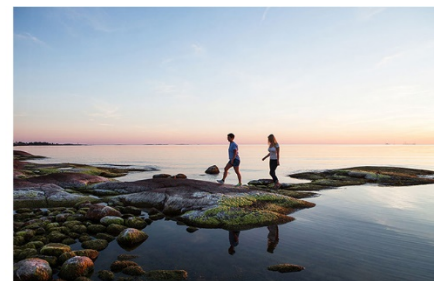


## Open Event: Invitation to a panel discussion

### ***Nordic experiences of territorial autonomy and their global relevance – Islands of the North: Faroes, Greenland and Åland***

14 June 2023 | 13.30 –16.00

Nordic Embassies, pan-nordic building Felleshus, Auditorium  
Rauchstr. 1, 10787 Berlin



The Nordic region and cooperation includes among its various tools of societal diversity and multilevel governance three island regions with high but varied forms of autonomy. What can we learn from these experiences so far? What is their global relevance in today's world?

13.30 Registration

14.00 Welcome – Opening  
**Anne Sipiläinen**, Ambassador of Finland to Germany

A word from the organisers: **Mikko Fritze** (Director Finland-Institut), and **Sia Spiliopoulou Åkermark** (Director The Åland Islands Peace Institute)

14.15 Panel discussion

**Participants:** **Maria Ackrén**, Dr, Associate professor of politics, University of Greenland (Nuuk, Denmark); **Alexander Osipov**, Dr in ethnology, affiliated with the International Centre for Ethnic and Linguistic Diversity Studies (Prague, Czech Republic); **Felix Schulte**, Dr, Senior Researcher at the European Centre for Minority Issues (Flensburg, Germany); and **Sia Spiliopoulou Åkermark**, Dr, Associate professor of international law, Director of the Åland Islands Peace Institute (Mariehamn, Finland).

Photos (left to right): Kollafjørður, Faroe Islands – Erik Christensen (Wikimedia Commons); Ilulissat, Greenland – Quintin Soloviev (Wikimedia Commons); Visit Åland – Tiina Tahvanainen

The panel shall be moderated by **Elisabeth Alber**, Dr, Senior researcher, Institute for Comparative Federalism, EURAC Research (Bolzano, South Tyrol/Italy) and Lecturer University of Innsbruck (Austria). After a conversation between the panel speakers, there shall be ample time for questions and discussions with the audience.

16.00–18.00 Reception

Ambassador Sipiläinen is pleased to invite you to a cocktail reception following the panel discussion at the Exhibition Hall, 1st floor.

Registration for the event is required by 11 June 2023. Please click [here](#)

## Welcome!

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