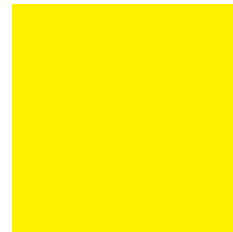
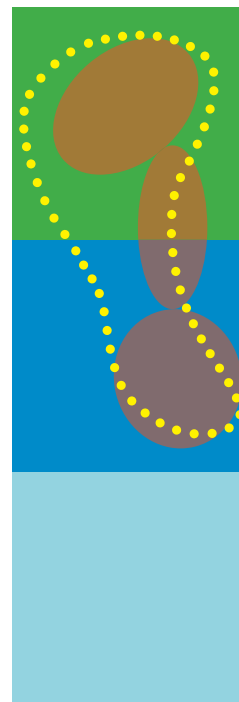
We will also discuss how small scale cultural projects can have a huge impact on how we experience the city around us.

The first part of the seminar will involve both practical and theoretical input. The second part includes a workshop focusing on local challenges to bridge and connect very different areas in Kolding. The purpose is to enhance their individual identity and make them part of the living city – creating potentials for city life.

During the workshop you will have the chance to contribute your vision and experience in creating valuable places and experiences in the city of Kolding.

How, is up to you and your group, we are looking forward for your proposals.

The groups will present the proposals from the workshop open to the public on Wednesday the 18th.



Who will speak?

**Keld Buciek**

Lecturer in Cultural Planning at the University of Roskilde (RUC) / DK.

Focus: The production of spatial differences, cultural planning and geography, the relation of people to places.

**Ulrik Jungersen**

Head of design and development at Kolding Municipality.

Focus: Design processes, design cities and communication about them.

**Majbritt Chambers**

Project manager at Spinderihallerne in Vejle.

Focus: City development through culture and creativity, transition of cities from industrial towns to cities of knowledge.

**Christian Skovbjerg Jensen**

Project Manager at IMAGES Festival, CKU (Centre for Culture and Development). Freelance curator & writer.

Focus: Use of contemporary art exhibitions in urban spaces and how it influence on everyday life – how people react when they meet art in public spaces.

**Lars Davidsen**

Project manager at Aarhus Municipality, the Cultural Administration.

Focus: Cultural competence, creative development processes involving artists and other citizens.

**Kristian Lykkebo**

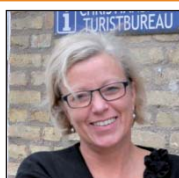
Cultural facilitator and coordinator at NICOLAI, Kolding.

Focus: Creating a new creative hub in a city, engaging volunteers in cultural production, planning for the citizens, culture in progress.

**Malene Leerberg**

Development consultant at Kolding Municipality.

Focus: City life, working cross-sectorially within a municipality, design at all levels.

**Anne Mette Berg**

Head of the Christiansfeld Centre.

Focus: Cultural heritage. Focus on the city development and conservation of Christiansfeld and the importance of using history and cultural heritage.

**Morten Hougaard**

Head of Planning department of Kolding Municipality.

Your host throughout the cultural planning seminar along with Lone Leth Larsen.

**Lone Leth Larsen**

Head of Culture department of Kolding Municipality
Chairman of UBC Cultural Committee.

Your host throughout the cultural planning seminar along with Morten Hougaard.

This is where we are

A natural bridge between Scandinavia and the rest of Europe

Denmark has long enjoyed close ties with its Scandinavian neighbors, Sweden and Norway, as well as continental Europe and the UK. Culturally and commercially, Kolding is a key link with close proximity to the German border, easy access to the ferries that connect Scandinavia to England and the rest of Europe, and a highly developed, up-to-date infrastructure.

At Denmark's logistical crossroads

Kolding's location at the intersection of Denmark's major north-south and east-west highways has made it a natural choice for a wide variety of companies. But Kolding is also served by its own harbour, excellent rail connections and easy access to a number of airports.

World-class infrastructure in the heart of Northern Europe

The municipality of Kolding, Denmark's seventh largest with a population of 90,000, is located at the head of Kolding Fjord on the east coast of the Jutland peninsula. A historic hub of commerce and education, Kolding is one of the key cities in the East Jutland metropolitan area, which with a population of 1.2 million is Denmark's largest urban area outside of Copenhagen – and home to large pool of well-educated talent.

Kolding in UBC

Being a UBC member is a part of Kolding Municipality's international policy 2012. The participation supports exchange of experiences, openness and information, within the Baltic Sea area as well as to the public in Kolding and DK.

Former mayor in Kolding Per Bødker Andersen, member of the City Council for the Social Democrats has been the president for the UBC since 2001. Lone Leth Larsen Head of the Department of Culture is chairman for the Commission on Culture.

By focusing on cultural planning combined with a more traditional approach to planning during the seminar "Cities in transformation - Creating Potentials for City Life" we hope to get new and different input for Kolding as well as for the other participants.

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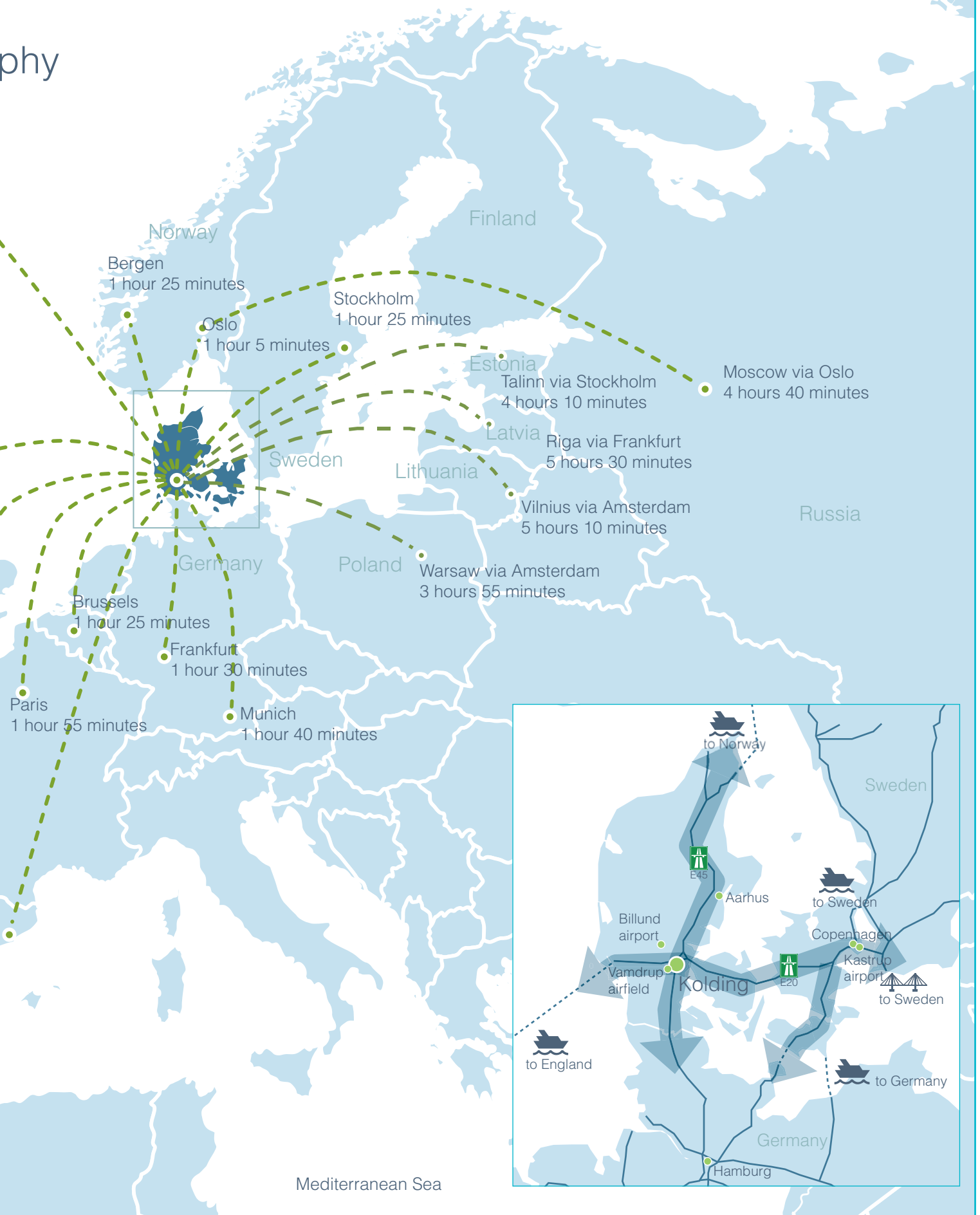
Edinburgh
1 hour 35 minutes

London
1 hour 30 minutes

North Atlantic Ocean

Barcelona
2 hours 30 minutes

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About the workshop area



What we would like you to address:

The workshop area consists of many smaller areas and functions within a soft shaped area from the train station in the north, crossing the railway to the inner harbour/ Toldbodgade and further down to the campus site towards south.

The nature and functions of these areas are very different and the challenge is how to connect them to each other and to the surrounding city and include them in the living city – creating potentials for new city life for people.

We are asking for suggestions from the participants regarding matters within infrastructure, temporality, scale, bridging, functions, attractors and identity of the places.

The scale of the proposal is up to you and your group. You can work with the individual sites and/or with connections between the sites and the surrounding city. Each group is allocated to a specific site that has to be a part of the proposal. The aim is to suggest one or more visions for the future development pointing out strategies and ideas for us to get inspired.

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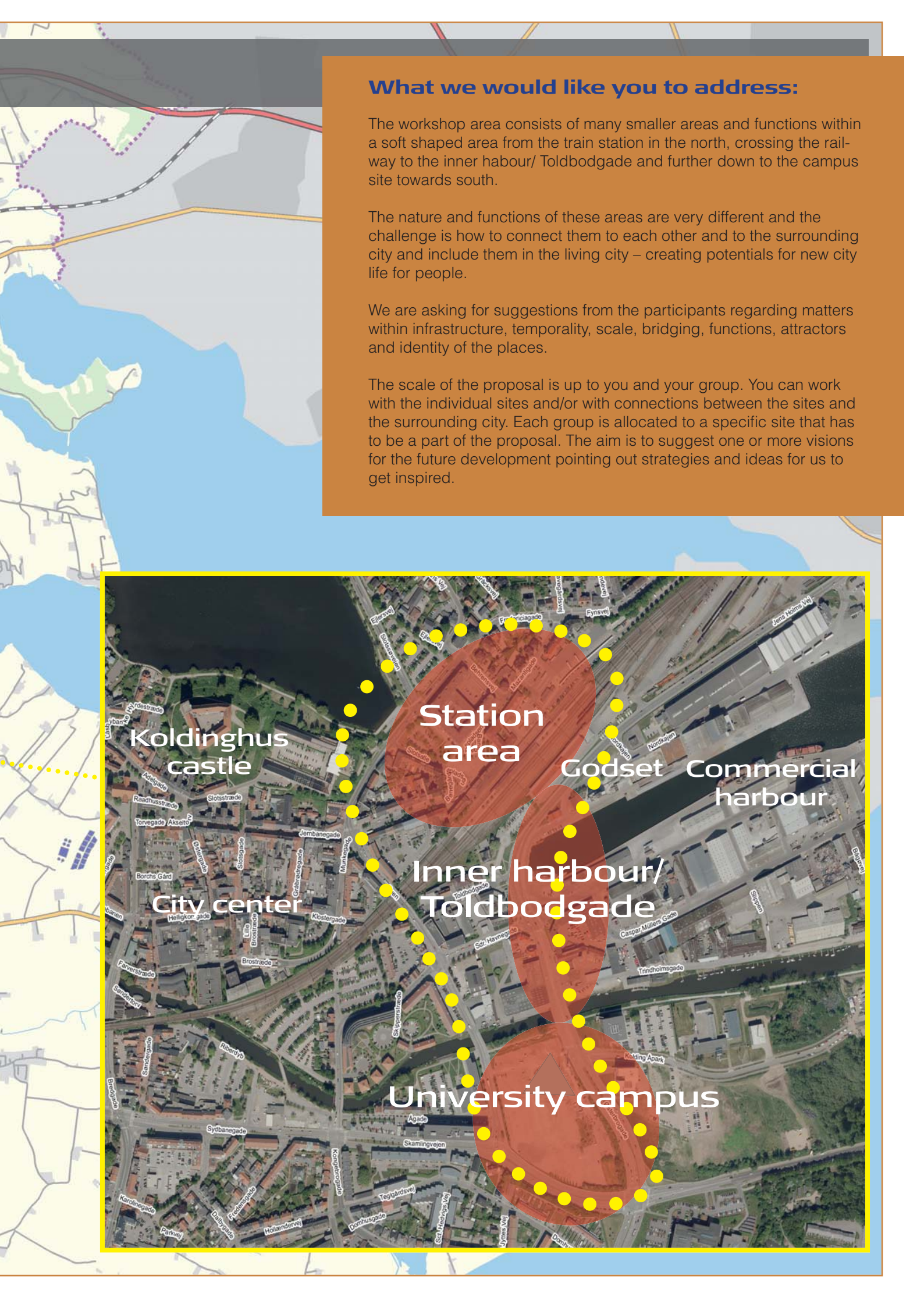
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Guided walk

1:4.000

Noticable buildings and areas

 = The route

 = The workshop area

 = The UBC base: The Library

 1 = Kolding train station

 2 = Postoffice

 3 = The tunnel under the railway tracks

 4 = "Godset"/Music Hall

 5 = The harbour

 6 = The local port office

 7 = The old customs house

 8 = "Vejerbod"/Weigh House

 9 = "Falck" - Fire department

 10 = University of Southern Denmark

 11 = Tunnel under Østerbrogade

 12 = International Business College - IBC

 13 = Kolding School of Design

 14 = Kolding Education Center - KUC

 15 = City Council

 16 = Nicolai complex

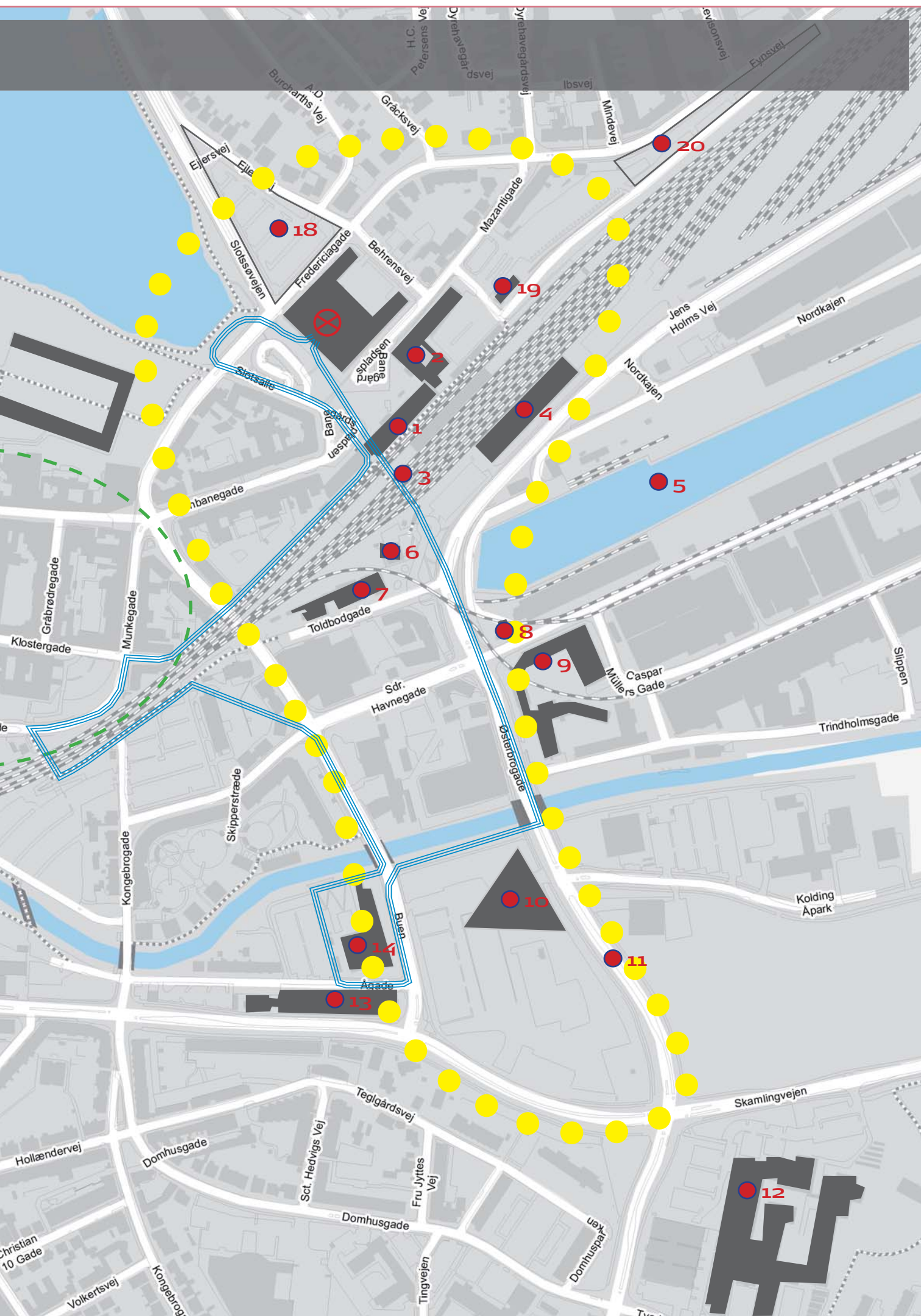
 17 = Koldinghus Castle

 18 = Parking at Ejlersvej

 19 = Bus station

 20 = Parking at Fynsvej

City
center



The Areas: Rails!

1:2.000

Parking at
Ejlersvej

UBC base:
the library

Post office

Bus station

"Godset"/Music Hall

Station

Tunnel under the
railway tracks

Local port office

Kolding Railway station



The station area in Kolding

In 2004-2006, the area around the station was transformed and new buildings were erected on the old castle mill grounds next to the castle lake. The area was enhanced with new features such as a new library, hotel (First Hotel) and housing on top of the library. They thus created a better basis for more activity and life in the area.

For years plans have been discussed regarding converting the existing old bus station adjacent to the train stations into a modern and contemporary bus terminal. This requires a relocation of the post office but also gives way to develop new and future-oriented uses of the undeveloped land along the railway.

The aim is to create a modern hub that generates city qualities such as concentration of people, and related activities and functions.

Description of location:

The station is one of the city's main destinations for a large number of travelers and commuters in the region. It is located in the periphery of the downtown city center, and the station area is today a hub for all train and bus services in Kolding. The area is a key point between the Kolding downtown center to the west, the old castle Koldinghus to the northwest and the harbour towards south.

The station is located very close to the old castle Koldinghus, the strongest visual icon of Kolding. The proximity to the castle and the surrounding castle lake is not noticeable when you step out of the station building but there is in fact a very short distance between the two sites. The old dam in Fredericiagade north of the station square blocks the visual connection. Instead there is a green area with parking and scattered trees.

The area's close connection to the harbour is not immediately visible either. A long tunnel under the tracks, which ends in a parking area along Jens Holm Vej near the local music hall "Godset" connects the two sides. As such, there is no visual and physical link between the station building and square and the nearby harbour. These two areas are literally two different worlds

On both sides of the railways tracks you find many different parking facilities for the large number of users of public transport in Kolding. Several of these facilities e.g the parking facilities at Ejlersvej is located in very attractive areas which could have been used more appropriate to benefit the town. The change, however, took no account of a more long-term functional change addressing issues such as the open and diffuse areas along the railway, the parking facilities at Ejlersvej, and the parking in front of the library.

Your new vision:

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The tunnel from Jens Holms Vej to the station

The "Banegårdsplads"

Busstation



The Areas: Water!

1:2.000

Station

"Godset"/Music Hall

Tunnel under the railway tracks

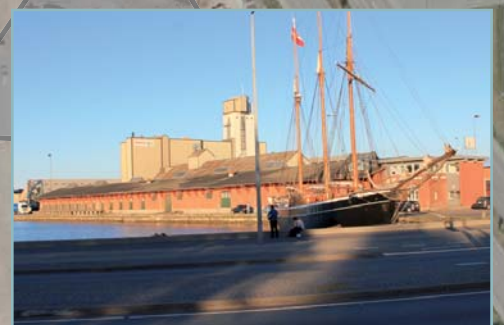
Local port office

Old customs house

"Vejerbod"/Weigh House

"Falck" - Fire department

Former warehouses in inner harbour





The inner harbour and the area around Toldbodgade

The Port of Kolding was established in 1843 and is today one of Denmark's 10 largest ports with a total marine cargo turnover of approx. 1,5 million tons. The port is a mixed industrial and commercial port with more than 50 companies and 1.000 employees.

The Port of Kolding has modern facilities for handling most types of goods as well as disposition of land for the establishment of companies wishing location on the harbour. The port is owned by the Municipality of Kolding, operated as an independent company under the law on ports. The Harbour Board is elected by the city council in Kolding.

Description of location:

The workshop area is limited to the inner harbour and the area around Toldbodgade towards west. The area is dominated by the heavy truck and car traffic on Jens Holmsvej due to the commercial harbour activities on each side of the docks. The local port office/Havnekontoret from 1991 is located on the harbour on Jens Holms Vej 1, south of the railway tracks facing the water and the docks.

There are few interesting historical buildings left in the area that adds significant value to the atmosphere around the inner harbour. In Toldbodgade 7, you find the old customs House from 1917. The building has held the freight company H. Daugaard A/S since 1978 and is now up for sale.

In Sdr. Havnegade you find the reminiscences of the former activities on the harbour among them old warehouses along the inner dock and the weigh houses (vejerboder) where goods were controlled and weighed before being distributed to the rest of DK and Europe.

Another noticeable building located in the harbour area is "Godset" at Jens Holms vej 5, a former freight station, built in 1920 next to the tracks. In 1995 an architectural competition suggested that the building was renovated and turned into a Youth House with a concert hall for rock concerts. Today "Godset" (The freight) is the absolute best place to go in Kolding if you're looking for popular and alternative stage performers from DK and abroad.

For locals the harbour area is primarily used as a passing by area without possibilities or reasons to stay for locals or others. The area has a raw character with the charm of the historical traces left behind with new functions and uses for the majority of them.

The harbours primary function as a commercial port and Jens Holm Vejs continued existence as an important infrastructural connection in Kolding are premises to plan around when developing the area in the future.

Your new vision:

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The local port office + tunnel under the railway tracks

"Vejerbod"/Weigh House

"Godset"/Music Hall



The Areas: Education!

1:2.000

University of
Southern Denmark

Kolding Education
Center - KUC

Kolding
School of Design

Tunnel under
Østerbrogade

Kolding Apark

Trindholmsgade

Østerbrogade

Skamlingvejen

Teglårdsvej

Wigs Vej

Domhusparken

Tvedvej

Koldinghus
castle

Station
area

Godset

Commercial
harbour

City center

Inner harbour/
Toldbodgade

University campus



The campus site

Kolding Town Council has for years put a strong effort into developing Kolding as a university town. The intention is to create a creative platform/framework for the future educational and student environment in the city. The strategy has among other improvements led to a new location of the existing University of Southern Denmark, towards south within the workshop area, adjacent to the other educational institutions on a higher level in the city.

DESCRIPTION:

University of southern Denmark has departments in Odense, Kolding, Esbjerg og Sønderborg/ Flensborg. The university is the 3rd. largest in DK and has approx. 2000 full/halftime students studying in Kolding. The closest neighbors to the west is KUC (Kolding Educational Center) and the Kolding School of Design. Opposite the road to the south you find IBC (International Business College) and to the east opposite Østerbrogade a future business park and mixed uses area Design City - by the size of 3,1 ha. – is now being layed out along the river and the ring road.

The area is centrally located, directly by the river and within short distance from the city center and the harbour. In general the area around the university is weakly connected to the surrounding city and the walk from the harbour to the university is suffering from lack of interesting and safe connections for pedestrians and cyclists.

There is an important public a pathway running from the city, crossing the university site and continuing to the Design City.

An important factor in the area for future growth on a city level is the presence Kolding School of design. Kolding School of Design (DK) is a leading cultural and educational institution in Denmark/Scandinavia/ Europe. The school has been located in Kolding for several years and plays an important role as a brand for Kolding. The school offers BA, MA and Ph.D. studies in Communication Design, Fashion, Textile and Industrial Design and has about 340 students.

Your new vision:

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The new university rises



The Campus site



Østerbrogade towards Campus



Kolding School of Design



Future businesspark

International Business College - IBC

Programme

Sunday - Sept. 15th ARRIVAL DAY

19.00

"Get together - A warm welcome to Kolding"
- light tapas and drinks

Location:

The Music hall "Godset" in the workshop area
Jens Holmsvej 5, 6000 Kolding

"The city seen through the eyes of a newcomer"

Lone Leth Larsen (Head of Culture Department)



Monday - Sept. 16th THEORY DAY

8.00 - 8.30
Registration

Location:

Library - Large meeting room in the basement

Distribution of tote bags with name tags, compendium and city maps.

8.30 - 8.45
Welcome to Kolding

Thomas Boe, City- and Development director of Kolding

8.45 - 9.15
Intro - "Who are we in Kolding?"

Overview - Kolding in pictures and photos

Morten Hougaard (Head of Planning Department)
Lone Leth Larsen (Head of Culture Department)

9.15 - 10.00
Design Process

"Why cities should think of design as a method for development"

Ulrik Jungersen (Head of design and development in Kolding Municipality)

"City Life Strategy as cultural planning" - multi-disciplinary approach for a better city life in Kolding

Malene Leerberg - Development consultant in Kolding Municipality

10.00 - 10.30
Coffee Break

10.30 - 11.15
Introduction to conflicts and challenges in the workshop area - "Why do we need to work with these places?"

11.15 - 12.00
"An introduction to Cultural planning as a challenge for contemporary city planning"

Keld Buciek - Cultural geographer and PhD. at the University of Roskilde (RUC)/ DK

12.00 - 13.00
Lunch at Café Berg / First Hotel

13.15 - 15.00
Examples of Cultural Planning processes in practice:

• **Case from Vejle - The Spinning Mills in Vejle/DK**
v/ Majbritt Chambers Vejle Municipality/ DK

• **Case about the importance and impact of art in public places**
v/ Christian Skovbjerg, IMAGES Festival, CKU (Centre for Culture and Development)

• **Case from Århus - Transformation of former freight areas in central Aarhus/DK**
v/ Lars Davidsen, Culture Department in Aarhus Municipality/DK

15.00 - 16.15
Guided tour in workshop area and adjacent surroundings.

- Central Station square/area
- Inner Harbour/Toldbodgade area
- University of Southern Denmark
- Kolding School of Design

16.15 - 17.00
Gather in the working groups in the library
- individual presentations and first impressions
- see name tag for your workroom

Access to coffee from 16.00 to 17.00

19.00
Departure by bus to Christiansfeld from Banegårdspladsen

"Cultural heritage town - Christiansfeld as a cultural driver for Kolding Municipality"
v/ bus guide Anne Mette Løkke Borg Berg

Short guided walk from the church to the restaurant

20.00
Dinner at Moravian House in Christiansfeld
Host: Lone Leth Larsen (Head of Culture Department)



Tuesday - Sept. 17th WORKSHOP

8.30 - 9.20

Location:

Library - Large meeting room in the basement

Mapping, registration and participatory processes

"Cultural mapping in Kolding"

v/ Keld Buciek - Cultural geographer and PhD. at the University of Roskilde (RUC)/DK

9.20 - 11.15

Location:

Group room at the library

The workshop continues

Access to coffee from 9.30 to 10.30

11.15

Joint departure to City Hall

11.30 - 12.00

City Council Chamber / Byrådssalen

Jørn Pedersen, Mayor of Kolding

12.00 - 12.45

Lunch at City Hall

Host: Mayor Jørn Pedersen

13.00 - 13.45

Visiting Nicolai Cultural Complex

"What can Nicolai do for Kolding?"

Kristian Lykkebo, Administrator at Nicolai

14.00 - 17.00

Location:

Group room at the library - working in the groups

Access to coffee from 14.00 to 17.00

19.00 - 22.30

Banquet at the old castle Koldinghus

19.00 - 19.30

Welcome drink and guided tour at Koldinghus Castle

19.45

Location:

3rd. floor - Dinner in The Banqueting Hall



Wednesday - Sept. 18th PRESENTATIONS

8.00 - 9.00

Location:

Library - Large meeting room in the basement

Working groups – finishing up presentations

9.00 - 11.00

Location:

Meeting Room at the library

Presentations, discussions and questions - open to the public, including political participation

Coffee break: will be announced by host when suitable

11.00

Conclusions and summary

by the two chairmen

Niels-Peter Mohr/Chairman on the Commission on Urban Planning

Lone Leth Larsen / Chairman on the Commission on Culture

Presentation of the next seminars in the Planning Commission + Culture Commission

12.00 - 13.00

Lunch at Café Berg / First Hotel

(or sandwiches to go)

13.00

Departure - have a safe journey home



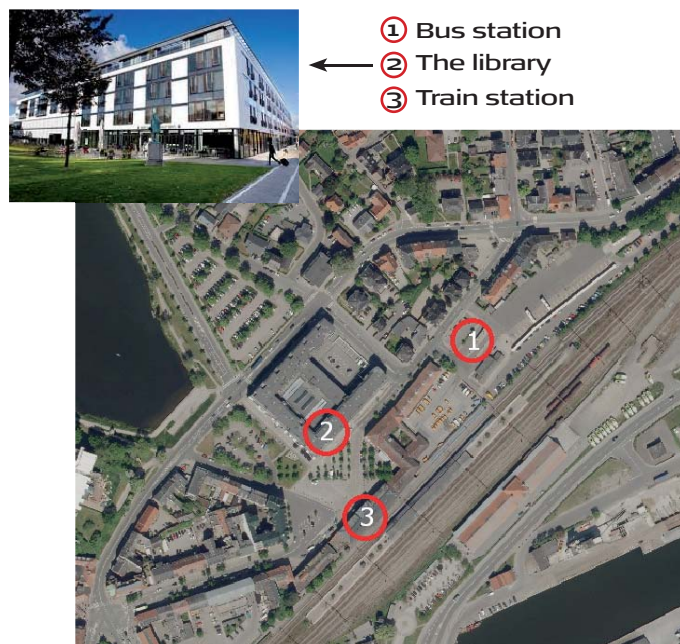
Practical information

Seminar location

The seminar is held in the center of Kolding in the [Public Library, Slotssøvejen 4, 6000 Kolding](#).

Please see map below

Would you like to know more about Kolding, please visit our website : www.kolding.dk



Transportation

There are many different ways to reach Kolding, either by plane going through the nearest airport Billund 35 km from the city or by train that is well connected to national and international routes.

Busses are available from Billund Airport taking you to the bus station just next to the train station in Kolding - please see timetable for the airport bus below

Sunday Billund Airport to Kolding Bus Station Bus Number: 166	Wednesday Kolding Bus station to Billund Airport Bus Number: 166
<u>Departure</u> 1. 11.00 (11:00 am) 2. 13.30 (01:30 pm) 3. 16.00 (04:00 pm) 4. 18.30 (06:30 pm) 5. 21.00 (09:00 pm)	<u>Departure</u> 1. 05.28 (05:28 am) 2. 06.35 (06:35 am) 3. 08.03 (08:03 am) 4. 09.50 (09:50 am) 5. 11.45 (11:45 am) 6. 12.50 (12:50 pm) 7. 13.55 (01:55 pm) 8. 15.30 (03:30 pm) 9. 16.35 (04:35 pm) 10. 20.35 (08:35 pm)
<u>Arrival</u> 1. 12.08 (12:08 pm) 2. 14.38 (02:38 pm) 3. 17.08 (05:08 pm) 4. 19.38 (07:38 pm) 5. 22.08 (10:08 pm)	<u>Arrival</u> 1. 06.34 (06:34 am) 2. 07.47 (07:47 am) 3. 09.13 (09:13 am) 4. 11.00 (11:00 am) 5. 12.56 (12:56 pm) 6. 14.00 (02:00 pm) 7. 15.06 (03:06 pm) 8. 16.40 (04:40 pm) 9. 17.43 (05:43 pm) 10. 21.43 (09:43 pm)

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Weather and Wear

The Danish weather is normally dry and relatively warm in September, around 15 degrees in average. But please check the weather forecast before leaving. We can also run in to cloudy and wet days - so bring a jacket and keep your fingers crossed.

Have a nice trip - we're looking forward to seeing you in Kolding!!

The UBC Kolding crew:

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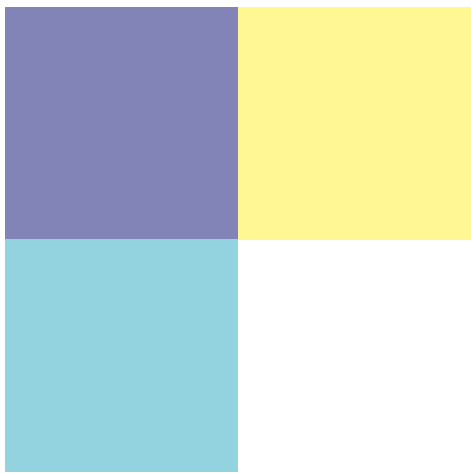
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Rikke Aakjær Steffensen

Notes

... for thoughts and actions!



See you!

Yours sincerely

Kolding Kommune

