



Society in change – Children and young people caught in the middle?

NFBO 2010

**The 6th Nordic Congress on
Child Abuse and Neglect**

10-12 May, 2010, Copenhagen, Denmark

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WELCOME

It is our privilege to invite you to the 6th Nordic Congress on Child Abuse and Neglect to be held in Copenhagen Denmark 10 – 12 May 2010.

The Nordic Association for Prevention of Child Abuse and Neglect (NFBO, www.nfbo.com) was established in 1998 in Copenhagen, Denmark. It is based on the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child. The aim is to promote collaboration between the Nordic countries and the exchange of experience and knowledge between professionals in the field of child maltreatment with a special focus on prevention. The Nordic Association is a National Partner of ISPCAN (International Society for the Prevention of Child Abuse and Neglect, www.ispcan.org).

The theme for the congress is: **Society in change, Children and Young people caught in the Middle?**

Our ambition is to bring together a spectrum of professionals that have child protection in its widest sense as their main interest and concern. The Congress will focus on all forms of child neglect and negligence, parental, professional and societal. On the second day we have decided to focus on the concept of Children´s House (Child Protection Center) and its development in the Nordic countries. It is possible to participate in this day separately. We underline a multidisciplinary and intersectoral approach, as well as the problems will be viewed from the perspective of children, parents, makers and legislators.

We look forward to seeing you in Copenhagen May 2010.

Gunnar Sandholt, Island – Chair of NFBO

Kirsten Laila Moesgaard, Chair of the Danish Organising Committee

DEADLINES

Submission of abstracts 31st January 2010
Early registration fee until 31st January 2010

We reserve the right to make changes

Keep yourself updated at www.nfbo.com

SOCIETY IN CHANGE CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE CAUGHT IN THE MIDDLE?

The Scandinavian social welfare model has gone through a period of change and this gives rise to the following questions:

- Has globalization and the march of new technologies created another form of child neglect?
- How do we evaluate the input that professionals offer children and their families?
- Do we give too much responsibility to young people in relations to their experience and development?
- What has been the effect of strengthening parental involvement and influence, including the child's understanding of cooperation with professionals (psycho-education and the parents' capacity to mentalise)
- Is a strengthened diagnosis of children's and young people's problems appropriate?
- Have the demands on the parental skills increased over the last few years?

Will the answers to the questions above help children and young people to have a more secure childhood and increase their legal rights – or will they be caught in the middle of cultural, economic and political systems in change? Will specific forms of abuse; e.g. medicinal, judicial, psychological or social, increase or decrease? Will the problems be more difficult or easier to acknowledge? What does this mean for professional practice?

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CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

The Congress Scientific Committee invites authors to submit abstract proposals for oral or poster presentations in line with our theme; Society in change, Children and Young people caught in the middle? Authors are requested to submit a maximum of 250 words in English, Danish, Norwegian or Swedish. It will be presumed that the oral presentation will be in the same language as the submitted abstract.

All abstracts must be submitted on-line through the abstract submission on the congress website www.nfbo.com

Please note the following:

- Deadline for submission of abstracts is January 31, 2010. Late submissions cannot be accepted.
- Authors will be informed of the selection by email by March 15, 2010.
- All selected abstracts will be published in the congress program.
- All presenters will be required to pay the congress registration fee.

Authors are asked to select the type of presentation they would like to give. Please note that the Scientific Committee reserves the right to offer a shorter presentation than that which authors have submitted in order to maximise the number of participants.

The presentation options are:

WORKSHOPS

Presenters will have the opportunity to present a 30–45 minute workshop including question/ discussion time.

BRIEF PRESENTATION

We invite applicants to give a brief 20 minute research or clinical activity presentations (15 minutes for presentation and 5 minutes for questions).

POSTERS

Posters will be on display throughout the conference.

GENERAL INFORMATION

VENUE

The congress will be held at Scandic Copenhagen, a first class conference hotel with excellent conference facilities located within a walking distance to the city center

LANGUAGE

The congress languages will be the Scandinavian (Danish, Norwegian and Swedish) and English.

REGISTRATION DETAILS

Registration is available at the congress website www.nfbo.com where you can register for the congress, the social programme, and for hotel reservations.

REGISTRATION FEE:

If payment received	before 31 January 2010	after 31 January 2010
Member of NFBO	DKK 3500	DKK 3750
Non-member	DKK 3750	DKK 4000
Participation Tuesday only	DKK 2100	DKK 2350
Conference dinner	DKK 685	DKK 685

INCLUDED FOR PARTICIPANTS:

The congress fee includes the scientific programme, congress material, lunches and coffee at the congress venue as well as reception at the Copenhagen City Hall, and Sightseeing by boat.

CANCELLATION OF PARTICIPATION (IN WRITING)

Participants who are unable to attend the conference will have their conference fee refunded (less a fee of DKK 400), provided written notice of non-attendance is received by the Conference Secretariat before 15 April 2010. After this date no refund can be expected.

ACCOMMODATION

DIS Congress Service can arrange hotel accommodation for participants. The secretariat has reserved rooms at a special congress price at the official hotels for the congress. In order to secure an accommodation suiting your need and wishes, you are encouraged to book a room when you register online for the congress.

If it is more convenient for you to book the hotel at a later stage, you can email us with your request on participants@discongress.com.

THE SELECTED HOTELS ARE:

Scandic hotel Copenhagen****

(venue)

The hotel is located in the heart of Copenhagen, close to the Tivoli gardens and the pedestrian street, Strøget. Most of the rooms have a lovely view overlooking the Lakes. It is possible to use the gym and sauna at the hotel. Indoor and outdoor parking facilities are offered against a parking fee.

Central Station: 500 meter

Metro: 1,8 km.

Price: Single room DKK 1250, double DKK 1450 per night.

Best Western Mercur Hotel ***

The hotel is located in the heart of Copenhagen, only a few minutes walk from Tivoli Gardens, the City Hall Square, the pedestrian street Strøget and the Central Station. There is wireless internet in all rooms. As the only hotel in Copenhagen the hotel has an outdoor tennis court available to guests at a small fee.

Central Station: 250 meter

Metro: 1 km

Price: single room DKK 950, double 950 per night.

Cab Inn City***

The hotel is located just behind the Tivoli Gardens in the heart of Copenhagen. Standard rooms are with bunk beds and all have private bath and toilet. The rooms have an electric kettle and offers free coffee and tea. Parking facilities available against a fee.

Central Station: 200 meter

Metro: 1 km

Price: Single room DKK 545, double DKK 675 per night.

PAYMENT, CANCELLATION AND CHANGES

All reservations are pre-paid when registering online. This guarantees your room reservation.

All changes must be emailed to DIS Congress Service on participants@discongress.com

In case of cancellation before 9th of April the full amount for the reservation will be refunded. For cancellations made between the 9th of April and the 23rd of April the amount will be refunded if we are able to allocate the cancelled room-nights to another guest. In case of a refund this will be made after the congress. For cancellations made after the 23rd of April no refund can be made.

Payment must be made in Danish Kroner (DKK) to NFBO, c/o DIS Congress Service and remitted as follows:

- Bank transfer to account no. 4180 4180-787 259 – IBAN no. DK073000 4180787259, Swift code DABADKKK in Danske Bank, Frederiksberggade 1, 1459 Copenhagen K
- Credit card

IMPORTANT: Remember to state NFBO and participants name on all money transfers. If you have made a late payment, please bring copy of the transfer to the congress.

Please direct all registrations, payment or hotel inquiries to DIS Congress Service:

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GETTING TO COPENHAGEN

The airport is located only 14 kilometers from the Copenhagen city centre. There are frequent connections by train to Copenhagen Central Station, which is only a few minutes' walk away from the Congress Venue.

HOVEDFORELÆSERE / KEYNOTE SPEAKER

Childrens Advocacy Centers

Bud Cramer will talk about his many years of experience in how to model and promote excellence in child abuse response and prevention.

Bud Cramer, USA, Honorary Doctor of Laws from the University of Alabama, Huntsville
He started a pioneering program called the National Children's Advocacy Center, which provides comprehensive help for abused children. Today there are over 650 programs in all 50 states and several foreign countries that are modeled after the Madison County Program.

Der må være en grænse

Anna-Stina Sørensen sætter fokus på den retspolitiske moralske panik-debat om vold, bandekrig, narkotika forbruget blandt unge eller ungdomskriminalitet. Der må være en grænse, for hvad vi som samfund skal finde os i siger politikerne og svarer igen med krav om konsekvens, strengere straf og forslag om at sænke den kriminelle lavalder. Men er der ikke også en grænse for, hvad børn og unge kan udsættes for, en grænse for hvad de skal finde sig i og en grænse for de reaktive sanktioners effekt? Oplægget rejser spørgsmålet om, hvordan grænsen kan og bør sættes i forhold til børn og unge.

Anne-Stina Sørensen er uddannet sociolog. Hun har arbejdet med forebyggelse af risikoadfærd blandt børn og unge på Ringstedforsøget og som konsulent og foredragsholder blandt andet i kommunerne og i politiet.

Ethical questions concerning medicalization of deviance

Björn Hjálmarsson will make a presentation on the genetic construction of the ADHD behavioral pattern in Icelandic children.

Björn Hjálmarsson, Iceland, Pediatrician who during the last years has been studying philosophy at the University of Iceland with bioethics as a central core. Is currently working as a pediatrician in Reykavík, within first, secondary and tertiary health care facilities.

Holdningsbearbejdelse i forhold til omsorgssvigt

Maliina Abelsen vil tage udgangspunkt i den øgede indsats på børne- og ungeområdet i Grønland, der særligt har fokus på reducere omsorgssvigt. Her er en af de store udfordringer at vende holdningen til omsorgssvigt. Hvordan kommer indsatsen helt ud i familiernes stuer og får inddraget familier og ressourcepersoner? Hvordan får vi familier til at løfte deres del af ansvaret.

Maliina Abelsen er uddannet sociolog, medlem af det grønlandske parti Inuit Ataqatigiit og Socialminister i den grønlandske regering.

Syke barn eller syk barndom?

Anna Luise Kirkengen vil belyse "Diagnoser" som AD/HD, CFS, depresjon, spiseproblemer, rusmiddelbruk og selvskading hos barn og unge - ikke som diagnoser eller sykdommer som bør behandles medikamentelt - men som fenomener som må forstås relasjonelt.

Anna Luise Kirkengen, Norge. Professor i allmenmedisin ved Instituttene for samfunnsmedisin ved Universitetene i Tromsø og Trondheim og seniorforsker ved Senter for helsefremmende arbeid ved Universitetssykehuset Akershus.

Economic recession – a challenge for children, families and services

Tytti Solantaus will talk about the impact of economic recession on children and families, based on national studies in Finland.

Tytti Solantaus is child psychiatrist by training, and is working as a research professor in National Institute for Health and Welfare. She is implementing a countrywide programme for the prevention of child mental health and behavioral disorders in families where parents suffer from mental health or substance use disorders.

Barn och sexuella övergrepp via IT

Linda Jonsson. Barnen som drabbas av IT-relaterade sexuella övergrepp är en grupp som professionella, inte minst stöd- och behandlingspersonal, måste vara förberedda att möta.

Linda Jonsson, Sverige, socionom och arbetar på barn- och ungdomspsykiatriska mottagningen, BUP Elefanten i Linköping. BUP Elefanten är en specialenhet för behandling av barn- och unga som utsatts för sexuella övergrepp eller fysisk misshandel. Sedan 2006 projektledare för Onlineprojektet på enheten, som syftar till att öka kunskapen om barn och sexuella övergrepp via IT.