



“Adult Education and the Planetary Condition”

Sixth biannual Nordic Conference of Adult Education and Learning 25.-28.3.2015

Venue: School of Education, University of Tampere, Finland

Organizers: Universities of Tampere and Åbo Akademi, Research programme Freedom and Responsibility of Popular Adult Education

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Both the theory and practice of adult education have developed much as a response to societal and economical change in a nation-state context. Currently researchers, practitioners and policy-makers of adult education are witnessing consequences of globalization, not only as increased interaction and mobility across different kinds of borders, but also as financial and economical, social and environmental crises at a global scale. The local challenges of adulthood are increasingly also planetary.

The loose umbrella of the sixth biannual Nordic conference on adult education and learning is the place and function of adult education in a planetary perspective. It invites researchers to discuss their topics and results in the tension-field of local and global. Contributions relating adult education to social, economical, ecological and cultural issues are especially welcome, but the conference is open to all interested in encounters and dialogues within the Nordic adult education community. Furthermore, one session strand is dedicated to popular (non-formal) adult education.

Keynotes

Lili-Ann Wolff

Docent/Adjunct Professor

University of Helsinki

"Would you change just because I asked you to?"

How to engage adults in different learning contexts (formally and informally, also work places) in sustainability actions without making them feel guilty or forced to change. Theories and examples.

Anders Breidlid

Professor, PhD

Faculty of Education and International Studies

Master Programme in Multicultural and International Education

Oslo University College

(Adult) education, indigenous knowledges and Western epistemology: the challenges of sustainable development in sub-Saharan Africa and Latin America.

Provisory Programme

Wednesday 25.3.

- Arrivals
- Get together evening

Thursday 26.3.

- Opening session
- Parallel sessions 1
- Plenary with keynote: Adjunct Professor Lili-Ann Wolff, University of Helsinki
- Parallel sessions 2
- Reception

Friday 27.3.

- Plenary with keynote: Professor Anders Breidlid, Oslo University College
- Parallel sessions 3
- Plenary with reflections
- Visits to adult education institutes
- Conference dinner

Saturday 28.3.

- Plenary with reflections
- Nordic adult education assembly
- Departures

Conference fees: 150 €. 50 € for doctoral students. Including material, coffees and daily meals in university restaurant.

Important dates

15.11.2014 – Submission of abstract

15.12.2014 – Notification of acceptance

15.02.2015 – Deadline for submission of papers & registration deadline

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More information about the program, call for papers and conference practicalities will be available on the conference website <http://www.uta.fi/edu/nordic/index.html>.

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