

UN PEQUEÑO PASO PARA EL HOMBRE, UN GRAN PASO CONTRA EL CAMBIO CLIMÁTICO



FROM SPAIN TO DENMARK, AND TO THE ENTIRE WORLD

A group of 8 Spanish students visit a small city in Denmark, called Roskilde, to work together against climate change.

DAY ONE. We arrived at CPH airport, feeling excited to meet our Danish hosts. Even though it was really early, it was almost fully dark outside. Already enjoying the northern weather! Once we got to meet our families, they showed us around.

DAY TWO. Presentations day: each of the participating schools talk about what they do back home to fight against climate change. Afterwards, we were lucky enough to enjoy a lecture about wind turbines and we visited the DTU Campus to understand how the turbines worked. It was already 11 a.m., so, yes, it was time for lunch! Delicious aubergine sandwiches!! Later in the afternoon, we learnt about high tides in the harbour and the structures they had built to prevent flooding in the area. Once the academic part of the day was done, we went to warm

ourselves in a café while playing board games and getting to know each other a bit better. It was fun!

DAY THREE. We arrived early in the morning to CPH Square. There, we were divided into two groups, who would take a tour around the city. One of the activities was a talk in Concito, where we had the chance to learn about plastic use and how green some well-known corporations are. Then we took a walk around the canals, where they showed us the sea farms and the bike and pedestrian bridges. We then had lunch at Riz Raz, a vegetarian and vegan buffet. Next came the visit to the Conversion to a Viable Age Museum. There we learnt about bioclimatic architecture and other techniques to reduce CO2 emissions by 70%. A great discovery was the Amager Bakke, a recycling plant that only emits carbon dioxide and water vapour and which produced energy for a big part of the city. To show how clean the air around the plant was, the architect had also built a ski slope and a rock climbing wall that could be used while the plant was working. The long day was coming to an end, and we finished with a different dinner in Folkehuset Absalon, a church converted into a community house (*folkehuset*) that houses a bar and organizes various activities, including that evening dinner. We still had some energy left, and on our way back to Roskilde, we enjoyed the Christmas decorations along Nyhavn. It was time to head back to Roskilde Gymnasium, where we were delighted with a student's concert in the canteen.

DAY FOUR. This was our last workshop day, which started with interesting talks in the school. We learnt about non-violent activism and the Danish perspectives on climate change. We also had the chance to meet Christian Faber, who moved from being a LEGO campaign designer to being a climate change activist. With his video games, drawings and story-lines he aims to raise awareness of the issue. To round up the day, we went on a bike tour to learn about how water was collected to avoid flooding in the city. We also rode around the Musicon. We had our last vegetarian dinner and Dream Cake (a delicious typical Danish cake) in the Roskilde Gymnasium and we then played some games together as our last goodbye.

DAY FIVE. Our trip is over! We spent some hours sightseeing and shopping for souvenirs in Copenhagen and we had a peek of Tivoli. We tried the typical hot-dogs and sandwiches (while others enjoyed their classic Burger King...) and headed back to the airport. Our mums and dads were anxiously waiting for us to arrive at the school. We were exhausted so we were lucky to have the next Monday off to recharge.