

# Human Dignity and Humiliation Studies



**HumanDHS**

*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 -**

- **23rd June 2008: Midsummer Eve Party**
- **24th June 2008: "Wergeland's Heritage," Organised by the Centre for Studies of Holocaust and Religious Minorities in Oslo**
- **25th June: Public Event, HumanDHS in Cooperation with the Holocaust Centre**
- **26th + 27th June: HumanDHS Conference in Oslo (with Open Space and a Special Session on Environmental Psychology)**
- **28th-29th June: HumanDHS Conference in Cooperation with the Chr. Michelsens Institute in Bergen (Norway in the Nutshell)**
- **29th June - 1st July: HumanDHS Conference on Northbound Hurtigruten (Coastal Steamer) from Bergen to Trondheim**

### **Hosts and Conveners**

- Professor Odd-Bjørn Fure, Director of the Centre for Studies of Holocaust and Religious Minorities (HL-Senteret), Oslo, Norway
- Kjell Skjellstad, Professor Emeritus at the Department of Musicology (Institutt for musikkvitenskap) at the University of Oslo, Norway
- Maria Rosvoll, Historian and Consultant at the HL-Senter
- Einar Strumse, Dr. philos., Associate Professor, and head of the psychology programme at the Lillehammer University College (LUC) in Norway
- Salman Türken, Lecturer in social psychology at the University of Oslo
- Linda Hartling, Ph.D., Associate Director of the Jean Baker Miller Training Institute, Wellesley College, Boston, USA
- Ashraf Salama, Professor of Architecture in the Architectural Engineering Program of Qatar University in Doha
- Evelin Gerda Lindner, M.D., Ph.D. (Dr. med.), Ph.D. (Dr. psychol.), Social Scientist, Founding Director and President of Human Dignity and Humiliation Studies (HumanDHS)

## Programme

### Monday, 23rd June 2008: Midsummer Eve Party

We gather for a Norwegian Midsummer Night celebration at the Folk Museum on Bygdøy at 17.00 (5 p.m) (Bus no. 30 or ferry boat no. 91 from the Town Hall Pier).

### Tuesday, 24th June 2008: Day One, Registration, and Celebrating "Wergeland's Heritage," Organised by Odd-Bjørn Fure and Maria Rosvoll, Centre for Studies of Holocaust and Religious Minorities in Oslo

Bus no. 30 goes to the Holocaust Centre. Please ask the driver where to get off.

There is a restaurant with in- and outside garden facilities right at the HL Centre for lunch and intermission snacks. Technical facilities are available for speakers as well as internet facilities for the use of participants.

- **09.00 -10.00: Registration**
- **Moderator/host: Peder Nustad, Head of Education, HL-Centre**
- **11.00 - 12.00: Anton Weiss-Wendt, Head of Research, HL-Centre, presents *Comparative Genocide Studies: Failures and Achievements***
- **12.00 – 13.00 Lunch**
- **13.00 - 14.00: Claudia Lenz, Senior Researcher, HL-Centre, presents “*German Maids*”. *The Silenced Memories of the Sexualized Other in Postwar-Norway***
- **14.00: Sightseeing tour of Bygdøy, with the Vikingship and Kontiki museums for those interested**

### Wednesday, 25th June 2008: Day Two, Public HumanDHS Day in Cooperation with the Centre for Studies of Holocaust and Religious Minorities

- **09.00 -10.00: Registration and welcome**
- **10.00 - 10.15: Inga Bostad, Viserektor (Vice Rector), welcomes all participants to the University of Oslo**
- **10.15 - 10.30: Einar Solbu, Prosjektleder for “Wergeland 2008,” welcomes all to the Wergeland Year**
- **10.30 - 11.00: Odd-Bjørn Fure, Director, welcomes all participants to the Centre for Studies of Holocaust and Religious Minorities**
- **11.00 - 11.15: Trio Mediaeval members Linn Andrea Fuglseth and Anna Maria Friman sing**
- **11.15 - 12.00: Guided Tour through the Permanent Exhibition at the Holocaust Centre**
- **12.00 - 13.00: Evelin Lindner, Founding Director of the Human Dignity and Humiliation Studies Network, welcomes all participants**

- **13.00 - 14.00: Lunch**
- **14.00 - 14.15: Kjell Skjellstad, welcomes all participants to Norway with an *Introduction to Henrik Wergeland - 1808-2008***
- **14.15 - 14.45: Dagne Groven Myhren introduces all participants to the work of Henrik Wergeland with her talk *The Power of Poetry: Henrik Wergeland, His Times and Works***
- **15.00 - 15.30: Birgit Brock-Utne & Finn Tschudi introduce the participants to a larger conceptual space with their talk "*Connecting the Dots*": *Ubuntu, Wergeland, and Equal Worth and Dignity***
- **15.30 - 17.00: The audience is invited to discuss the role and significance of Dignity and Humiliation with Odd-Bjørn Fure, David Held, Bernt Hagtvet, Geir Thomas Hylland Eriksen, Hroar Klempe, Birgit Brock-Utne, Finn Tschudi, Kjell Skjellstad, Evelin Lindner**
- **17.00 - 17.30: Wrapping up Day Two**
- **18.00: Dinner at the Holocaust Centre**
- **Special Meeting of our Dignity and Humiliation Mapping Team**

**Thursday, 26th June 2008: Day Three, HumanDHS Conference with Participants Who Have Signed Up**

- **10.00 - 11.00: Linda Hartling welcomes all participants and sets the frame of our conference of "waging good conflict" (Jean Baker Miller's coinage)**
- **Rangini (the singer and musician name of Ragnhild S. Nilsen ) accompanies us part of the days with her beautiful songs and musical expressions**
- **11.00 - 12.30: Kjell Skjellstad & Finn Tschudi welcome all participants to Norway with his talk *Our Common Future: A Tribute to Henrik Wergeland!***
- **12.35 - 13.00: Jack Goldstone, Virginia E. and John T. Hazel Professor at George Mason University School of Public Policy, Eminent Scholar, and a Mercatus Center Fellow, presents *Conflict Among Civilizations 500 BC - 2030 AD***
- **13.00 - 14.00: Lunch**
- **14.00 - 17.00: Our Open: Our Open Space programme begins on Day One of our HumanDHS Conference, and continues on Day Two. The programme for the Open Space on Day Two emerges during Day One.**
- **Erga Netz & Izzy Abrahams present their documentary *How to: Be or not to Be?***
- **Brian Lynch presents "Humiliation in the Media"**
- **17.00 - 17.30: Wrapping up Day Three**
- **18.00: Free**

## **Friday, 27th June 2008: Day Four, HumanDHS Conference with Participants Who Have Signed Up**

- **9.00 - 9.30: Welcoming all participants**
- **9.30-13.00: Special Session on the role played by Human Dignity and Humiliation for Environmental Psychology, organised by Einar Strumse**

The sessions is designed to result in a manifesto or memorandum or a set of recommendations that address architects, designs and those who make decisions about the future built environment.

### **Environmental Psychology Session Part 1:**

- ***9:30 – 11:00 Einar Strumse gives an introduction to Environmental Psychology - themes included are Environmental Psychology as international academic discipline, it's status in Norway and selected applied areas.***

***Dialogue focusing upon the following themes:***

- How can the field of environmental psychology contribute to the promotion of human dignity?
- What should be included in a list of recommendations to designers and decision makers ? (see also below)

### **Environmental Psychology Session Part 2:**

- **11.00 - 11.30: Einar Strumse speaks about *Houselessness, Homelessness, Humiliation and Dignity***
- **11.30 - 12.00: *Åshild Lappegard Hauge speaks about The Meaning of Architectural Quality in Housing for the Social Identity of Formerly Homelessut (pictures taken by Bård Helland)***
- **13.00 - 14.00: Lunch**
- **14.00 - 14.15: Lasse Moer presents *Men, hva er et menneske? [But, What Is a Human Being?]*, a talk on a film project**
- **14.00 - 17.00: Open Space (continued from Day One)**
- **17.00 - 17.30: Wrapping up Day Four**
- **18.00: Free**

**Saturday, 28th June - Tuesday, 1st July: HumanDHS Conference in Bergen and on Board of the Coaststeamer Hurtigruta**

Departure for the Norway in a Nutshell tour is from Oslo central station at 8.15 (8.15 a.m.) in the morning of 28th June, arrival in the evening. Please show up in good time!

**Sunday, 29th June: HumanDHS Conference in Bergen**

**Sightseeing in Bergen on 29th June.**

**At 13.00 (1 p.m.) we take the funicular to reach the Fløyen restaurant overlooking Bergen for a lunch meeting with colleagues from Christian Michelsens Institute and the Department of Psychology at the University of Bergen.**

**Boarding time is at least one hour before departure, which is scheduled at 20.00 (8.00 p.m.).**

**Sunday, 29th June - Tuesday, 1st July: HumanDHS Conference on Board of the Coaststeamer Hurtigruta**

**Our on-Board Programme (in our sessions, we continue with Open Space):**

**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 Fjord)
- 13.00: Lunch
- 13.30: Enjoying the cruise on the Geiranger fjord, the most spectacular scenery of Norway
- 20.15: Dinner
- 21.00 - 23.00 Fourth Session, in the Midnight Sun

**1st July**

- 9.00: Breakfast
- 13.00: Restaurant Grenaderen in Trondheim

Svanibor Pettan from the University of Ljubljana, and Lasanthi Manaranjanie from the University of Colombo, Sri Lanka, are kindly offering to present a programme on the arts in mediation and rehabilitation (Kosovo and Sri Lanka).

**We return to Oslo by train or plane**