

AES

25 Years of Competing Designs and Cryptanalysis

12th to 15th of April 2026

Gausta Resort, Telemark, Norway

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Gaustablikk 12–15 April 2026

Sunday 12 April — Arrival & Welcome

- Afternoon/evening arrivals Gaustablikk Fjellresort
<https://www.gausta.com/en-US/gaustablikk-fjellresort/>
- **18:00–20:00 Reception**
 - Welcome + drinks
- **20:00 Dinner** (*3-course dinner at Bjørk Restaurant, Gausta Resort*)

Monday 13 April — Invited Talks

Invited talks with coffee breaks and lunch. We consider adding free time after lunch to go do activities and move the afternoon session.

08:30–09:00 Coffee

Session I (09:00–12:00)

09:00–xx:xx	Name	<i>Talk Title</i>
	Organization	

12:00–13:30 Two-course Lunch at Bjørk Restaurant

Session II (13:30–17:00)

13:30–xx:xx	Name	<i>Talk Title</i>
	Organization	

17:00–20:00 Open / informal side sessions

A few options:

- Floating Saunas <https://www.gausta.com/en-US/activity/floating-sauna/>
- Randonnée in the mountains or hit the slopes
- Cross country skiing

20:00 3-course dinner at Bjørk Restaurant, Gausta Resort

Tuesday 14 April — Invited Talks + Secret Dining Event

Invited talks with coffee breaks.

08:30–09:00 Coffee

Session I (09:00–12:00)

09:00–xx:xx	Name	<i>Talk Title</i>
	Organization	

12:00–13:30 Two-course Lunch at Bjørk Restaurant

Session II (13:30–16:00)

13:30–xx:xx	Name	<i>Talk Title</i>
	Organization	

17:00— Secret Dining inside Gaustatoppen

In *Top Secret Dining*, participants are taken back in time to the Cold War through storytelling and dramaturgy, to an era when the Iron Curtain stretched across Europe. Throughout the 1950s and 1960s, tensions between the superpowers intensified, and Norway stood as a supporter of the United States.

The experience focuses on this atmosphere of tension. Guests are invited to join a thrilling adventure featuring professional actors, excellent food, and captivating stories, all set inside what was once one of Norway's most secret military defense facilities. The full experience lasts approximately 4 hours.

The package includes:

1. Round-trip transportation by the funicular railway.
2. Dramaturgy and storytelling with live acting.
3. A three-course dinner in the former listening and transmission hall at the summit.
4. Cognac tasting of Gaustatoppen XO directly from the barrel.

More information

More about the concept and a video teaser can be found here:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LH10YmXsoho>

Wednesday 15 April — Wrap-up + Lunch

09:00–11:00 Talks / discussion block

11:00–12:00 Closing Session

- Summary of outputs
- Recurring event ?

12:00 Two-course Lunch at Bjørk Restaurant + Departure

