

COPENHAGEN – Open for You

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We say that Copenhagen is “Open for You”. This statement applies whether you are seeking experiences, business or a place to live...

Here are just a few examples of why Copenhagen is “Open”:

Open for Business

Copenhagen has one of the best business environments in the world. Factors such as high creditworthiness, low corporation tax, a strong balance between work and leisure, a global mindset, equality and a highly educated workforce combine to ensure good conditions for companies and investments.

Open for Visits

Copenhagen is a very tourist-friendly city. Residents’ English skills are significantly higher than in other major European cities, the city is easy to get around in, and there is something for everybody: Colourful Copenhagen features everything from Michelin restaurants, opera and jet-set night clubs to free museums, underground culture and film festivals.

Open for Living

Copenhagen is one of the world’s most comfortable and safe cities to live in. The quality of life is high and social inequality, crime and corruption are significantly lower than in most other large cities.

Open for Shopping

Copenhagen offers all the best in clothing, fashion, design and art. In addition to the good shopping opportunities in the city centre and surrounding boroughs, a host of fashion events and design fairs give Copenhagen the right to boast of being a true shopping Mecca.

Open for Events

Copenhagen is a popular city for holding large congresses, fashion shows, design and architecture fairs, as well as other cultural and sporting events. Copenhagen Fashion Week is held twice annually and in 2009 the city will host the World Outgames, the UN Climate Change Conference, COP15, and the International Olympic Committee (IOC) congress.

Open for Alternatives

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Broad-mindedness and tolerance are important values in Copenhagen, and the city has a long tradition of being an open and inclusive environment with room for all. For example, the free town of Christiania has been able to develop positively, to the enjoyment of more and more Copenhageners and tourists, who have made it Copenhagen's second most popular tourist attraction!

Open for Connections

Copenhagen features one of the world's most flexible and modern infrastructures. Copenhagen Airport serves as the Scandinavian hub of international air traffic, and it takes just 15 minutes to travel from the airport to the city centre with the Metro, which runs 24 hours a day. And the Oresund Bridge provides a cheap and quick connection to Sweden.

Open for Sustainability

Copenhagen aims to be a leading green city and has allocated DKK 150 million to climate related initiatives in 2008-2009 alone. These efforts have led to results: Copenhagen's harbour is now so clean that it is possible to swim in one of its many public swimming areas. In addition, windmills have been erected as a green alternative for the city's power supply.

Open for Innovation

Copenhagen is at the centre of Denmark's efforts to create one of the world's best environments for innovation and entrepreneurship. Significant growth and employment have been established in both Copenhagen and the Oresund region in industries such as Medico/biotech, food, logistics, design, and IT. Copenhagen is also home to a number of leading international educational institutions that cooperate closely with the business community – and which are also free!

Open for Dialogue

Freedom of expression and democracy are valued highly in Copenhagen and contribute to the city's unique social cohesion. Dialogue between all social groups – majorities and minorities – has long been high on the political agenda and has resulted in a high degree of tolerance and understanding in the city, e.g. in relation to Christiania, the immigrant community, homosexuals and various youth and sub-cultures.