

OIKOS conference excursion - Reykjanes tour

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Date: 5 March 2020

Departure from Harpa: 13:00

Duration: 6 hours

Price: 8.600

Included: Bus, guidance, lunch bag & refreshments at Aurora basecamp



Conference excursion

Reykjanes Peninsula. Shortly after the conference ends on March 5th, we will leave the Harpa Conference Hall at 13.00 and head for Reykjanes peninsula. We will drive along the sparsely populated north coast of peninsula and make a stop for bird watching. There, post-glacial lava has reached the sea, which is constantly eroding it away.

We continue to Sandgerði Research Centre, where the staff will show the centre and give us an insight into the research activity. From there we drive to Reykjanes Power Station and walk among hot springs and on to the shoreline, a volcanic crater from 1226.

From Sandgerði we will drive through Grindavík, a fishing town build on a 13th century lava, continue to Krisuvík, known for its geothermal activity and different volcano types, both recent and from the period of the Ice Age. At Krísuvík is Grænavatn – the Green Lake, known for its colour and low pH (2,6).

We will cross the Sveifluháls pass, a mountain ridge made of palagonite (formation under glacier) and end out excursion at the Aurora Basecamp, a northern light observatory. There, we will enjoy hot chocolate and Icelandic twisted donuts.

Arrive in Reykjavik at approx. 19:00