

NSU 2014

Krækíngur

Sauðárkrókur, Iceland

Friday 25th of July

Welcome to the Summer Session 2014

For the first time in 10 years we have our Summer Session in Iceland.

We've had years with almost no participants from Iceland; even years when the Icelandic member of the board was Danish — in hope that this revival of Danish colonialism would provoke Icelanders to take action and come back. I don't think that is the reason we are now back in Iceland, it is rather thanks to several winter sessions in Iceland within the last years and not least thanks to a group of very hard working people in Arrkom who have been looking forward to welcoming us in Iceland.

And, I can tell, they have spent lots and lots of hours working on this!

We are a good number of participants this summer, more than we have been for the last years. So we will be many people enjoying their work on arranging the summer for us, and enjoying each other's company and the feeling of NSU.

Last summer in Norway we were very concerned about cuts in the budget of Nordic Council of Ministers (NMR) and the suggestion that NSU should be under the auspices of NordForsk (the research program of NMR). The question was how this would affect us.

The ultimate concern was whether we would be here again this summer, or at least in what form we would be here.

As we all can see we are still here, and we look the same as last year! [Editor's note: Not really — Erik has grown a beard.] What has happened since last year is that NMR has asked for an evaluation of us. The outcome of this evaluation will form the foundation for what decisions NMR and NordForsk will take concerning NSU. Technopolis Group, with an office in Stockholm, has been made in charge of the evaluation which is financed with DKK 200.000 from NMRS (the secretariat of Nordic Council of Ministers) and DKK 150.000 from NordForsk.

As NSU is different from ordinary research programs we have been asked to make a self-evaluation to form an agenda for the evaluation. It was made in autumn/winter, and it can be found on our [webpage \(in Danish\)](#). As you can read there, NSU has been very productive over the last decade, which is the time span of the self-evaluation (being the period we have had the status of a research program within NMR).

We are now waiting for the evaluation. It was supposed to be done before summer, now expected in August.

As this evaluation forms the foundation for decisions about NSU we know today nothing about the future. NordForsk will not start any talks with us before the evaluation is concluded, not even exchange ideas of how we could perhaps make use of each other.

A consequence of this uncertainty about the immediate future is a question of how we can ask the coordinators to plan the Winter Symposiums not knowing whether there will be any money for them. This concern from our side has been met with political support for our immediate activities. We have been informed from political side that we can continue planning the year 2015 and there will be money for NSU then. NordForsk has not yet confirmed this. However, I believe we can trust this



Carsten Friberg Photo: Zane Cerpina

information and in good faith plan next year as we should.

So what about the future? Since we have not seen the evaluation yet it is hard to say. If we had had it for this summer we could also begin a discussion about possible improvements and interesting new directions for us to take — the outside view on NSU could be a good occasion for us to learn about ourselves and what we can do differently and better.

We should do this anyway and follow what we believe is best for NSU. And we should also continue our fight for remaining independent and not under the auspices of NordForsk.

Everyone is invited to participate in this fight. Activate your contacts, in politics and in academia. Make NSU known through different media. Everything, small and large, counts.

Explicit support for NSU is much welcome. We have got some letters of support from the College of rectors of the Danish universities, a group of rectors of Swedish university colleges, the Danish Society of Philosophy, and individuals like the former rector of the Royal Academy of Fine Arts in Copenhagen.

Much more of this kind is needed as well as support from friends in political life. We can see it really does make a difference.

Between this Summer Session and next year's session — planned to take place in Lithuania — many things will happen. We should not wait for them to happen, we should make them happen. Happen as we see them for the best of NSU!

Wishing you all wonderful days in Iceland!

Carsten
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PS

Concerning Danes representing Iceland in the board, at least it will not be the case in the future. Four Nordic countries have to be represented, but that says nothing about where the fifth comes from.

Any material you want us to publish? No problem, deadline is 6pm every day:

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Sea swimming 6pm to 7pm

Today we will go for a swim in the sea by Sauðárkrókur with a local sea bathing specialist Benedikt Lafleur. Benedikt offers organized sea bathing tours around Iceland, especially in the northwest area, where he also runs his scientific studies. He is one of the most experienced sea swimmer in Iceland, nationally known for his countless long distance sea-swimming. Benedikt is currently working on a study in Kiev about sea bathing. He has helped hundreds of people to make their first step into the sea and gathered a lot of knowledge from their inestimable experience of sea bathing. The sea is in walking distance from the hotel so this trip is a big health package and it's free.



Circle locations

All study circles are located in the school, markers indicate rooms.
Circles 1,2,3 & 7 are on the 2nd floor.
Circles 4 & 8 are on the 1st floor, behind the cafeteria.
The children's circle and circle 5 are on the 1st floor, 1st corridor to the right before the cafeteria.

Today's keynote



Stefanie von Schnurbein is professor for Modern Scandinavian Literatures at the Department for Northern European Studies at Humboldt-University Berlin century literature; gender, sexuality, masculinity and theories of embodiment; the reception of old Icelandic literature and Norse myth in literature, art, popular media, and religion (neo-Paganism); the history of scholarship and ideology; literary anti-Semitism; figurations of hunger, disorderly eating and economy in Scandinavian literature. She is currently finishing a book manuscript on "Norse Revival. Transformations of Germanic Neo-Paganism". In recent years, she has started to take a more experimental approach to working in the academy trying to create space for thinking critically about and at the same time practicing academic freedom. She has published extensively on Scandinavian 19th and 20th century literature; gender, sexuality, masculinity and theories of embodiment; the reception of old Icelandic literature and Norse myth in literature, art, popular media, and religion (neo-Paganism); the history of scholarship and ideology; literary anti-Semitism; figurations of hunger, disorderly eating and economy in Scandinavian literature.

Important information

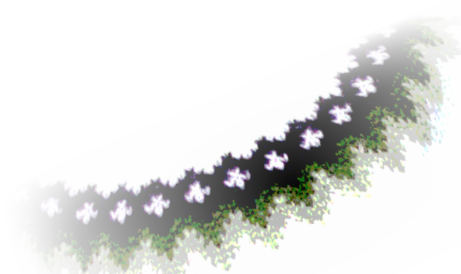
For general information about the conference you can contact Þórný Barðadóttir, tel. +354 895 4653
 For printing and opening doors for conference areas you can contact Ásta Júlía, tel. +354 848 8487
 The wireless internet does not require a code to operate.
 The children's circle introduction will be held on the 1st floor, the right side corridor before entering the cafeteria at 9am.

Circle 1- Transformations in the welfare in the Nordic countries

	Friday 25th of July	Saturday 26th of July	Sunday 27th of July	Tuesday 28th of July	Wednesday 30th of July
09:00-10:30	Introduction to NSU and the circle; planning of the week (starting 9:15 because of introduction in the children's circle)	Susanne Kreitz-Sandberg: Problem solving perspectives in arithmetic class room - developing mathematic learning in Japanese elementary schools Discussant: J. Snæfriður Einarsdóttir	Workshop on current tendencies in higher education such as neoliberalism and marketization # 1 Chair: Luise Li Langergaard and Gro Hellesdatter Jacobsen	Jin Hui Li: Educating welfare experts for a global world - Students' perceptions of the significance of culture and nationality in transnational education Discussant: Ásta Júlía Aðalsteinsdóttir	Giorgio Baruchello: Reflections on Castoriadis' 'The Crisis of Modern Society' Discussant: TBA
10:45-12:15	Workshop on inclusion in elementary and secondary school # 1 Chair: Susanne Kreitz-Sandberg and J. Snæfriður Einarsdóttir	Gro Hellesdatter Jacobsen: The "Open School" - new cooperation between schools and local sports clubs, cultural centres and various associations seen in a competitive respectively inclusive perspective Discussant: Susanne Kreitz-Sandberg	Workshop on current tendencies in higher education such as neoliberalism and marketization # 2	Luise Li Langergaard: Social entrepreneurship and Bildung Discussant: Jin Hui Li	Kristín Þórarinsdóttir: Patient perspectives on constrained patient participation in health care: A framework analysis Discussant: Arja Hietanen
14:00-15:30	Workshop on inclusion in elementary and secondary school # 2	Luise Li Langergaard: Inclusion through innovation in social housing Discussant: Gro Hellesdatter Jacobsen	Circle discussion on NSU's future and study programme	Susanne Kreitz-Sandberg: Gender Mainstreaming, Intersectionality and Inclusive Perspectives in Higher Education Discussant: Kristín Thórarinsdóttir	Evaluation of summer session and planning of winter symposium 2015

Walking tour 8:30pm to 10pm

A walking tour of Sauðarkrókur with a real "Krækingur". You can learn about the history of the town as well as about the present day. Dress according to weather.



Circle 3- Crisis and Crisis Scenarios: Normativity, Possibilities and Dilemmas

	Friday 25/7	Saturday 26/7	Sunday 27/7	Tuesday 29/7	Wednesday 30/7
8.00-9.00	Breakfast	Breakfast	Breakfast	Breakfast	Breakfast
9.00-10.30	Huginn Freyr Þorsteinsson: Reflections on Icelandic Crisis Response	Tuesday preliminary: There can be changes in the Saturday program because John Storm may not arrive: Seminar on Evil and Crisis in the Welfare State: Topics: Administration, Cases and Ethics	Giorgio Baruchello: Reflections on Castoriadis' 'The Crisis of Modern Society'	Erik Bendtsen: "Values, Attitudes and Nature". Kristin Tilli: "Ecology, Politics and crisis"	Sigurd Hverven: What is an individual? Identifying an anthropological crisis in liberalism Espen Dyrnes Stabell: Responsibility: The first virtue of innovation?
10.45 - 12.15	Federica Scarpa: The moral obstacle to economic development . Case studies from Arctic Elin Thora Fridfinnsdottir: "Mind the gap - The gap between governments goals in education and the reality in Narsaq, Greenland".	Speakers: John Storm Pedersen: Administration and evidence Anna Lyneborg: Case studies of evil and hard cases Jacob Dahl Rendtorff: Moral blindness and banality of evil in social work: Towards an experimental methodology	Agust Thor Arnason: "Could a different type of Constitutions have prevented the Crisis of 2008-2010?" Maria Refer: Halldor Laxnes and Martin A. Hansen - Two Perspectives on the History of Iceland	Adam Netzen: Political decision-making in times of uncertainty - Philip Kitcher on the relation between science and policy Johan Söderberg: "Lumpen-intellectuals after Althusser: An unofficial genealogy of post-structuralist Science & Technology Studies"	Gisli Sveinn Loftsson: Crisis and Global Tourism Conclusive session – The NSU anthology and the Winter symposium 2015
14.00 - 15.30	Lars Erslev Andersen: Part 1: The global balance of power in change: Rivalry between USA and China on economic, political, and security influence in the Persian Gulf Region Part 2: The Islamic State in Syria and Iraq: What is going on?	Gorm Harste in conversation with Lars Erslev Andersen: Hybrid States and Hybrid Wars: Case for the Conversation: The Islamic State in Syria and Iraq. Jonas Nordli Sørensen: The climate crisis – some theoretical perspectives on traditional industrialisms exploitation of natural resources.	THOMAS PIKETTY Øjvind Larsen: The Revival of Political Economy – From Adam Smith to Thomas Piketty Jacob Rendtorff: Economy and morality in Pikeety's critique of Inequality And Capitalism	Johann Pall Arnason: The labyrinth of freedom: Hegel, Hayek and Honneth	Panel Discussion: The Theme is TBA

Circle 2- Heterologies of the Everyday

NSU 2014 Sauðárkrókur	Thursday 24.7.	Friday 25.7.	Saturday 26.7.	Sunday 27.7.	Tuesday 29.7.	Wednesday 30.7.
08:00-09:00 (08:45- 09:10)	Breakfast	Breakfast <i>Children's circle – Intro</i>	Breakfast	Breakfast	Breakfast	Breakfast
09:00-10:30	1. Joint meeting board & coordinators	Arto Haapala: <i>Introduction and Aesthetics of the Everyday</i>	Carsten Friberg: <i>Some Thoughts about the Philosophical Significance of Objects</i>	Reading time	<i>Showing Lars von Trier's Nymphomaniac</i>	Tina Louise Sørensen: <i>Dark Sensibilities: New Distributions of the Sensible in Carsten Ingemann's Photographs of Non-Urban Denmark</i>
10:45-12:15		Margus Vihalem: <i>The Political Dimension of Aesthetics</i>	Jyrki Siukonen: <i>Wittgenstein of Skateboard: Re-Reading the Everyday Environment</i>	<i>Discussion: Gernot Böhme, Atmosphere as the Fundamental Concept of a New Aesthetics</i>	<i>Lars von Trier continued</i>	Epp Annus: <i>Mapping the Everyday</i>
14:00-15:30	Contd.	Helle Egdal and Mette Mygind: <i>Poetry and Ghetto Life in Denmark and Germany: Migrant Authors and Political Discourse</i>	Lone Nikolajsen: <i>Routines and Variations in the Intimate Spheres of Others: Poetries of the Social Health Care</i>	Johanna Ross: <i>Relationships in the "Everyday" of War: Soviet Estonian War Novels by Women Authors</i>	Bodil Marie Stavning Thomsen: <i>Diagramming Bodily Sensations, Words and Affects in Nymphomaniac</i>	Study Circle 2: <i>Closing Discussion</i>
15:30-17:00	meeting board & coordinators	Keynote speaker: Stefanie von Schnurbein	Keynote speaker: Erin Manning	Keynote speaker: Erin Manning	Keynote speaker: Stefanie von Schnurbein	<i>Children's circle Harvest feast</i> /// 2. Joint meeting board & coordinators

Circle 5- Popmodernism - Recycling Twentieth Century Culture

	Thursday 24.7.	Friday 25.7.	Saturday 26.7.	Sunday 27.7.	Tuesday 29.7.	Wednesday 30.7.
09:00-10:30	1. Joint meeting board & coordinators	Introduction Louise Yung Nielsen: <i>Becoming with media: The blog body and the Ontology of fashion blogging</i>	Niclas Nerby Hundahl: <i>Porgy and Bess: Subversive (black) critique of Capitalism</i>		Anssi Hynynen: <i>Recycling an era: The Finnish rockabilly craze of the 70's</i>	Sophia Corydon Smith: <i>Introduction to discussion of Hito Steyerl's "Too much world: Is the Internet dead?"</i>
10:45-12:15			Erik Steinskog: <i>Janelle Monae's timetravels: Between cyber-theory and Afrofuturism</i>	Rikke Juel Madsen: <i>A Political Space. Affect, Nationalism and Ethnicity in the Church</i>		Erik Steinskog: <i>With Andy to the Opera: Hommage à Koestenbaum</i>
14:00-15:30	Contd.	Sebastian Svegaard: <i>The Popmodern Culture: Fans as critics of pop, culture, and fandom</i>		Lars Ylander: <i>Passages through p-modern metaphor: A visit to the garden of cosmic speculation</i>	Bodil Marie Stavning Thomsen: <i>Bodily Sensations Felt, Seen, Written, Filmed</i>	
15:30-17:00	meeting board & coordinators	Keynote speaker: Stefanie von Schnurbein	Keynote speaker: Erin Manning	Keynote speaker: Erin Manning	Keynote speaker: Stefanie von Schnurbein	<i>Children's circle Harvest feast</i> /// 2. Joint meeting board & coordinators

Circle 8- Exploring Affect

	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Tuesday	Wednesday
09.00-10.30	Introduction	Discussion 1: Bourdieu	Valdimar Halldorsson: <i>Communities, individuals and festivals affecting each other</i> (short presentation) Visiting other circles	Discussion 2: Hochschild	Anna Lindal: <i>Presentation of art book</i>
10.45-12.15	Katji Lindberg: <i>Bridging conflicting levels; the structural vs the subjective in Benhabib, Wilson and Kristeva</i>	Sara Seeberg Laursen: <i>Transforming pain: Treatment processes in a hospital clinic for youngsters with medically unexplained pain</i>	Rikke Juel Madsen: <i>A Political Space. Affect, Nationalism and Ethnicity in the Church</i>	Andreas Liljenstrøm: <i>Eros and Civilization (Herbert Marcuse)</i>	Johanna Sjöstedt: <i>The battle of experience: An attempt to account for a controversy in Swedish prostitution research</i>
14.00-15.30	Reading 1: Bourdieu	Raisa Jurva: <i>Affect and language: reading affect in interviews</i>	Reading 2: Hochschild	Annikka Lahti: <i>THEIR (FORMER) PARTNERS - a psycho-discursive perspective</i>	Concluding discussion and evaluation

Children's Circle schedule

	25.júli	26.júli	27.júli	28.júli	29.júli	30.júli
8.45 - 9.10		Children's circle Intro - Meeting w/parents*		E		
9.00	Introduction	A trip to Litliskógur	Seashore- To find stones	X	Textile work	Textile work
10.00	Power point presentation		Sewing bags for the stones	C		
11.00	Make a book			U		
12.00	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	R	Lunch	Lunch
13.00	Upright standing loom	Comb the fleece and spin	Horseback riding	S	Farming games	Show preparation
14.00		Update the book and drawing		I		
15.00	Rope making	Putting the loom together		O		Showtime!!
16.00				N		
17.00	Fin	Fin	Fin	S	Fin	Fin

*Please note – The meeting with the directors of the circle will be at the school, 1st floor, 1st corridor to the right ☺

Today's doppelganger



Pippi Långstrump



Disa Kamula

Aren't they like two peas in a pod?
...or how about this one?



Disa Kamula



Princess Leia Organa

Look out for some more dopplegangers for the upcoming issues of **Krækingur**



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Call for critical readers to review proposals for new study circles

2015-2017

We, the board, look for participants who are willing to read and review proposals for new study circles 2015-2017 during the three first days of Summer Session. The task is important for our research activity and consists in reading through short proposals and give critical and constructive feedback to the applicants to improve and develop their proposals before finally presenting it to the General Assembly. Please, contact the chair directly at carsten.friberg@gmail.com