Uddannelsesmuligheder i Danmark

I'm a 16 year old person living in Denmark. I'm born in Denmark, but my parents are from Jordan. I just finished primary school in Denmark and am now considering what my next step should be. I'm fluent in danish.
What educational path would you recommend for me?

That's a great question, and it's really good that you're thinking about your future so early. In Denmark, there are several educational paths available after primary school (folkeskolen), and the best one for you depends on your interests, strengths, and long-term goals.

Here's an overview of your main options:

🎓 1. Gymnasiale Uddannelser (Upper Secondary Education)

These are general academic programs that prepare you for higher education (university, etc.).

- **STX (Almen studentereksamen)**
  Broad and academic; includes humanities, natural sciences, and social sciences.

- **HHX (Højere handelseksamen)**
  Focus on business, economics, and international trade.

- **HTX (Højere teknisk eksamen)**
  Focus on technology, science, IT, and engineering.

- **HF (Højere forberedelseseksamen)**
  Shorter (2 years), more flexible, and often used by students who want to go to university colleges (professionshøjskoler).

Best for you if:
You enjoy academic subjects and think you might want to go to university later (like studying medicine, law, engineering, teaching, etc.).

🛠️ 2. Erhvervsuddannelser (Vocational Education and Training - EUD)

These prepare you for a job directly or further professional education. Examples include:

- Electrician
- Carpenter
- Hairdresser
- IT technician
- Healthcare assistant

You can also take the **EUX**, which combines vocational training with academic subjects, so you can work *and* still go to university afterward.

Best for you if:
You like hands-on work and want a career sooner, or if you're interested in combining work and study (especially EUX).

💡 Things to Think About:

- **What subjects do you enjoy most in school?**
  Science, math, languages, business, art, technology?

- **Do you prefer practical work or studying theory?**
  That helps you decide between vocational and academic education.

- **Do you want to go to university someday, or start working earlier?**

- **Do you want flexibility (e.g. HF or EUX), or a more traditional academic path (e.g. STX)?**

✨ Personal Recommendation (based on what you've said):

Since you're fluent in Danish, born in Denmark, and likely understand the system well, you have many choices. If you're not sure yet what career you want, **STX or HHX** could give you a solid foundation and more time to decide. If you're already interested in technology, science, or practical work, **HTX or EUX** could be perfect.

You could also speak with an **educational advisor (UU-vejleder)** at your school or kommune — they help students decide based on interests, grades, and goals.

Would you like help narrowing it down based on your interests (e.g., what subjects or careers you like)?