

Declaration on the occasion of the meeting of the Nordic Prime Ministers and Heads of Government in Stockholm 28 October

The Nordic region is historically, culturally and economically interconnected. We share a common set of values based on democracy, gender equality, and respect for human rights and the rule of law. We are staunch defenders of the rules-based international order. The closeness between our peoples, direct contacts between our citizens and active civil society organisations form the basis for Nordic cooperation. With the Nordic Prime Ministers' Vision 2030 as a guiding light, our goal is for the Nordic Region to become the most sustainable and integrated region in the world.

The current situation also requires action here in the Nordic countries. We need to step up our Nordic cooperation in order to develop our preparedness. We must stand up for each other and against injustices in the world around us. In the Nordic Region, and in Europe as a whole, we need a more forward-thinking approach if we are to truly strengthen our competitiveness. We need even more focused measures to safeguard the trust that is a cornerstone in building a successful and prosperous Nordic Region. Together, we can take big steps forward.