

Icelandic Economic Council

Minutes of the 6th meeting, held online,
April 8, 2020, from 13 to 14:30.

Attendees

Icelandic Economic Council:

Katrín Jakobsdóttir, Prime Minister of Iceland

Bjarni Benediktsson, Minister of Finance and Economic Affairs

Sigurður Ingi Jóhannsson, Minister of Infrastructure

Aldís Hafsteinsdóttir, Chairman of the Association of Local Authorities in Iceland

Ásgeir Jónsson, Governor of the Central Bank of Iceland

Halldór Benjamin Þorbergsson, Director General of the Confederation of Icelandic Enterprise

Drífa Snædal, President of the Icelandic Confederation of Labour

Sonja Ýr Þorbergsdóttir, President of the Federation of Public Worker Unions

Þórunn Sveinbjarnardóttir, President of the Association of Academics

Ragnar Þór Pétursson, President of the Icelandic Teachers' Union

Other attendees:

Bryndís Hlökkversdóttir and Hermann Sæmundsson (Prime Minister's Office)

Agenda item 1

Assessment of the economic and social situation and the challenges we face.

Gylfi Zoega - The Covid economic crisis from an Icelandic standpoint. What should be done next? What challenges will we face next fall?

Edda Rós Karlsdóttir - The global economic crisis. Where is it going?

Hjálmar Gíslason - How does the economy come out of the crisis? Where do opportunities lie and how to pursue them?

Kolbeinn Stefánsson - What is the best way to support social stability in a deep economic crisis?

After the presentations, a discussion ensued in the Icelandic Economic Council about the state of affairs.