



24th Arctic-Subarctic Ocean Fluxes Workshop **21-23 April, 2026. Bergen, Norway**

We are looking forward to welcoming you to the next ASOF (Arctic-Subarctic Ocean Fluxes) meeting:

**Arctic-Subarctic Ocean Fluxes, and
Celebrating the 150th anniversary of the start of modern marine research in the Nordic Seas**
at the
University of Bergen (UiB), Bergen, Norway,
on
Tuesday 21st – Thursday 23rd April 2026.

We encourage presentations (talks and posters) on all aspects of Arctic-Subarctic connections, disciplinary or interdisciplinary. This year, we also especially invite presentations focusing on 150 years of marine research in the Nordic Seas.

In addition to the usual talk sessions, the program includes an Icebreaker on Monday 20th April evening, poster sessions, a workshop dinner on Wednesday evening, and several optional activities including a hike up to the city mountain of Bergen on Tuesday evening, and (at extra cost) a half day group boat tour on Friday morning. A preliminary meeting plan, with two hotel recommendations (including rooms held at a conference rate until 20th Feb), and other local information is attached. We hope you can make it in person, but a virtual option will be available.

Please register for the ASOF meeting by the end of **Thursday 15th January 2026** using the following Google form: <https://forms.gle/7AwaskCw7moEX8NR7>

Conference Fee: We strive to keep the meeting fee as low as possible, and we are seeking funding from the Norwegian Research Council and the Bergen University Fund. So far, we have been able to secure sponsorship from two companies that are experts in oceanographic instruments ([Nortek](#) and [Aanderaa](#)). However, it may be necessary to charge a fee of up to 2000 NOK for in-person participants to cover meeting costs (room rental, coffee, lunches, and conference dinner). The registration fee will be payable by credit card through the University of Bergen; a link for the payment will be sent out in early March when the budget is final. If you are unable to pay this fee, please note this on the registration form.

Travel support: We have successfully received sponsorship from [Nortek](#) to cover travel costs for early career/indigenous participants (up to about 6 persons total). To apply for this funding, see further details in the attachment.

We hope you can join us. If you need further information, please contact us via asof2026_planning@listserv.dfn.de

ASOF Co-chairs: Laura de Steur (NPI), Wilken-Jon von Appen (AWI), Rebecca Woodgate (APL).

Local Hosts: Tor Eldevik (UiB), Stefanie Semper (UiB), Helene Langehaug (NERSC), Till Baumann (IMR), Svein Østerhus (NORCE).

PRELIMINARY SCHEDULE

The main meeting venue is the University of Bergen (UiB) at Nygårdsgaten 5, 5015 Bergen.

The Monday evening icebreaker will be at UiB's Geophysical Institute (GFI) at Jahnebakken 3, 5007 Bergen. Further details and a map can be found below.

We invite - talks (likely 15 minutes each, plus 5 minutes for questions)

- posters (up to A0-sized portrait or A1-sized landscape, i.e., up to 96 cm wide by 138 cm tall, 37.8 inches wide by 54.3 inches tall)

Monday 20th April

5-7pm GFI **Registration Icebreaker at the Geophysical Institute, UiB**

(Jahnebakken 3, 5007 Bergen, enter from the south, see map below)

Come and register, get your name badge, and meet up with colleagues. Light refreshments provided.

Tours of the institute, including the arguably best view over Bergen, will be offered every 30 min.

Feel free to drop in any time. After 7pm, one can adjourn to a local restaurant.

Tuesday 21st April

All day UiB **Talk sessions including a special session focusing on 150 years of marine research in the Nordic Seas, likely with a poster session in the afternoon.**

Evening Option to join a **short hike up Mount Fløyen**, weather-dependent (walking from the conference venue approx. 4 km distance and 320 m elevation, gravel path, view over the city and fjord, option to take the funicular up and/or down (75 NOK one way))

Wednesday 22nd April

All day UiB **Talk sessions, likely with a poster session in the afternoon**

Evening **Group dinner at the Bergen Aquarium**

Akvariet i Bergen, Nordnesbakken 4, 5005 Bergen, ca. 25 min walking from the conference venue.

Thursday 23rd April

All day UiB **Talk sessions, ending up with**

Evening Some informal evening activity **TBD** (or a weather alternative for the local hike)

Friday 24th April

AM Additional morning activity (not included in any conference fee)

Boat tour - Mostraumenfjord / Bergen (more info will follow)

Tour fee ~850 NOK / 75 EURO per person, possible group discount of 20% (10+ people, not included).

~3.5hr tour to start around 10:30 am. Details and payment to be finalized prior to the meeting.

Coffee, tea, and lunches at UiB are included for meeting participants on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday, in addition to the conference dinner at the Bergen Aquarium on Wednesday evening.

For planning purposes, the registration form asks you to list your participation in the social activities. Please complete the form as accurately as you can and email us (asof2026_planning@listserv.dfn.de) with any extra information.

GETTING TO BERGEN: You can get to Bergen by plane, ferry or train.

- **The train ride from Oslo** (approx. 7h) is beautiful. Book your ticket at <https://www.vy.no/en>. The train station is located ca. 600m (9 min walk) from the venue.
- **From the Airport:** You can take the light rail/bybane #1 from the airport to the city centre (ca. 45 min, 49 NOK). Check the departure times at <https://www.skyss.no/en/> (Bergen Lufthavn to Byparken). There is also an airport bus to the city centre (ca. 27 min, 179 NOK). Check the departure times at <https://flybussen.no/en/> (Bergen Lufthavn Flesland to Festplassen).

GETTING AROUND IN BERGEN

The workshop and icebreaker are located in the city centre of Bergen, where most places are within walking distance. If you need public transportation to get around, you can use the light rail ("bybane") and local buses (same ticket). Plan your trip at <https://www.skyss.no/en/>. A single ticket costs 49 NOK.

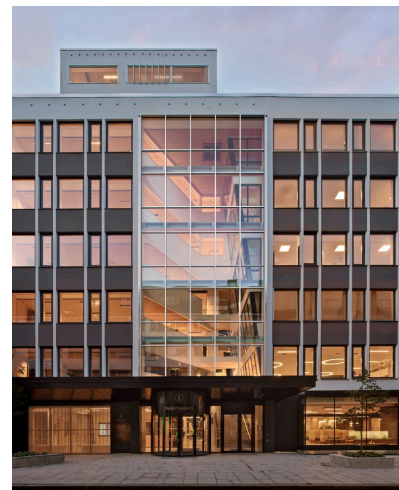
Light rail/Bybane: The end stops of light rail lines #1 ("Byparken") and #2 ("Kaigaten") are located ca. 400m (6 min walk) from the venue.

Bus: Most lines that pass the city centre stop at "Festplassen" or "Olav Kyrres Gate", ca. 300m (4 min) walk from the venue.

VENUE FOR THE ASOF WORKSHOP

University of Bergen Learning Area, Storsalen (main hall)

Meeting Address: Nygårdsgaten 5, 5015 Bergen



VENUE FOR THE ICEBREAKER

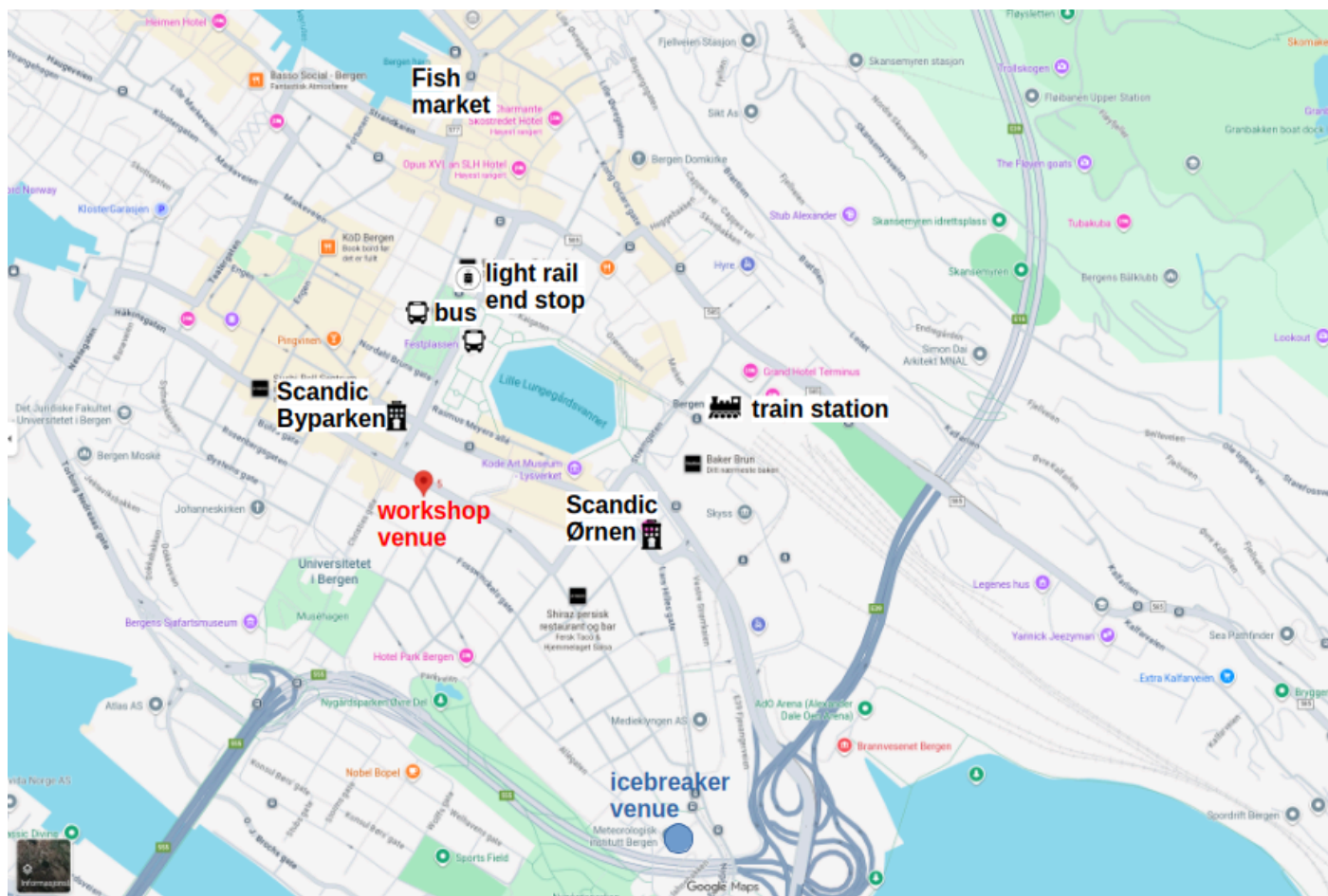
University of Bergen Geophysical Institute

Address: Jahnebakken 3, 5007 Bergen

The Geophysical Institute is located in the city centre of Bergen, ca. 800m (12 min walk) from the workshop venue. The closest bus and light rail stop is "Nygård". The Geophysical building consists of three wings arranged in a u-shape, with the opening to the south. For the icebreaker, we will use the entrance to the middle building from the south.



Map of Bergen town center



HOTEL GROUP RESERVATIONS

We were able to make group reservations at two hotels: **Scandic Ørnen** and **Scandic Byparken**. Both hotels are very close to the meeting venue (2-6 min walk). They will hold 40 rooms per hotel (so 80 in total) for the dates 20-24 April, 2026. To get the group rate, reservations need to be made by **20th February 2026**, with the Hotel discount code **BUIB200426**. Breakfast is included, but please check cancellation policy with the hotel.

Prices:

- 1) Scandic Ørnen, 40 rooms, NOK 1550 per room per night 1 person,
- 2) Scandic Byparken, 40 rooms, NOK 1460 per room per night 1 person;

Additional person in twin/double room + NOK 200; rates valid for 20-24 April, 2026. (If you are interested in cutting costs by sharing a room, you can indicate that on the conference registration page and we will share contact information between those interested, so you can self-organise.)

There are plenty of other hotel options in the city centre, find these at e.g., [booking.com](https://www.booking.com). We aim to release the conference program by 15th February 2026.

WORKSHOP DINNER

On Wednesday 21st April, we will organize a workshop dinner at the Bergen Aquarium (Akvariet i Bergen, Nordnesbakken 4, 5005 Bergen, ca. 25 min walking from the conference venue or ca. 4 min walking and 8 min by bus).

TRAVEL SUPPORT FOR INDIGENOUS PARTICIPANTS AND EARLY CAREER RESEARCHERS

We thank [Nortek](#) (a Norwegian manufacturer of oceanographic instruments) for sponsorship to cover travel costs for early career researchers and/or indigenous participants for up to 6 persons total to attend the meeting in person. (We define early career researchers as graduate students or postdocs within 3 years of obtaining their PhD.)

To apply for these funds, please email the following information to asof2026_planning@listserv.dfn.de by the registration deadline (15th January 2026).

Name:

Community or research institution:

If ECR, Career stage (including number of working years since PhD granted):

Presentation title:

Statement of why your experience/research contributes to the meeting (<100 words):

Statement of what difference receiving this funding would make to you (<100 words):

Requested Funding amount and justification:

Other relevant information:

