

Prinsesse Marie kom til klimakonference for lærere

ÅBNING: Prinsesse Marie kastede glans over åbningen af den ottende internationale lærerkonference, der for første gang finder sted i Danmark og helt naturligt fokuserer på klimaet.

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SØNDERBORG: Gletsjerne smelter, og vandstanden stiger, så hvad er mere naturligt end at sætte fokus på klimaet, når 100 undervisere fra hele Europa og Asien mødes til fælles konference på Comwell. Prinsesse Marie fra Schackenborg var med på ideen og arrangerede præcis kl. 9.00 i går for at åbne konferencen, der varer hele ugen og slutter med, at deltagerne præsenterer klimaprojekter, som de tager med hjem til brug i undervisningen.

– Vi drøfter klimaforandringerne og laver projekterne sammen på tværs af nationaliteter. Vi har fået penge af udviklingsministeriet, så det har været muligt at få deltagere med fra Mongoliet, Laos og Cambodia, fortæller den lokale initiativtager, skoleleder Karen Marie Hougaard, der selv var i Borneo sidste år og også regner med at tage til Indien næste år.

Oplagt repræsentant

Det var hendes idé at kontakte kongehuset med henblik på deltagelsen i åbningen af konferencen, og prin-



sesse Marie var en oplagt royal repræsentant. Hun har selv gået i internationale skoler, og klimaspørgsmålet ligger hende på sinde både som mor og officiel person i mange sammenhænge.

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redygtige energiformer, og som lærere og undervisere kan I vise vejen som forbilleder for jeres elever, sagde prinsesse Marie med et ønske om, at konferencen må bidrage til gensidig inspiration.

Hun blev hele formiddagen og hørte den kinesiske

professor Zhu Xianli, og professor Søren Breiting fra Aarhus Universitet fortælle om klimaforandringer og konkrete eksempler på, hvad vi kan gøre for at afværge dem.

Stor festivitas

De internationale konferen-

ce-deltagere fra 30 lande ankom mandag og var om aftenen til middag på Sønderborg Slot, hvor de blev budt velkommen af blandt andre undervisningsminister Bertel Haarder og borgmester Jan Prokopek Jensen. I dag besøger de Hørup Central-skole, Aلسundgymnasiet og



Prinsesse Marie roste initiativet med klimakonferencen for internationale undervisere og ønskede alle held og lykke med deres forehavende.

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Prinsesse Marie ankom præcist på klokkeslæt til Comwell, så dagens transport af vasketøj måtte skyndsomt fortrække fra indkørslen, da Krone 65 kom til syne.



11-årige Signe Brodersen Ochelka skulle overrække prinsessen blomster, men glemte midt i al virakken, at man holder buketten i venstre hånd og hilser med højre.

Danfoss Universe. I morgen dag præsenterer de deres fælles projekter, inden afskedsmiddagen og hjemrejsen fredag.

– Projekterne afvikles på alle 50 deltagende skoler i indeværende skoleår, fortæller Karen Marie Hougaard. Prinsesse Marie gav sig

god tid og lyttede interesseret til klimadrøftelserne, inden hun atter drog hjemover i Krone 65-bilen med chauffør og hofdame. Ved ankomsten måtte hun kort vente på en lastvogn, der var på vej ud af indkørslen med dagens last af vasketøj fra Comwell. Chaufføren valgte at køre

ud, netop som den royale vogn kørte ind gennem indkørslen. Han bakkede resolut op foran flagstandere, pressefotografer og røde løbere, så Krone 65 kunne svinge ind foran Comwell, mens han skyndsomt satte kursen mod vaskeriet.



Prinsesse Marie flankeret af direktør Dominique Girard og den danske generalsekretær Bodil Ullerup fra Asia-Europe Foundation.

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Formand for organisationen, Janos Blasszauer, skitserede programmet for konferencen og kom med et oplæg om, hvorfor klimaspørgsmålet er så vigtigt.

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Princess Marie attended climate conference for teachers

OPENING: Princess Marie gave luster to the opening of the eighth international teachers' conference, which for the first time takes place in Denmark and naturally focus on the climate.

By: Lise Kristensen

SØNDERBORG: The glaciers are melting and water levels are rising, so what is more natural than to focus on the climate when 100 teachers from all over Europe and Asia gathered for a conference at Comwell. Princess Marie from Schackenborg took part and arrived precisely at

9.00 o'clock yesterday to open the conference, which lasts a week and ends with participants presenting climate projects which they will take home to use in their teaching.

"We discuss the climate changes and create projects together irregardless of nationalities. We have received money from the Ministry of Development so it has been possible to welcome participants from Mongolia, Laos and Cambodia", says local coordinator, school principal Karen Marie Hougaard, who was in Borneo last year and also hopes on going to India next year.

An ideal representative

It was her idea to contact the royal family regarding their participation in the opening of the conference, and Princess Marie was the ideal royal representative. She herself has attended international schools and the climate question is near to her heart as a mother, as well as an official.

"We all have a part to play in relation to the climate changes and the use of sustainable energy resources, and as a teacher and educator you can show the way as a role model to your students", said Princess Marie, wishing that the conference would contribute to mutual inspiration. She stayed the whole morning and listened to Chinese Professor Zhu Xianli and Professor Søren Breiting from the University of Aarhus talk about climate change and give concrete examples on what we can do to prevent it.

Big festivity

The participants of the international conference were from 30 countries, and arrived Monday where, in the evening, they went to dinner at Sønderborg Castle. Here they were welcomed by Minister of Education Bertel Haarder and Mayor Jan Prokopek Jensen, among others. Today, they will visit Hørup Central School, Allsund High School and Danfoss Universe. Tomorrow, they will present their common projects before the farewell dinner and the journey home on Friday.

"The projects were done in the 50 participating schools during the current school year", says Karen Marie Hougaard.

Princess Marie spent time to listen with interest to the climate discussions before she set out for home in the Krone 65-car with her driver and lady-in-waiting. Upon her arrival, she shortly had to wait for a truck which was on its way down the driveway with the day's load of laundry from Comwell. The driver chose to leave as the royal car entered the driveway. He resolutely backed up in front of flagpoles, press photographers and the red carpet so that the Krone 65-car could drive in front of Comwell while he quickly hurried towards the laundry.

Quote:

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Caption for main photo:

Princess Marie praised the initiative with the climate conference for international teachers and wished everyone good luck in their enterprise.

Caption of photo of Princess Marie inside the car:

Princess Marie arrived punctually on the hour at Comwell so the day's laundry truck quickly had to be driven off the driveway as Krone 65 appeared.

Under the picture of Princess Marie being handed flowers:

11-year old Signe Brodersen Ochelka was handing over flowers to the princess, but forgot in all the fuss that you hold the bouquet in your left hand and greet with your right.

Under the picture of Princess Marie, Dominique Girard etc.:

Princess Marie flanked by Executive Director Dominique Girard and Danish secretary general Bodil Ullerup of the Asia-Europe Foundation. **(Note: Ms Bodil Ullerup is the Secretary General of the Danish National Commission of UNESCO, and not of ASEF)**

Under the picture of Janos:

Chairman of the organization, Janos Blasszauer, outlined the programme for the conference and made an introductory presentation of why the climate question is so important.