

# Icelandic Economic Council

Minutes of the 9<sup>th</sup> extraordinary meeting held at the Minister's Residence,  
Tuesday, November 7<sup>th</sup> 2023, from 14:00-16:00

## **Attendees:**

### Icelandic Economic Council:

Katrín Jakobsdóttir, Prime Minister of Iceland  
Bjarni Benediktsson, Minister of Foreign Affairs  
Sigurður Ingi Jóhannsson, Minister of Infrastructure  
Ásgeir Jónsson, Governor of the Central Bank of Iceland  
Heiða Björg Hilmisdóttir, Chairman of the Association of Local Authorities in Iceland  
Sigríður Margrét Oddsdóttir, Director General of the Confederation of Icelandic Enterprise  
Finnbjörn A. Hermannsson, President of the Icelandic Confederation of Labour  
Sonja Ýr Þorbergsdóttir, President of the Federation of Public Worker Unions  
Magnús Þór Jónsson, President of the Icelandic Teacher's Union  
Kolbrún Halldórsdóttir, President of the Association of Academics

### Other attendees:

Guðmundur Ingi Guðbrandsson, Minister of Social Affairs and the Labour Market  
Daníel Svavarsson, Henny Hinz and Sigrún Ólafsdóttir (Prime Minister's Office)  
Hermann Sæmundsson and Ingveldur Sæmundsdóttir (Ministry of Infrastructure)  
Tómas Brynjólfsson (Ministry of Finance)  
Arnar Þór Sævarsson and Helgi Aðalsteinsson (The Association of Local Authorities in Iceland)  
Rannveig Sigurðardóttir (Central Bank of Iceland)  
Róbert Farestveit (Icelandic Confederation of Labour)  
Sigríður Ingibjörg Ingadóttir (Federation of Public Worker Unions)  
Vilhjálmur Hilmarsson (Association of Academics)  
Anna Hrefna Ingimundardóttir (Confederation of Icelandic Enterprise)  
Hermann Jónasson, Björn Traustason, Sigurður Hannesson and Jóhanna Klara Stefánsdóttir (guests under item 2)

## Agenda item 1

### **Prime Minister's opening words**

## Agenda item 2

### **Housing issues**

Sigurður Ingi Jóhannsson Minister of Infrastructure and Hermann Jónasson Chairman of the Housing and Construction Authority presented slides on the housing market.

Arnar Þór Sævarsson Director of the Association of Local Authorities in Iceland presented slides on the housing plans of local authorities.

Björn Traustason Director of Bjarð presented a memo on the housing and rental market.

Sigurður Hannesson Director of the Federation of Icelandic Industries presented slides on the housing market.

Discussions.

Agenda item 3

**Prime Minister's closing words**