

Human Dignity and Humiliation Studies



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Toward a world that dignifies all – healing and preventing cycles of humiliation

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Bringing dignity to learning, globally and locally

Invitation

Dear Friend,

With great gratitude, we look forward to having you with us in our upcoming

40th Annual Conference of Human Dignity and Humiliation Studies
'Global Vulnerabilities – From Humiliation to Dignity and Solidarity'

Madrid, Spain

17th – 20th September 2024

All practical details are here:

www.humiliationstudies.org/whoweare/annualmeeting/40.php

The conference is being arranged cooperatively by the National Distance Education University, known in Spanish as Universidad Nacional de Educación a Distancia (UNED), together with Human Dignity and Humiliation Studies (HumanDHS), and the World Dignity University initiative.

We very much thank Professor Saulo Fernández and Professor Emeritus José Francisco Morales Domínguez for convening this conference!

Saulo Fernández is Professor of Social Psychology at UNED University in Spain. Supported by his mentor, Professor Emeritus José Francisco Morales Domínguez, his research interests include the study of humiliation as a distinct emotional experience, aiming to identify the particular situational determinants and cognitive appraisals that predict humiliation, as well as the consequences that the experience of humiliation has for the victims. He is also interested in the study of the experience of the social stigmatisation and humiliation among people with physical handicap and on the moral perceptions and expectancies that majority group members develop toward minority group members.

Human Dignity and Humiliation Studies is a diverse transdisciplinary network of more than 8000 scholars, researchers, educators, practitioners, creative artists, and others, all devoted to building human dignity and addressing issues of humiliation that disrupt human relationships at all levels, locally and globally. In 2011 HumanDHS launched the World Dignity University initiative. All our efforts are a labour of love and not for profit.

Each year we organise a global conference — typically comprised of up to 60 participants — to encourage collaboration, to share achievements, and exchange views on challenges to promoting dignity. Over the last decade, since 2003, our conferences have been convened in many notable locations around the world, including in Europe (Paris, Berlin, Oslo, Dubrovnik), Costa Rica, China, Hawai'i, Turkey, Egypt, Jordan, New Zealand, South Africa, Rwanda, Chiang Mai in Northern Thailand, the Amazon of Brasil, and Indore in Central India.

All our conferences are convened in acknowledgement of the crucially important historical times we live in. Our challenge is to create a world in which all people can enjoy a dignified life. All our conferences therefore advocate the notion of dignity, not just locally, but globally.

With the support from our host institutions, we will aim to cultivate a unique learning environment in our conference in 2024 in Spain, enriched by the participation of individuals with diverse experiences, perspectives, and backgrounds, all bringing with them first-hand knowledge of the most urgent issues of our time.

We are therefore delighted to welcome our international participants to our 2024 conference in Madrid, together with interested local participants, among them local students, faculty, staff, and others who would like to join us. With bringing together international participants with a local community, we wish to energise efforts on all sides to create a world that advances the dignity of all people.

We appreciate your willingness to be an essential part of our conference. Your participation is of great importance. We are certain that your contribution to the conference will have helpful reverberations not only for your work, but also for our dignity network's scholars and practitioners working throughout the world.

Sincerely yours,



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Director



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- Director of the World Dignity University (WDUi, www.worlddignityuniversity.org) and Dignity Press, with imprint World Dignity University Press (www.dignitypress.org) (all initiatives are not-for-profit)
- Research Scientist and Former Associate Director, Jean Baker Miller Training Institute (www.jbmti.org), Wellesley Centers for Women, Wellesley College (www.wcwonline.org)
- Several awards, HumanDHS Lifetime Achievement Award 2015, HumanDHS's work was nominated for the Nobel Peace Prize (2015, 2016, 2017)

Evelin Gerda Lindner, Medical Doctor, Licensed Clinical Psychologist, Dr. med. (in Psychological Medicine), Dr. psychol. (in Social Psychology), Transdisciplinary Scholar in Social Sciences and Humanities

- Founding President of Human Dignity and Humiliation Studies (HumanDHS, www.humiliationstudies.org), and Co-founder of the World Dignity University Initiative (WDUi, www.worlddignityuniversity.org, see also <https://youtu.be/qGyPwHC5JdU>), including Dignity Press, with imprint World Dignity University Press (www.dignitypress.org) (all initiatives are not-for-profit)
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- Teaching globally, www.humiliationstudies.org/whoweare/evelin.php
- See lectures on dignity and humiliation given at the University of Oslo in Norway since 2009 (in English and Norwegian) at www.sv.uio.no/tjenester/kunnskap/podkast/index.html (search for Lindner)
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