

**Conference 15 – 17 September 2014**

Memory Human Rights  
Intercultural Dialogue Learning  
Museums Memorial Sites

## Synopsis

Our stories and memories of the past are today marked by a transcending of national and ethnic boundaries, causing ‘a change in the basic grammar of collective memory’ (Assmann). Modern societies thus mediate national memories in new ways; they are transformed but not erased, they continue to exist, yet are subjected to new memory patterns.

Commemorating multicultural and hyper-mediated tragedies, like the terror attacks in New York, Madrid and Oslo, as well as the suppressed memories of traumas like the Holocaust and the Spanish Civil War, are examples of such new and multi-layered processes, which in many respects differ from more traditional patterns of remembering wars and conflicts.

In the recently published report of the Council of Europe, *Living Together – Combining diversity and freedom in the 21<sup>st</sup>-century Europe*, museums and other cultural institutions are seen as important educational tools: to develop intercultural competencies, and to overcome major threats for peace and sustainable democracy.

This conference aims at making a roadmap on how to deal with near and distant historical traumas, and how memorials and museums can contribute in the service of democratic development and intercultural understanding in the future.

## MEMORY AND LEARNING IN A CHANGING WORLD

The Falstad Centre, Norway



# PRELIMINARY PROGRAM

## Monday 15 September, Falstad

- 17.00 **Welcome Addresses**  
Tone Jörstad, Director of The Falstad Centre  
Dr. Tor Einar Fagerland, Leader of Department of Historical Studies, NTNU University of Trondheim  
Karen Franklin, President ICMEMO
- 17.30 **Introduction to the History and Memory of Falstad**  
Jon Reitan, The Falstad Centre
- 18.00 **After the Terror of 22 July 2011: Project “New Utöya”**  
Jo Stein Moen, Author “Utoya A Biography”  
Dr. Tor Einar Fagerland, NTNU  
Jørgen Frydnes, Project Leader
- 20.00 Dinner
- 21.00 Guided Tour The Falstad Forest

## Tuesday 16 September, Falstad

- 09.00 **Memory and Learning at the 9/11 Memorial Museum**  
Dr. Clifford Chanin, Director of Education and Public Programs
- 10.00 **The Munich Olympics 1972 Memorial**  
Dr. Bernhard Purin, Director Jewish Museum Munich
- 11.00 Coffee Break

- 11.15 **Roundtable 1: Negotiating memory and learning**  
Norway: Line Henriksen/Ingeborg Hjorth, NTNU  
Japan: Dr. Julie Higashi, Ritsumeikan University, Japan  
EUROCLIO, European Association of History Teachers  
Moderator: Dr. Svein Lorentzen, NTNU/The Falstad Centre
- 12.45 Lunch
- 13.45 **Roundtable 2: Reconceptualizing landscapes and memorials**  
Dr. Rob van der Laarse, University of Amsterdam  
Dr. Gennaro Postiglione, University of Milano  
Moderator: Dr. Tor Einar Fagerland
- 14.45 Coffee Break
- 15.00 **Roundtable 3: Transnational Arenas for Memory and Learning**  
Dr. Jordi Guixé, European Memory Observatory, University of Barcelona  
Dr. Michael Abramowitz, Director of the Committee on Conscience, United States Holocaust Memorial Museum  
Moderator: Karen Franklin, ICMEMO
- 16.00 Coffee Break
- 16.15 Dialogue Groups

- 18.00 Closing statement

## Wednesday 17 September, Trondheim

- 09.00 Bus Departure from Falstad Memorial to Trondheim
- 10.30 Guided Tour Jewish Museum Trondheim and the Tordenskiold Park, Location of new 22 July Memorial
- 13.30 Free lunch. Departure Trondheim Airport.

## Practical Information

Deadline for Registration: **1 September 2014**

Registration is limited to 50 participants.

Accommodations: Conference participants will be accommodated at The Falstad Centre and Thon Hotel Backlund in Levanger. There will be free transportation to and from Falstad.

Transportation: Trains leave every hour from the airport. Take the northbound train, direction city of “Steinkjer”. Leave the train at Skogn Station. There is a 12 minute taxi drive from the station to Falstad.

Conference Fee: 2400 NOK/ 300 Euros. 2 nights accommodation and all meals are included.

Registration link:  
<https://no.surveymonkey.com/s/memoryandlearning>

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