

# Nordic Diplomacy & Defense: Key Summits, Arctic Security, and Transatlantic

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**1. In 2025, the Kingdom of Denmark assumes the Chairship of the Arctic Council from Norway. What are the five overarching priorities for Denmark's Chairship?**

**A) Indigenous Peoples and Communities in the Arctic; Sustainable Economic Development and Energy Transition Solutions; Oceans; Arctic Climate Change; Biodiversity**

B) Maritime Security; Renewable Energy; Digitalization; Arctic Governance; Indigenous Rights

C) Climate Adaptation; Sustainable Fisheries; Arctic Shipping Routes; Geopolitical Stability; Cultural Heritage

D) Arctic Research; Disaster Preparedness; Non-Proliferation; Transatlantic Cooperation; Arctic Tourism

**2. The 77th Session of the Nordic Council is scheduled to take place in Stockholm from October 27-30, 2025, hosted by Sweden. Which significant EU figure is confirmed to attend and address the session?**

**A) Ursula von der Leyen, President of the European Commission**

B) Charles Michel, President of the European Council

C) Josep Borrell, High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy

D) Kristalina Georgieva, Managing Director of the IMF

**3. A revised Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) for NORDEFECO was signed in Rovaniemi on May 6, 2025. What is a key stated goal of this renewed agreement?**

**A) To strengthen deterrence and defense in the Nordic region, promote common strategic understanding, and enable coordinated military operations.**

B) To exclusively focus on joint procurement of advanced military hardware.

C) To establish a unified Nordic military command structure independent of NATO.

D) To phase out cooperation with NATO and focus solely on EU defense initiatives.

**4. The International Baltic Security Summit in Łódź is an annual forum. Which foundation, focused on Nordic issues, is a co-organizer of this summit?**

**A) The Nordic Institute Foundation**

B) The Nordic Council of Ministers Secretariat

C) The Swedish Institute for International Affairs

D) The Arctic Centre, University of Lapland

**5. As of late 2024, the US introduced new tariffs on a range of European products. Which Nordic country's exports to the US are projected to fall by approximately 10% in 2025 due to these measures?**

**A) Sweden**

- B) Finland
- C) Norway
- D) Iceland

**6. The Nordic Council's 76th annual session in Reykjavik (October 28-31, 2024) had a main theme of 'Peace and Security in the Arctic'. Who were among the invited guest speakers?**

**A) Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelenskyy and Belarusian democratic movement leader Svetlana Tsikhanouskaya**

- B) NATO Secretary General Jens Stoltenberg and US Secretary of Defense Lloyd Austin
- C) UN Secretary-General António Guterres and the Prime Minister of Canada
- D) King of Norway Harald V and the President of the European Commission Ursula von der Leyen

**7. In May 2025, Nordic energy ministers issued a joint statement focusing on strengthening cooperation. Which country's government has taken a notable initiative in engaging with other Nordic countries on this matter?**

**A) Norway**

- B) Denmark
- C) Finland
- D) Sweden

**8. The 'Nordic Initiative for a Diplomatic Accord in Israel and Palestine' is set to launch in Edinburgh in September 2025. Which former Nordic foreign minister is listed as a participant?**

**A) Ann Linde (Sweden)**

- B) Pekka Haavisto (Finland)
- C) Jeppe Kofod (Denmark)
- D) Gunnar Bragi Sveinsson (Iceland)

**9. Norway's chairship of the Arctic Council (2023-2025) concluded on May 12, 2025, at the 14th ministerial meeting. What was a key milestone achieved during Norway's chairship regarding the Council's work?**

**A) Securing agreement to resume scientific work through written procedure and the gradual return of virtual Working Group meetings.**

- B) Successfully negotiating a comprehensive Arctic climate change mitigation treaty.
- C) Establishing a permanent Arctic Council headquarters in Tromsø.
- D) Formalizing a joint military defense pact among all Arctic states.

**10. The 2025 Session of the Nordic Council, hosted by Sweden, will include a meeting with the President of the European Commission. What is a key agenda item for this meeting?**

**A) Nordic supply preparedness, and Nordic and European competitiveness**

B) Harmonization of foreign policy towards Russia

C) Joint space exploration initiatives

D) A unified Nordic approach to digital currency regulation