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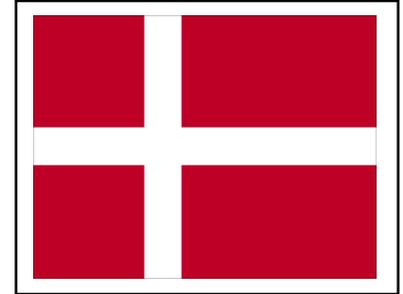
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About Consul Laursen

Consul Laursen was appointed Honorary Danish Consul to the State of Washington August 24, 1993. He serves jointly with Vice Consul Kirsten Vilholm, R.

Mr. Laursen is a biopharmaceutical development and operational professional with more than twenty years of drug development, project management and manufacturing /operational experience in pharmaceutical and biotechnology companies in North America and Europe. Mr. Laursen received his MS in Biochemical Engineering from the Technical University of Denmark.



Mr. Laursen has been involved several biopharmaceutical companies and organizations in the Northwest, including 5 years as vice president of business with CMC Biologics in Seattle. Mr. Laursen has most recently formed a Northwest Biopharmaceutical Consulting group.

About (the country)

Location: Northern Europe, bordering the Baltic Sea and the North Sea, on a peninsula north of Germany; also includes several major islands (Sjælland, Fyn, and Bornholm)

Language: Danish, English

Size: 43,094 sq km, slightly less than twice the size of Massachusetts

Population: 5,556,452

Economy: The Danish economy is characterized by extensive government welfare measures and an equitable distribution of income. Denmark is a net exporter of food and energy and enjoys a comfortable balance of payments surplus, but depends on imports of raw materials for the manufacturing sector.