



Introduction

The Scandinavian School of Brewing – Copenhagen: History and ownership

The Scandinavian School of Brewing (SSB) was founded in 1925 by the Danish Brewers' Association, the Norwegian Brewers' Association and the Swedish Brewers' Association jointly. In 1993 the Finnish Brewers' Association became a co-owner.

The SSB is a private and independent institution located in Copenhagen. It is today owned by the four Nordic Brewers' Associations, who jointly manage the SSB.

The Board of the Scandinavian School of Brewing consists of members from Denmark, Norway, Sweden and Finland. The board members are appointed by the respective Brewers' Associations and thus reflect the ownership.

The Brewing School has a permanent academic staff (a director, a training manager and a secretary), but the real strength of the school is its fortune to be able to draw on a further staff of more than 55 external lecturers, who combine a theoretical knowledge of brewing science with the practical experience of a Master Brewer. The teachers come from the industry, the Carlsberg Group, Royal Unibrew, Universities, other breweries, consultancy companies, suppliers and institutions throughout Scandinavia, the United Kingdom and the rest of Europe.

The original and main purpose of the school was to set up and implement the syllabus which leads to the Diploma for Master Brewers. Over the years, however, a number of additional and related activities have been undertaken. These include a one week Brewing course, Diploma Brewer (Diplombrygger), a new Executive in Beverage Industry Supply Chains and Professional Updates, which are short and targetted courses for the breweries technical managers. In addition, the school also teaches tailor-made courses as well as brewery consultancy for individual breweries, soft drinks plants and malting plants.

International: Origin of students

Today the Scandinavian School of Brewing operates internationally, as it accepts qualified students from outside the Nordic countries.

685 Master Brewers have since 1925 obtained their Diploma from the Scandinavian School of Brewing. Beyond the Nordic countries, the students came from Azerbadjan, Canada, China, Denmark, Estonia, Hungary, Iceland, Israel, Italy, Kazakhstan, Latvia, Lebanon, Lithuania, Malawi, Malaysia, Mexico, Nepal, Norway, Paraguay, Russia, Spain, Sri Lanka, South Korea, Sweden, Thailand, Turkey, Ukraine, United Kingdom and Vietnam.