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I'm a 16 year old person living in Denmark. I'm born in Denmark, but my parents are from Montenegro. 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 big and exciting step—congrats on finishing primary school!

In Denmark, after *folkeskole* (primary and lower secondary school), you typically have a few main educational paths to choose from, depending on your interests, goals, and strengths. Here's a breakdown to help guide your decision:

1. Gymnasiale Uddannelser (Upper Secondary Education)

These prepare you for university. If you enjoy academic subjects and might want to study at a university later, this is a strong path.

a. STX (Almen studentereksamen)

- Broad and academic.
- Focuses on humanities, social sciences, and natural sciences.
- Good if you're still unsure what you want to do and want to keep your options open.

b. HHX (Højere handelseksamen)

- Business-oriented.
- Focuses on economics, international trade, marketing.
- Great if you're interested in business, finance, or entrepreneurship.

c. HTX (Højere teknisk eksamen)

- Technology and science focus.
- Ideal for those interested in engineering, IT, or natural sciences.

d. HF (Højere forberedelseseksamen)

- Shorter (2 years).
- More practical than STX and often used by those who want to move on to professional bachelor programs or specific careers quickly.

2. Erhvervsuddannelser (Vocational Education and Training - EUD)



If you're more hands-on or want to enter the workforce sooner, this could be ideal.

- Combines school and apprenticeship (praktik).
- Leads to a skilled profession (electrician, carpenter, hairdresser, chef, etc.).
- You can still pursue higher education later via *EUX* or adult education.

a. EUX

- Combines vocational training with academic subjects.
- Prepares you for both the labor market **and** university later on.

Special Consideration for Your Background

Being bilingual and having a multicultural background is a huge asset—especially in areas like:

- International business or trade (HHX or EUX Business)
- Languages and communication (STX or HF)
- Technology and innovation (HTX)

You also might consider careers where cultural understanding is important, like:

- Education
- Social work
- Public administration
- Translation/interpreting
- International relations

How to Choose?

Ask yourself:

- Do I enjoy academic subjects and want to keep university as an option? \rightarrow STX, HHX, HTX
- Am I more practical and like working with my hands? → EUD or EUX
- Do I want a shorter route to a profession, but still with possibilities later? → HF or EUX

Also, consider visiting **UddannelsesGuiden (ug.dk)** or talking to a **UU-vejleder (youth guidance counselor)**. They can give tailored advice and even help you visit schools or internships.

★ Final Advice

At 16, you don't need to have it all figured out. Pick a path that fits your interests **now**, knowing you can change or add to it later. Denmark's system is flexible and supports lifelong learning.

Would you like help narrowing this down based on your specific interests or talents?