
The decline of wild
Atlantic salmon is a signal
from our living waters.
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The signals call us together.

Not because salmon is the whole story.

Because it reveals the whole system.

The signals are becoming harder to ignore.

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From rivers to fjords.

From coasts to the North Atlantic.

Every place shapes the next.

Every decision does too.

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But we still see the system differently.

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The water system is the same. What we see is not.

SALAR 2027 is where different views of the same system meet.



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Where perspectives change.

Mandal, Norway
28–29 May 2027

You arrive with your
own perspective.
So does everyone else.

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Every perspective
reveals something.
None reveals the whole.

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SALAR Conversations



Friday 28 May, 2027
Buen kulturhus
08:30-17:00

SALAR Conversations make space for perspectives to be heard, explored and challenged.

SALAR Open houses



Friday 28 May, 2027
Venues across Mandal, Norway
19:30 - 24:00

SALAR Open Houses give organisations and communities space to shape their own conversations .

SALAR Field Day Trip



Saturday 29May, 2027
From the ocean to the river
08:30 - 16:00

SALAR Field Day Trip takes the questions into the river, to a place, a history and visible consequences.

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Open to the public / Free admission

Four young women. One river. A future in question.

Friday 28 May
Buen Kino
18:30- 20:00

Award-winning Icelandic documentary by Gagga Jónsdóttir, following four young women whose lives, families and futures are tied to the Laxá River and wild salmon.

Winner of Best New Director and the Spirit Award for Feature Documentary at Brooklyn Film Festival.



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Politics & Governance House

Who decides what the water system becomes? How do governments balance nature, energy, aquaculture, fisheries and economic interests across one connected water system?

Fireside chats

Nature & political responsibility
Sigrun Aasland, Norway's Minister of Climate and Environment

Energy, rivers & trade-offs
Marte Haabeth Grindaker, State Secretary, Ministry of Energy

Fisheries & Aquacuture
Even Trondstad Sagebakken, State Secretary, Ministry of Industry, Commerce and Fisheries

Different mandates. Shared responsibility. The same water.



Venue, SMOI, Mandal

Hosted by Agder County Council

Friday 28 May 2027
Dinner for delegates at 18:00
Public doors open 19:30
Conversations until 21:00

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The system has not changed. What you see may have.

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