Human Dignity and Humiliation Studies



Breaking the cycle of humiliation

11th Annual Conference of Human Dignity and Humiliation Studies (HumanDHS) in Norway, June 2008 as part of the Wergeland Year for Human Dignity - dedicated to the memory of Don Klein -

Practical Details

We want to start our conference in Oslo, and then go on the famous post-ship trip all along the Norwegian fjords and mountains! Please sign up NOW! We have reserved cabins on especially wonderful MS Finnmarken! We have all conference facilities also on board! Bring spouses, partners, and friends to this conference!

Please arrange for ship and train with dear Salman (salman.turken[@]psykologi.uio.no) and Kjell (kjell.muller.skyllstad[@]broadpark.no), and for housing in Oslo with dear Maria (maria.rosvoll[@]hlsenteret.no)!

Thanks most enthusiastically, dear Salman, Kjell, and Maria, for your wonderful support! We will have Open Space parallel sessions, and you are most welcome to send us your suggestions for sessions!

• There are no obligatory conference fees, however, any contribution from your side will be greatly appreciated! (We have a number of participants from less privileged world regions, who need our support!)

Overall cost:

There is no total overall price for our conference, because everything depends on your decisions as to how long you wish to stay in Oslo, for example, and whether you will join us on the ship. If you join us on the ship, the conference will be rather costly for you, otherwise, you can minimise cost by only participating in the Oslo-part of our conference, particularly, if you have friends in Oslo, where you could stay. You would have to cover yourself the cost of your travels (your flight tickets to Oslo from whereever you come from, and back from Trondheim to whereever you may wish to proceed), for your housing in Oslo, and in Bergen, and the Hurtigruta ship.

Currency conversionTrains in Norway: NSB

• Airplanes in Norway: SAS and Norwegian (inexpensive)

• For those who arrive at Oslo airport, the best way to come to Oslo is by train to the central train "station Oslo S" (every 10 minutes to Oslo).

By the way, don't miss the most spectacular jewel in Scandinavia architecture rivaling Sidney - the new Norwegian Opera!

- Those of you, who stay in MS Innvik, see map, this is close to the central train station "Oslo S." Just cross the bridge from the central station over the highway, and passing the new Opera turn right. The boat is in plain sight facing the Opera. We gather in the evenings at Innvik.
- Those living at Rica Bygdøy, see map, please get a taxi at the central train station right by the bridge.

• 23rd June:

Take time to visit the Folk Museum and Vikingships on Bygdøy, in the afternoon, and let us end the day at the fjord for a welcoming Midsummer Eve Party. In this way participants have a chance of getting settled and meet each other for the first time in a relaxed atmosphere!

We gather for a Norwegian Midsummer Night celebration at the Folk Museum on Bygdøy at 17.00 (5 p.m), take bus no. 30 or ferry boat no. 91 from the Town Hall Pier (find information about public transportation in the Oslo area at Trafikanten, just outside Oslo Central Station, or at http://www.trafikanten.no/; bus no. 30 has temporarily a new route near Oslo Central Station, due to building works). There will be a traditional symbolic children's wedding with horse carriages and fiddlers, music and dancing and people will bring food baskets for an evening of barbecue. At 22.00 (10 p.m.) we can follow the crowd for a walk to the fjord to watch the countless bonfires. At night remember to gather 7 herbs or 5 flowers to put under your pillow and you will dream about your love!

• 24th June:

The programme of this day, "Wergelands Heritage" is arranged by the HL Centre. In the morning we check in at the Holocaust Centre (HL Centre). Here is a map where you see the location of the venue of our conference, the Holocaust Centre (postal address HLsenteret/Holocaust Centre, Postboks 1168 Blindern, N- 0318 Oslo, Telefon: +47 22 84 21 00, Fax: +47 22 84 21 01, visiting address Villa Grande, Huk Aveny 56, Oslo-Bygdøy). Bus no. 30 goes to the Holocaust Centre (find information about public transportation in the Oslo area at Trafikanten, just outside Oslo Central Station, or at http://www.trafikanten.no/; bus no. 30 has temporarily a new route near Oslo Central Station, due to building works). Ask the driver where to get off. At check-in participants can pick up information about the HL Centre and useful material on Oslo sights. Technical facilities are available for speakers as well as internet facilities for the use of

participants.

For a romantic evening dinner at Bygdøy, continue with the No. 30 bus. There is a first class restaurant at Hukodden beach (the former bathhouse of Quisling) (reservation Tel. 22 43 74 62).

Or, there is the possibility of experiencing a children's opera performance at our new Opera at 18.00 or 19.30 hours (Peter Maxwell Davies: *The Great Bank Robbery*). The performers are all children from schools of music in the Oslo area.

• 25th June:

We have a joint HumanDHS and HL Centre programme at the Holocaust Centre open to the public, including lectures on the main themes of the conference. Technical facilities are available for speakers as well as internet facilities for the use of participants.

• 26th-27th June:

HumanDHS Conference at the HL Centre (with Open Space and a Special Session on Environmental Psychology).

• 28th June:

We move our conference from Oslo to Bergen. For the transition from Oslo to Bergen we booked the Norway in a Nutshell tour. Departure for this tour is from Oslo central train station at 8.15 (8.15 a.m.) in the morning of 28th June. Please show up in good time! Arrival in Bergen 20.34 in the evening.

We end that evening in the beautiful city of Bergen where we will stay overnight, experiencing the old Hansa city in the morning, before proceeding to our working lunch. Sightseeing in Bergen on 29th June includes the medieval monuments like the King's ceremonial hall Håkonshallen, Edvard Grieg's Home Trollhaugen, the famous Fish Market and the UNESCO protected Bryggen.

• 29th June:

Sightseeing in Bergen. At 13.00 (1 p.m.) we take the funicular to reach the Fløyen restaurant overlooking Bergen for a lunch meeting with colleagues from Chr. Michelsens Institute and the Department of Psychology at the University of Bergen. Kjell has ordered Bergen Fish soup with bread and butter for us, as much as we can eat, at 155 NOK! In the evening, we embark on the northbound coastal steamer Hurtigruten. Boarding time is at least one hour before departure, which is scheduled at 20.00 (8.00 p.m.) on 29th June.

(Tickets for the follow-up conference tour Oslo-Bergen-Trondheim will or have already been sent by e-mail to those who have registered and paid - places are still available).

• 29th June - 1st July:

Post-ship Hurtigruten or Norwegian Coastal Voyage: Hurtigruten departure from Bergen Harbour at 20.00 in the evening of 29th June, arrival in Trondheim 8.15 in the morning on 1st July.

We have reserved cabins on wonderful MS Finnmarken! Places are still available!

Dear Salman (salman.turken[@]psykologi.uio.no) will give you your cabin! Here are approximate prices: single room 7395 NOK (ca 1345 USD), double room 6170 NOK (ca 1122 USD). Dear Salman made arrangements with Hurtigruten that everyone will be able pay individually (when in Oslo, please remember to give Salman 900 NOK that we paid in advance for each of us as a deposit; we could not convince Hurtigruten to include these 900 NOK in your bill at once). This amount includes almost everthing happening between 29th June and 1st July (tour with train and boat trip from Oslo to Bergen, one night accomodation in Bergen breakfast included. Two nights on Hurtigruten with all meals included).

So, what you would need to do in addition is to book your flight tickets to Oslo from whereever you are and back from Trondheim to whereever you will travel (see further down).

• Our on-Board Programme:

- 29th June: 20.15: Dinner; 21.00 22.00: First Session, in the Midnight Sun
- 30th June: 8.00: Breakfast; 9.00: Second Session; 11.00: Coffee Pause; 11.15 13.00: Third Session (small group discussions in the conference center or on deck as we pass into the Geiranger Fiord); 13.00: Lunch; 13.30: Enjoying the cruise on the Geiranger fiord, the most spectacular scenery of Norway; 20.15: Dinner; 21.00 23.00 Fourth Session, in the Midnight Sun
- 30th June: 8.00: Breakfast; 9.00: Our meeting starts (we continue with Open Space); 11.00: Coffee Pause; 13.00: Lunch; 15.00: Coffee Pause; 17.00: End of our meeting; 20.15: Dinner
- 1st July: 9.00: Breakfast; 13.00: restaurant Grenaderen in Trondheim; we return to Oslo by train or plane
- For those who will not join us on Hurtigruten: You can also follow the midnight sun on your own with Norwegian airlines to Longyearbyen, Svalbard, on 29th June, and return on 4th July for NOK 1200 (225 USD). (Norwegian offers other inexpensive flights within Norway and to a number of European destinations).
- Arriving in Trondheim by Hurtigruten: Dear Hildegunn Nordtug very kindly offers her help; in case you have questions, she welcomes you to contact her at nordtug[@]stud.ntnu.no. She kindly reserved a table for us on 1st July at 13.00 in the restaurant Grenaderen.
- Hildegunn gives us this general information: "From where the Coastal Steamer arrives Trondheim, there is approximately a 15 minutes walk to the city centre. One can also take a bus which cost 30 NOK and takes only a few minutes. Get of the bus at the street 'Munkegata.' This is the bus junction. Here you can see the great cathedral which could be the starting point of the sightseeing tour.
- Alternatively: Get off the bus at the train station, where it is possible to lock in your luggage. Here one can walk over the bridge, up the street 'Søndre gate' to where Søndre gate crosses 'Olav Tryggvasons gate'. Here lies the café 'Dromedar' that serves the best coffee in Trondheim. It opens at 07:00 in the morning, and thus suits the program well. The cathedral is only a few minutes away."

- Leaving Trondheim by train or plane: From the train station (where you may have left your luggage) there are three possible ways to get to Oslo: by train, aircraft, or bus.
- Train: Prices are from approximately 300 NOK to 800 NOK. There are about four departures to Oslo each day.
- Air: From the train station you can take the airport bus to the airport. This bus goes frequently (and also from lots of other places in the city, if you have your luggage with you). The bus cost sabout 80 NOK. The cheapest airline company is Norwegian. A good flight departs at 17.45 to Oslo (low price now at 410 NOK; Evelin has seat 23F, Linda and Rick 23D and 23E, sit near us!).
- Bus: From the train station it is also possible to go by bus to Oslo. Check out the low-price company lavprisekspressen.no. If you order in good time, the prices are as low as 50 NOK.