



**DENMARK**  
United Nations  
Security Council  
2025-2026

**Equality | Security | Action**



Denmark is running for a seat on the  
UN Security Council in 2025-2026

We last held a seat in 2005-2006  
We are ready to serve again

If elected, we will work constructively with  
fellow Member States. Our cross-cutting and  
thematic priorities will be

International Law and a more Accountable,  
Effective and Representative Security Council

Conflict  
Responses and  
Prevention  
fit for New  
Realities

Climate,  
Peace and  
Security

Women,  
Peace and  
Security

We hope we can count on your support!

## **STANDING UP FOR INTERNATIONAL LAW, INCLUDING INTERNATIONAL HUMANITARIAN LAW**

## **PUSHING FOR A MORE ACCOUNTABLE, EFFECTIVE AND REPRESENTATIVE SECURITY COUNCIL**

The United Nations Security Council is essential to maintaining international peace and security. As a member of the Security Council, Denmark will work constructively and in a principled manner with fellow Member States to ensure that the Security Council delivers on the aspirations of the UN Charter and fulfils its vital mandate. The world needs a Security Council that is willing and able to address the multiple crises and conflicts that threaten our collective security. Respect for common rules is indispensable to the cause of peace. It is the foundation for a world in which might does not make right.

As a member of the Security Council, Denmark will work consistently across the range of issues on the Security Council agenda to defend international law, including international humanitarian and human rights law. Wherever relevant, we will do so with a special focus on the protection of civilians and humanitarian access and advancing accountability for violations.

As a member of the Security Council, Denmark will seek to make the Security Council's working methods more transparent and inclusive. The world deserves a more representative Security Council that reflects the global diversity of the 21st century and responds to the concerns of people around the world. As momentum for fundamental reforms of the Security Council is growing, Denmark will work to strengthen the Security Council's interactions with the wider UN membership and relevant UN organs.

# ADAPTING CONFLICT RESPONSES AND PREVENTION TO NEW REALITIES

For more than 75 years, UN peace operations have been remarkable expressions of multilateralism and international solidarity in action. At their best, they have protected civilians, advanced political solutions and assisted wartorn societies in rebuilding a stable future. Conditions, however, are changing rapidly.

Conflict dynamics are becoming more complex. Global power relations are shifting. The need for expanding and updating the toolbox of the Security Council is clear, as also pointed out by the Secretary-General in his New Agenda for Peace.

As a member of the Security Council, Denmark will work to strengthen peace operations, partnerships and transitions. We will support African Union and subregional peace support operations. And we will strive to ensure that the Security Council meets the present challenges to peace and security in a manner that prioritizes prevention and addresses the underlying causes of conflict.

## ADDRESSING THE EFFECTS OF CLIMATE CHANGE ON PEACE AND SECURITY

Across the globe, the adverse effects of climate change are becoming increasingly clear. Whether manifested in extreme weather patterns - floods, droughts, heatwaves, forest fires, storms and cyclones – or by slow-onset events such as the rise of sea levels, it impacts every aspect of human life, including peace and security. For some UN Member States, climate change constitutes a direct existential threat. For others, it is a risk-multiplier, placing vulnerable communities under even further stress and intensifying conflicts over scarce resources.

As a member of the Security Council, Denmark will push to advance a comprehensive, evidence-based, understanding of the linkages between climate, peace and security. In close partnership with fellow members on the Security Council, Denmark will work to ensure that the Security Council addresses climate-related security risks in country contexts.

# IMPLEMENTING THE WOMEN, PEACE AND SECURITY AGENDA

It has been almost 25 years since the Security Council recognized women's rights as integral to achieving lasting peace. Since then, Women, Peace and Security has become a key component in the work of the Security Council. A robust normative framework has been formulated and progress has been achieved on the ground.

Much, however, remains to be done to secure the full, equal, meaningful – and safe - participation of women in peace and security.

As a member of the Security Council, Denmark will work to close the persistent gap between rhetoric and reality. Working closely with fellow Member States and other stakeholders, we will seek to translate the Women, Peace and Security principles into Security Council practice.





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