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# WELCOME TO THE 2021 COPENHAGEN FELLOWSHIP

## Civil Society, Civil Responsibility

Since our founding in 1997, Humanity in Action has worked to instill the values of human dignity and moral responsibility for the protection of the rights of minorities in a new generation of social, cultural and political leaders. Inspired by the rescue of the Danish Jews in 1943, Humanity in Action Denmark and the Copenhagen Fellowship represent the very foundation of this work. Since our founding we have educated, inspired and connected more than 2500 young people worldwide.

The Copenhagen Fellowship proudly works to continue this tradition. Yet, over the past 24 years, we have also sought to expand upon our foundations. As new challenges face our democratic societies, so the program develops and redefines itself. Today, the Copenhagen Fellowship explores not only the roots of its own history, but also contemporary human rights issues and concerns affecting minoritised groups. Pedagogically, the Copenhagen Fellowship strives to be a testing ground for new thinking driven by the Fellow dialogue, discussions and disagreements. Through a highly interdisciplinary program, the Fellowship seeks to engage its Fellows in current democratic challenges and inspire them to action - now and in the future.

We would like to express our gratitude to our donors. The Humanity in Action Fellowship in Copenhagen is only possible because of our supporters, who have continually believed in the idea of Humanity in Action. We are deeply thankful to Knud Højgaards Fond, Aage og Johanne Louis-Hansens Fond, Hermod Lannungs Fond, Hoffmann & Husmans Fond, Wistifonden, Politiken-Fonden, Slots- og Kulturstyrelsen, Asta og Jul. P Justensen Fond, Columbus-fonden, Tuborgfondet, Møllmanns Legatfond, and Plums Fond for Fred, Økologi og Bæredygtighed for supporting the program, several of these foundations through many years.

We would further like to sincerely thank our host families who - once again - open their homes to many of our Fellows.

At a time of great tension in local, national and international realms - still in the midst of a global pandemic, democracies under pressure and Human Rights threats around the globe - we are proud to welcome yet another cohort - 24 engaged Fellows - and to continue our support to pluralistic voices working towards advancing social justice in Denmark and abroad.

*Mikaela v. Freiesleben*

**Mikaela v. Freiesleben**  
National Director  
Humanity in Action Denmark

# INTRODUCTION TO

## OUR THEME:

Ríkisfelagsskapurin og mannarættindi

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For the second year out of three, the Copenhagen Fellowship will delve into the complex issues of *Rigsfællesskabet* - the Unity of the Realm - through the lens of Human Rights.

In Denmark, the Unity of the Realm refers to the relationship between Denmark, the Faroe Islands and Greenland, collectively known as The Danish Realm. Since 1380 the Faroe Islands have been under the Crown of Denmark, and Greenland likewise since the Danish-Norwegian priest Hans Egede set foot on Greenlandic shores in 1721 - 300 years ago.

Since then, the relationship between Denmark, Greenland and the Faroe Islands has been changing rapidly. Climate change, the increasing focus on Denmark's colonial past, and a growing political independence are shaping new possibilities for the future of these three countries.

These developments, not to mention the increasing focus on the Arctic region by the world's super powers, create an urgent need for enlightened and democratic conversations. Conversations on how to keep the development in the region sustainable, peaceful, and with respect for Human Rights and the rights of the individual.

Yet, many people in Denmark, let alone abroad, know little to nothing about this social and political union and its implications for the people living within it - and for the world.

The 2021 Copenhagen Fellowship will examine the union's long and complex history from a Human Rights perspective, and the relationship between the majority in Denmark and the country's minorities across the North Atlantic, as well as the union's place in a globalized world. Thus, the Fellowship deals with the changing nature of globalization, modernity, identity, and democracy. Our aim with this theme is thus to ensure that more people can take part in - and shape - the urgent conversation on the future of the Unity of the Realm and the Arctic region in respect of democratic values and Human Rights.

*"The facts presented were staggering, the stories told were incredibly touching, and together this provided us with valuable insights into the complex history and relationship between Denmark, the Faroe Islands and Greenland." Malthe Gronert, 2020 Cph Fellow.*



# PRACTICAL INFORMATION

## Getting Ready for the Fellowship

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# EVERYTHING YOU NEED TO KNOW

## from lunch and locations to program components and covid

We are excited to see you soon and to begin this year's *in-real-life* Fellowship! Below you will find important details that you should take note of before August 9, when the Fellowship begins, including the list of readings that we will ask you to prepare in advance.

The in-person program will be run by the Humanity in Action Denmark staff consisting of **Mikaela v. Freiesleben**, National Director, **Benedikte Møllegarad Raft**, Program Coordinator, **Catalina Catana** and **Anna Maryam Smith**, Program Assistants. The four of us will be present throughout the program and will always be available to assist you with anything relating to the program. You can find our contact details at the end of this booklet. We're looking forward to getting to know all of you better!

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### GOING TO THE FAROE ISLANDS

The Copenhagen Fellowship will - for the first time in the history of Humanity in Action Denmark - include a study trip to the Faroe Islands. The purpose of this trip is to ensure representation of local perspectives and voices, as well as ensuring that the debates about the Faroe Islands are locally anchored. On the trip we will meet and engage with a group of socially engaged Faroese youth on a two-day seminar, organized by Humanity in Action.

The program - and practical information - for the 6 day visit to the Faroe Islands can be found in a separate booklet. However, you can see an overview of the program in this booklet on page 52.

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### LOCATIONS DURING THE COPENHAGEN FELLOWSHIP

The Copenhagen Fellowship will take place in several different locations in Copenhagen (see list with addresses at the back of this booklet).

Importantly, Fellows and staff must respect the spaces that we have been invited into. We expect you will keep them in good shape and order and be mindful of other activities that might take place in these locations while we are there.

We are all in this space together. It is therefore important that we keep the places clean and tidy, which also means that we have to tidy up after ourselves and store tables and chairs away at the end of the day.

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## Karens Minde Kulturhus

Karens Minde Kulturhus (Karen's Memorial Culture House) is our main venue for the Fellowship, and the place where we will be spending most of our days. Originally an asylum, the house now serves as a multipurpose space, often rented out as a venue for various events.

Karens Minde is located in Sydhavnen (South Harbour), a district in southern Copenhagen. Sydhavnen is largely a former working class district and a less trodden path in Copenhagen, but has lately seen an architectural boom and now also contains upscale residential areas along the harbour as well as parks and recreational areas.



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## Nordatlantens Brygge

The North Atlantic House is an art and cultural center situated in a 16th century warehouse. For more than 200 years Nordatlantens Brygge was the centre of shipping traffic between Denmark and the North Atlantic. These days, other ports serve the North Atlantic market, and the historic warehouse is now a thriving cultural centre, dedicated to the art and culture of Denmark's former North Atlantic colonies: Greenland, the Faroe Islands, and Iceland. In the house you will also find the Faroese and Greenlandic Representations, the Icelandic Embassy as well as the national tourist boards of these three countries.

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## Kalaallit Illuusaat

Kalaallit Illuusaat (the Greenlandic House) creates a bridge between Denmark and Greenland and is a meeting place for Danish Greenlanders and Greenland-curious people. The house organizes cultural activities and is located in the inner city of Copenhagen.



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## Johan Borups Højskole

Johan Borups Højskole is a folk high school located in the center of Copenhagen. Humanity in Action Denmark has through the years collaborated many times with Borups Højskole on various events and 2021 is no exception. Our two Open Events are thus a product of this fruitful cooperation, and will be located at the Højskole. We're looking forward to yet again visit these beautiful surroundings.



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## GETTING TO/FROM EVERYTHING

It is your own responsibility to transport yourself to and from our various locations. Should you, however, have any issues with getting to the locations, you may always contact the staff.

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## LUNCH - THE CONCEPT OF YOYO

As announced, we will unfortunately not be able to provide lunch everyday during the program. However, we have managed to strike a good deal with the in house café at Karens Minde Kulturhus, thus we will provide lunch for you the first week of the Cph Fellowship! Courtesy of Humanity in Action Denmark :)

Week 2 and some days of week 3 you are on your own concerning lunch. You're going **yoyo!**

These days you can either bring your own lunch or buy food in the café. We have a small kitchen and refrigerator available. Or feel free to ask us for recommendations!

To see which days are yoyo-days, please refer to the day-by-day schedule below.

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## NORTH ATLANTIC RAINBOW DAYS

During our Fellowship we will take part in a couple of events under the North Atlantic Rainbow Days. These days are organized by Nordatlantens Brygge as part of the Copenhagen Pride Week, with HIA Denmark as a partner.

If you would like to attend more of their events, e.g. watch the Faroese film "Dreams By the Sea" (w/ English subtitles), you have to buy a ticket and sign up here: [www.nordatlantens.dk](http://www.nordatlantens.dk)

# IMPORTANT PROGRAM COMPONENTS

## what's on our schedule and why

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### CHECK-IN and CHECK-OUT

CHECK IN and CHECK OUT are important components of our everyday schedule which will manifest the beginning and the end of our day. They will usually take around 15 minutes. These are meant to be spaces of transition where we prepare ourselves to either begin or to end our day together. They might sometimes include exercises inspired by meditation or mindfulness, and they are also open for your suggestions on how to start and end our day in a meaningful way. It is also a space for asking short questions regarding the course of the day.

We expect you to be in time and be ready every morning for our check in.

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### GROUP VALUES

We are in this space together, we are learning together and discussing with one another, sometimes emotional topics close to our hearts. We'll begin this Fellowship by exploring our values

and determining our group values together. E.g. How do we want to learn together in a respectful manner? What does respect mean to you? And what kind of behaviour supports respectful listening? See below for more thoughts on values.

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### GROUP DISCUSSIONS

We have set aside time for a group discussion on many days. We will invite you to take turns in leading these discussions. The aim is to provide you with a space to discuss the topics in greater depths beyond what the lectures leave time for. These discussions can also focus on topics you feel we have left out all together from the program or something that you are passionate about and want to explore with your fellow Fellows. This is the space for it. Sign up in the beginning of the program to lead a discussion.

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### SPEAKER PRESENTATIONS

We would like all of you to introduce a speaker each, before their lecture. Sign up for a speaker in the beginning of the program.

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## LECTURES

Each day we will have lectures focusing on different aspects of our theme. The lectures will vary in length and style because the lecturers vary. Some will be more workshop oriented, others will be discussion oriented, but many will also be in form of classical lectures. We have encouraged all of our lecturers to leave good time for Q&A, but in our experience, there is never enough time, hence we have created space for group discussions.

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## BREATHING SPACE

On the first day of our Fellowship we will introduce and guide you through a short meditation. We call the meditation *Breathing Space*. This is a simple meditation that restitutes the brain and the body, which can be useful and soothing during the day or after a long day. The meditation can also help increase focus, concentration, and presence. We will offer this meditation daily for those who find it soothing and helpful.

The breathing space will take place every day - when possible - for the last 10 minutes of the lunch break.

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## OPEN EVENTS

Some of our events during the Fellowship will be open to the public and friends of Humanity in Action. Please feel free to invite family and friends to these events. Friends and family can sign up to these events in a special form which will be send out separately.

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## ACTION PROJECT WORKSHOP

The Action Project Workshops will help you develop, plan and execute your Action Project. We have 2 workshops of 2-2½ hours to inspire you to go from Passion to Action. At our Senior Fellow ACTION DAY on September 11, all 2021 Fellows will pitch their Action Project idea for the audience. We will provide you with a more detailed description of what an Action Project is or can be, and how to pitch your project at the Action Project Workshops. Please read more about Action Projects under the headline: "Turning Knowledge Into Action".



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## SENIOR FELLOW ACTION DAY

This day is a day by senior fellows for senior fellows - and you, the cohort of 2021. It is a full day organised by senior fellows for you to get to know them and for them to get to know you, rekindle old friendships, and strengthen the Humanity in Action network. We are inviting all Senior Fellows from the previous 24 years to come, hold workshops for one another and listen to lectures by one another. We will end the day with a dinner and See-You-Again-Soon Party!

Senior Fellow Action Day will take place on September 11, 2021 at Borups Højskole.

Sign up by September 1, here:



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## IMPORTANT DATES AND DEADLINES

**AUGUST 9 - 21, 2021**

**2021 Copenhagen Fellowship  
in Copenhagen**

**AUGUST 23 - 29, 2021**

**2021 Copenhagen Fellowship  
in the Faroe Islands**

**SEPTEMBER 1, 2021**

**Submit Action Project Proposal**

**SEPTEMBER 11, 2021**

**Senior Fellow Action Day.  
Read more in the column  
to the left.**

**SEPTEMBER 25, 2021**

**Submit Letter to the Board**

**SEPTEMBER 25, 2021**

**Submit Written End-Evaluation**

**SEPTEMBER 1, 2022**

**Action Project Completed!**

# CREATING CONSTRUCTIVE DIALOGUE THROUGH COMMON VALUES

## what does this mean to you?

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### GOOD AND CONSTRUCTIVE DIALOGUE

A good, open, and respectful dialogue is crucial for change and therefore crucial for Humanity in Action. Throughout the Fellowship we will work together to achieve good and constructive dialogues.

We communicate with each other all the time, therefore, how we communicate is central to the way we interact as human beings and how we function as a group. Together we will work to create the best possible foundation for good and constructive dialogue and communication - when we agree as well as when we disagree.

But what determines a "good" dialogue or a "good" conversation? A good dialogue and a good conversation can have many forms and we may interpret it in many different ways. Humanity in Action emphasizes an open and inclusive dialogue as an important value in regards to "good" communication.

But what is it to you? In collaboration you will define what good communication means to you, the 2021 Fellowship cohort, and you will create a foundation of common group values.

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### WHAT ARE VALUES

- *Values can be said to be culturally determined perceptions of what is valuable and desirable, and what is not.*
- *Every human being lives their life on a basis of their own values which often have been determined in an early stage of life.*
- *Our day to day actions are influenced by our values, often without conscious awareness. These implicit values are shown through our interactions with others.*

Values are more often than not implied and not necessarily mentioned explicitly, but show themselves through our opinions and actions. Without the explicit

verbalisation, values are expressed through our communication and attitudes towards other people. This can be expressed in the way we begin and end a conversation, how we listen, how we respond, if we are attentive towards the other person, and finally what words we choose when we speak with each other.

Therefore it is important to be conscious of the words we use and the underlying values they express.

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## WHAT ARE VALUES TO YOU?

We are curious to know what values you would like to be present during the Fellowship in order to create open and constructive communication. Throughout the Fellowship, we will explore which values are especially important to you and how you would like them to be expressed in the way we communicate with each other.





# COVID-19 REGULATIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

your effort - everyone's safety

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## OUR RESPONSIBILITY

For over twenty years, we have had the immense privilege of being able to facilitate our Fellowship every year in June. The past year and a half have challenged us in unprecedented ways (as they have everyone), and have pushed us to adapt our format to ensure the safety of everyone involved - which has always been our absolute top priority. Humanity in Action has, and continues to take, the Covid-19 pandemic very seriously. We are practicing all necessary safety precautions put forth by the Danish government to ensure the program's smooth execution and the safety of everyone involved, Fellows, staff, speakers and guests.

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## COVID PASSPORT AND TESTS

In order to eat in restaurants and be in other public indoor spaces (i.e. museums, movie theatres, etc.), you have to obtain a "corona passport", which consists of either a negative Covid-19 test (no older than 72 hours) or proof of vaccination shown in the Danish corona passport app. If you wish to get tested in Copenhagen, you can do

so at any of the free testing centres around the city. If you are not a Danish citizen or resident you must register on [www.ssi.dk/covidresults-guidance](http://www.ssi.dk/covidresults-guidance) to get tested and access your results. Please let us know if you have any questions about this process.

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## GENERAL HIA GUIDELINES - PLEASE OBSERVE DURING OUR FELLOWSHIP FOR THE SAFETY OF EVERYONE

**Arrive on August 9 with a fresh, negative COVID-19 test, PCR or antigen (even if you are fully vaccinated), and get tested regularly during the Fellowship, preferably once-twice a week.**

**Wash hands regularly and use hand sanitizer.**

**Wear a mask on public transportation, especially when standing.**

**Keep a safe distance, at least two meters, between you and others.**

**If you feel sick, stay at home and notify us immediately.**

**Limit contact with people outside of your circle.**

# CODE OF CONDUCT

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Humanity in Action is committed to providing a respectful environment to all those involved in its programs. Fellows, Senior Fellows, Staff, Program Interns and Board Members in all participating countries (collectively, "Network Members") are ambassadors of Humanity in Action and should demonstrate appropriate conduct in the programs and in public during the duration of Humanity in Action programs.

This Code of Conduct describes Humanity in Action's expectations for the behavior of its Network Members throughout their participation in the Fellowship programs and all other network activities. The envisioned purpose of this Code of Conduct is to promote a constructive learning environment for all Network Members, particularly our Fellows. Guest speakers, volunteers, freelancers and trainers will also be informed about our network's Code of Conduct.

The Code of Conduct is not intended to be comprehensive or to address all possible applications of, or exceptions to, Humanity in Action's expectations, nor is it intended to in any way limit a Network Member's rights to communicate with a government agency, as provided for, protected under or warranted by applicable law. In addition, we understand that different terms mean different things in different contexts, languages and countries. If you have any questions, please ask for clarification.

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## RESPECT FOR OTHER NETWORK MEMBERS, VOLUNTEERS, GUEST SPEAKERS, TRAINERS AND FREELANCERS

All Network Members approach each other with respect. The themes presented during Humanity in Action programs are challenging, often contested, highly complex and potentially sensitive. Network Members are expected to approach and engage in discussions with respect, maturity, honesty, and an openness to explore their own perspectives and those of others in ways that are constructive for each individual and the group.

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## RESPECT FOR GUEST SPEAKERS AND TRAINERS

Network Members approach guest speakers and trainers with respect and with a desire to learn – even from guest speakers with whom they strongly disagree. Humanity in Action does not assume that Network Members will agree with all the viewpoints presented by all guest speakers. Humanity in Action encourages Network Members to communicate their disagreements in a respectful and constructive manner.

Network Members may attend sessions during the programs that are sensitive in subject matter, confidential, or off-the-record. They agree to follow the requests of guest speakers and the Staff regarding confidentiality, attribution, recording/photography and social media.

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## **RESPECT FOR HOSTS AND ACCOMMODATIONS**

Network Members comport themselves in places of accommodation – whether hotels, hostels, homestays or other locations – with respect and comply with any associated rules or standards of conduct. Non-Network Members cannot stay overnight in any Humanity in Action-sponsored accommodations without pre-approval from Staff and, where applicable, homestay hosts. If placed in homestays, Network Members should be sensitive to their hosts' expectations and show openness and eagerness to get to know the hosts and their families.

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## **ACTIVE PARTICIPATION, ATTENDANCE AND TIMELINESS**

Network Members are expected to be active participants and to attend each scheduled session at the designated times. Should a Network Member need to arrive late, the Network Member should contact Staff in advance. Staff may excuse absences on a case-by-case basis.

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## **DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION**

Humanity in Action believes in the value of diversity and is committed to actively creating an environment where each Network Member feels empowered to learn, grow, and maximize their personal contribution. Celebrating the similarities and differences that shape each of us is important and will help

spread our mission. We promote an inclusive atmosphere and ensure that our Network Members are always treated with dignity and respect.

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## **NO DISCRIMINATION AND/OR HARASSMENT AND MAINTAINING CULTURAL SENSITIVITY**

Humanity in Action is committed to providing an environment where people are free from any form of harassment, discrimination, abuse, and retaliation. Network Members are prohibited from harassing or discriminating against anyone on the basis of racial identifiers or race, color, sex, religion, ethnicity, national origin, ancestry, citizenship, age, disability, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, pregnancy, marital/familial status, military or veteran status, genetic information, cultural, social, political, economic differences and/or any other characteristic protected by applicable national, state or local law.

As such, Network Members are expected to be cognizant of, and sensitive to, differences in both historical and contemporary contexts.

Network Members are also expected to recognize that some of the beliefs and behaviors could pertain to these different contexts. Although misunderstandings may occur Network Members should always show respect and a willingness to understand and work through these differences both respectfully and constructively.

In addition, as noted above, sexual harassment will not be tolerated by Humanity in Action. For purposes of the Code of Conduct, sexual harassment

includes harassment on the basis of sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, and the status of being transgender. Sexual harassment is not accepted in Humanity in Action, whether it includes any unwelcome sexual advances, requests for sexual favors and other verbal, physical or visual conduct of a sexual nature when any of the following occur:

- Submission to such conduct is made either explicitly or implicitly a term or condition of an individual's employment or status in a program or activity;
- Submission to, or rejection of, such conduct by an individual is used as the basis for program decisions affecting that individual; or
- Such conduct has the purpose or effect of unreasonably interfering with an individual's participation in the network or of creating an intimidating, hostile or offensive program environment even if the complaining individual is not the intended target of the sexual harassment.

A sexually harassing environment includes, but is not limited to, words, signs, jokes, pranks, intimidation or physical violence which are of a sexual nature or which are directed at an individual because of that individual's sex. Sexual harassment may also consist of unwanted verbal or physical advances, sexually explicit derogatory statements or sexually discriminatory remarks. Sexual harassment can occur between any individuals, regardless of their sex or gender. A harasser can be any Network Member, guest speaker, trainers, volunteers, freelancers and/ or other visitor.

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## **NATIONAL AND LOCAL LAW**

All Network Members must follow the laws governing the countries, states, municipalities, and cities where

Humanity in Action activities take place and are susceptible to associated penalties for violations of those laws. If any matter is referred to the national authorities, it will be addressed in accordance with applicable law.

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## **ADJUDICATION**

If a potential violation of the Code of Conduct occurs, Humanity in Action asks Network Members to promptly inform a Program Director, Program Manager and/or Ombudsperson so Humanity in Action can promptly and thoroughly review and respond appropriately. When possible and appropriate, Humanity in Action will provide a warning of a breach of the Code of Conduct to Network Members and give them the opportunity to amend their behavior.

Humanity in Action will address issues on a case-by-case basis. Serious breaches of the Code of Conduct could lead Humanity in Action to dismiss immediately a Network Member from a program and/or the Network at the individual's own expense.

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## **AND: LAST BUT NOT LEAST: CREATING CONSTRUCTIVE DEBATE**

We will be engaging in various debates and discussions throughout the fellowship, some of which might be more intensely debated than others. It is important that we focus on creating constructive conversation, with a focus on listening to others before responding. If you have any ideas for discussion topics during the fellowship, please contact one of the staff members and we will make sure it is included.

# Meet our ombudsperson



## **ANNE KATRINE EBBESEN**

2013 Senior Fellow, Head of Communications,  
Greater Copenhagen Fire Department

As in society at large, also in Humanity in Action's educational programs, and in other ventures of the Humanity in Action community, situations that are in violation of the organization's code of conduct can arise. Humanity in Action is committed to providing an open, respectful, and safe environment for its Fellows, Senior Fellows, Program Interns, Staff, Board Members, speakers, partners, and others involved in its programs. Anne Katrine Ebbesen is our Ombudsperson, our designated point of contact to serve members of the Humanity in Action network, including the Fellows of this program, who experience abusive, racist, sexist, homophobic, or other forms of discriminatory behavior that emanate from other members of the network.

Senior Fellow (2013) and Lantos Congressional Fellow (2014), Anne Katrine Ebbesen is an active Senior Fellow and ombudsperson of Humanity in Action Denmark. With a BA and MA in Rhetoric from the University of Copenhagen, specializing in minority studies, nationalism and campaign analysis, she is also trained in conflict resolution and inter-religious dialogue from programs in Lebanon, Armenia and Denmark. Anne Katrine has worked as a risk assessment officer on EU infrastructure projects for the department of transport, project manager of a migration policy project for The Danish National Church and is currently head of communications at the Greater Copenhagen Fire Department in their department of education, training and emergency preparedness.

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# BEYOND THE PROGRAM

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# A LIFE-LONG ENGAGEMENT

## being a Humanity in Action Fellow

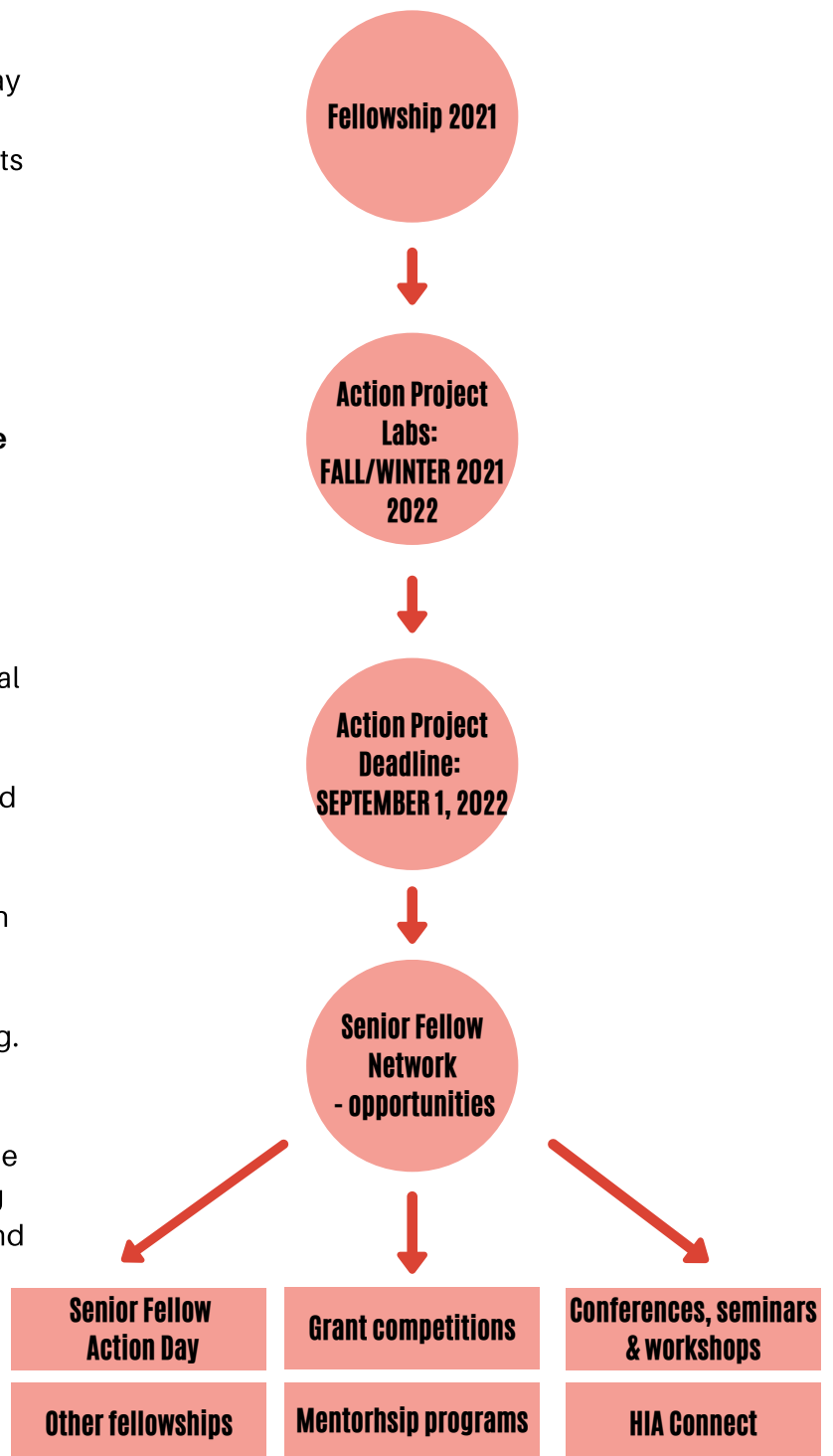
### THE FELLOWSHIP JOURNEY

The Humanity in Action Fellowship may only last for a month, but an engagement in Humanity in Action lasts for much longer.

After the Fellowship part I and II - the virtual and in-person Fellowship - we will continue with part III, the Action Project Lab series in the fall/winter of 2021 and 2022. **These workshops are created for you** - to help you plan for your Action Project, and realize your visions for social change!

During and/or after the lab series it's *your* time to develop *your* own personal Action Project!

The Humanity In Action Fellowship and your Action Project will be your entryway into a global network of people dedicated to promoting human rights, diversity and active citizenship around the world, and there are many ways to engage in this network. The fig. to the right shows each Fellow's progression through Humanity in Action, starting with the Fellowship, the Action Project Lab series, the planning and execution of the Action Project, and the Senior Fellow opportunities available to you afterwards. See more about these opportunities on our website.



# ACTION PROJECTS

## turning knowledge into Action

As a Humanity in Action Fellow, you must plan and implement an Action Project - a hands-on initiative inspired by your Fellowship experience. Action Projects give you the opportunity to take what you have learned during the Fellowship programs and use that knowledge to address real-life issues in your own communities. The projects reflect each Fellow's unique experience and interests. Action Projects may take many different forms, including community service, public advocacy, art projects, lectures, conferences, and social entrepreneurship. Below you can find examples of Action Projects carried out by Copenhagen Fellows.

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### NO STRAWS ATTACHED (2018)

An international campaign to end the use of plastic straws. By 2018 Copenhagen fellow Priyanka Kalra.

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### ESCAPE4YOUTH (2019)

An ESCAPE ROOM for youth aiming to strengthen democratic participation. By 2019 Copenhagen fellows Kristina Møller and Frederik Kirk.

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### SHE Talks (2017)

A safe space sex-ed program for young Nigerian girls. By 2017 Copenhagen fellow Faith Oloruntoba.

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### GLOBAL HEALTH IN THE STREETS OF AARHUS (2017)

Creating awareness of social aspects of global health issues by biking around Aarhus with a trailer in tow. By 2017 Copenhagen fellow Simon Bruun Bech.





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*International Webinar #1*

**NOVEMBER 10, 2021, 18:00 - 20:00**

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**DECEMBER 16, 2021, 18:00 - 20:00**

## **STORYTELLING FOR IMPACT**

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**JANUARY 19, 2022, 18:00 - 20:00**

## **DEADLINE: PRESENTING ACTION PROJECT PITCH**

*In National Cohorts - online workshop*

**FEBRUARY 15, 2022, 18:00 - 20:00**

## **SOCIAL MEDIA AND SOCIAL JUSTICE**

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**SEPTEMBER 1, 2022**

## **DEADLINE: FELLOWS HAVE IMPLEMENTED THEIR ACTION PROJECTS**



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**ANABEL SORIANO  
OLIVA**

Originally from Spain, Anabel is about to finish her MSc in Global Refugees Studies at Aalborg University CPH. With a background in Philosophy, she has mainly focused on feminism and contemporary philosophy. Nowadays, Anabel is researching “Emptied Spain” and the imaginaries that inhabited it through different artistic expressions. Previously, she has participated in several artistic projects such as the co-creation of fanzines or an alternative radio program named ‘Filosofía y Ginebra’. Considering this, her ultimate goal is to approach different disciplines as vehicles to use social and philosophical theory for interrogating current socio-political issues.

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**AUGUSTA BORK  
LARSEN**

Augusta was born and raised in Denmark. Augusta is currently studying law at Copenhagen University, and through her studies, aspires to participate in the fight against social injustice. Augusta has always been interested in society and the world we live in and have through several long periods abroad sought to experience and understand the conditions of the world. Augusta is especially occupied with improving education in a compassionate way, and she has created learning resources focused on facilitating challenging conver-

sations on feminism, democracy, and discrimination. Augusta has worked with creating awareness, sparking curiosity, and engaging first-time voters in the democratic process. Augusta participated in the Nordplus Exchange program, a gathering centered on investigating the benefits of the Nordic welfare system and “the Nordic identity”. Augusta is currently involved with European Horizons, which aims to actively include young people in shaping the future of Europe and transatlantic relations.

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**CARLA FLORIO**

Born in Venezuela, Carla is a MA candidate at Aalborg University, Denmark in Development and International Relations. While in Copenhagen, she volunteered as a project coordinator on a program to prevent children’s separation in Colombia and participated in DIGNITY’s Talent Programme. Before Denmark, Carla received her BA in International Relations at Pontificia Universidad Javeriana in Colombia, where she was awarded a diploma for being the best student of her cohort. While living there, she did an internship at the Palestinian Embassy and worked at a start-up company as a Key Account Manager. Passionate about culture and the environment, Carla has been involved in different projects that range from campaigning to start a recycling program in her city, Maracaibo, to founding the “Citizen’s Culture Group” at her University in Colombia. In her free time, Carla enjoys reading, travelling, and spending time with all kinds of people.



## CINTIA BARTUS

Cintia Bartus is a Hungarian student, she recently acquired her master's degree in Development & International Relations at Aalborg University, Denmark. She has previously been involved in advocacy work concerning human rights issues in the Middle East. Cintia now works with Amnesty International, raising awareness on gender-related issues such as the Mexican feminist movement or the homecoming of foreign female fighters. Her primary focus is on politics, cultural diversity and gender equality. She also shares a great interest in the Danish realm, specifically of Greenland and the Greenlandic identity.

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## CONRAD AMINAK

Conrad Aminak is a Greenlandic student in Odense, Denmark. He was born and raised in Tasiilaq, an Eastern Greenland city, and is currently living in Denmark where he studies Financial Economy. He fights for equal representation for voices of youth from smaller and bigger places in Greenland, and he is working to raise awareness of societal issues among young Greenlanders in Greenland today. Societal issues such as suicide, sexual abuse, and alcoholism. Greenland is an autonomous territory within the Kingdom of Denmark. The population is concentrated mainly on the southwest coast, while the rest of the island is

sparsely populated. Because of this it is difficult for Greenlanders to get help when it comes to these serious challenges. That is why Conrad reaches out to the World to secure help for those who doesn't have a voice to reach out for themselves.

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## IMANE BELLADEM

Imane Bellaadem is human rights defender and activist from BiH. She completed her BA in Law and a MA in human rights and democracy at the University of Sarajevo. During her studies, she volunteered in many local organizations working on issues related to youth development and youth policies. Currently, Imane is working on issues concerning civil and political rights in the region, environment for human rights defenders and freedom of expression. Her interests are civil rights, minorities, and environmental human rights.

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## JIMENA RINCON

Jimena Rincon was born and raised in Colombia, but having lived in more than five countries, she considers herself a citizen of the world. Currently, she is based in Copenhagen, where she just received her MA degree in Applied Cultural Analysis. She combines human-based research with advocacy directed to public policy, the general public, and the NGO sector. Her most recent work has been in relation to political agency in war-ridden areas, historical racism and its impacts on contemporary public policy, and supporting indigenous/farmers struggles in Latin America and Asia. When she wants to take a break from politics, advocacy, and ethnography, she loves to dance to Afro-Caribbean music and cumbia. She also practices ballet, yoga, and is into getting to know different spiritual and philosophical approaches to life.



## JOAKIM HOLMGAARD

Joakim Nørkjær Holmgaard is a student of International Relations and Development Studies with a great interest in Arctic affairs. During his academic career, he has written projects dealing with issues concerning systemic inequality, often related to post-colonial ties, and the mechanisms that keep

these inequalities in place. As an activist advocating for humanitarian values, Joakim is currently a board member of the organisation DFUNK (Danish Refugee Council Youth) and has been engaged in the organisation for many years. He has shared the stories and experiences of young refugees in Denmark and has raised public awareness by facilitating debates and lectures.



## JOSEPHINE RAVNKJÆR NIELSEN

Josephine Ravnkjær is a Danish university student, currently enrolled in the Human Rights Bachelor Program at Malmö University. She is interested in women's rights, sex workers' rights, and the fight against discrimination in the media. Josephine previously travelled to Kenya as a part of Action Aid's Danish division Mellemløst Samvirke. She is now a part of their network of narrators, helping to widen the perspective on the global world through presentations and discussions. Her personal focus is on the discussion of how bias and discrimination are maintained in our everyday lives. Josephine has also been involved with Red Cross, working with kids at a crisis centre. She enjoys writing and hopes to be able to publish articles throughout her studies and beyond.



## JULIE H. NIELSEN

Julie H. Nielsen is a Danish, politically active, human rights and humanitarian law enthusiast. Furthermore, she is a roller derby player, amateur photographer and plant-based environmentalist. She is an educated cultural sociologist and currently enrolled in the Master's program of International Security and Law at University of Southern Denmark, which she is finishing in the summer of 2021. Julie has volunteered and worked with human rights in several different NGO's and private projects, amongst which are the Danish Institute for Human Rights and Red Cross Copenhagen, and she is a former intern at the Danish embassy of Ukraine. Currently, Julie is a steering group member of Ius Humanum, and working on spreading awareness of human rights issues in Denmark and beyond, via podcast, events and social media. Additionally, she is a Board member of the Copenhagen Roller Derby league and volunteering with Fountain House Copenhagen

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## KAILA BOLTON

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## KANITA BULJUBAŠIĆ

Kanita Buljubašić graduated psychology at the Faculty of Philosophy of the University of Sarajevo and is currently enrolled in a MSc program, developing her research master thesis in the area of social psychology. She has been volunteering and working with various non-profit organizations, such as NARKO-NE, the Foundation of local democracy (working with kids in the Safe House). She was also an intern at Social Innovation Incubator MUNJA working on the hocu.ba info youth platform. Furthermore, she is a member of The Association of Psychology Students "SINAPSA." Since her first-year as an undergraduate student, she has been a part of the co-organizing committee of the 3rd European Federation of Psychology Students Associations Conference in Sarajevo, which brought together psychology students from around the world. Her area of interest is working with youth, women, and vulnerable groups. She would like to continue to work in similar programs covering multiple themes regarding human rights.



## LASSE SØRENSEN

Lasse Sørensen is a Danish journalist living in Copenhagen. He is the co-founder and editor-in-chief for the Postcolonial. Other than editing and publishing content, he frequently produces journalistic products for the Postcolonial. Lasse mainly focuses on issues in Southeast Asia. He keeps a sharp eye on Indonesia, Thailand, Singapore, and Myanmar. His key interests include postcolonial tendencies, human rights issues, and Western business interference in the region. His work has been featured in multiple publications including, Danish daily Politiken, the award-winning University Post, foreign affairs focused Globalnyt, Indonesian feminist publication Magdalene and major Swedish broadcast channel SVT. He has a BA in Indonesian/Southeast Asia studies with electives in comparative culture studies from the University of Copenhagen, an MA in the Psychology of language with electives in video journalism at Monash University, and an MSc in Investigative Journalism from the University of Gothenburg.



## LISA TREBS

Lisa Trebs is a graduate from the Institute of Development Studies (IDS), UK with a MA in Development Studies. She holds a BA in International Studies and Cultural Encounters from Roskilde University,

Denmark. Lisa specialized in conflict and gender issues and has had the chance to conduct fieldwork in China, Nigeria and Namibia. Most recently, Lisa worked as an intern at Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) supporting multi-stakeholder partnerships for the achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals. Previously, she worked as a Research Assistant at IDS, investigating the role of China in international development, South-South cooperation, and urbanization processes. She gained professional experience at the NGO Reach Out, the Critical Edge Alliance, and the Goethe Institute. Lisa is the co-founder of the global student magazine Critical Edges and supported different NGOs as a volunteer, including Global Justice Now, the United Nations' Youth Association Denmark, and 180 Degrees Consulting.



## MERIEM-HADIA CHARIF

Meriem-Hadia Charif is a Danish-Algerian student currently finishing her BBA (Bachelor's in Business Administration) at Copenhagen Business School. She is hoping to follow a path within social science or welfare studies in order to improve the local community for minorities in Denmark and by extension Europe. Meriem-Hadia is interested in interrelations between countries and ethnicities that fall outside the "Western sphere", colonial legacies on different cultures, how to combat systemic oppression and most importantly how to use art to empower and lift communities. This summer she will be published through the publisher 'Kronstork' - a short story that deals with female generational narratives.

*Advarsler for Folkedrab 2018*



## SARA MONGGAARD

Sara Monggaard is a Danish activist, researcher, student, and comrade. She works within, against, and beyond her educational institution in an attempt to affirm and construct spaces of disidentification with dominant cultures. She is particularly interested in and a student of abolitionist teachings, and can therefore spend hours on end discussing community accountability, transformative justice, and mutual aid with friends and foe. Currently, Sara works passionately with 'alternative' educational projects, ranging from UWC short courses and digital teachins to book clubs and zine-making events – feeling both affirmed and inspired within radical spheres. In keeping with that, Sara likes learning and trying out numerous ways of resisting dominant paradigms in simple but substantial ways, recently this has included but not been limited to knitting, pole dancing, roller skating, gardening, and journaling – killjoying every step of the way.



## SOFIE MALM HENRIKSEN

Sofie is born and raised in Denmark but has been residing in Helsinki for the past three years. She holds a BA in Intercultural Encounters & Philosophy from Roskilde University and a MA in Intercultural Encounters from University of Helsinki. She is interested in

epistemological pluralism and inclusive knowledge production, especially in regard to Indigenous peoples. Her master's thesis problematized the power relations embedded in Danish knowledge production concerning Greenlandic matters, and how this sustains an unequal relationship within the Unity of the Realm. Furthermore, she has engaged in partnership-based project work with Rwandan youth to strengthen the youth's position in Rwanda, focusing on democratic values and human rights. In Copenhagen, she has co-founded a scout group for children to give them a break from screens, social media and performance culture. In her free time, she enjoys hiking, cooking and dance battles.



## SIRI HAARLØV- JOHNSEN

Siri grew up in Mozambique, Vietnam, and Swaziland. Holding a Master's degree in Global Development, Siri excels in multi-disciplinary methodology and has a thorough understanding of complex development dynamics. She has a drive for peace and conflict studies, reflected in her academic studies examining Northern Mozambique's escalating conflict. Additionally, Siri completed a prestigious research program with the International Alliance of Research Universities, investigating conflicts experienced by minority groups in Thailand's borders. For the last three years, Siri has been working for the United Nations Development Program, first as an intern and now as a project assistant for the country office in Mozambique. Volunteer work is her passion, and she has contributed actively



to Human Rights Watch as an event facilitator, the IPCC as an expert reviewer, and Student Refugees as an outreach coordinator. Siri has joined HIA hoping to continue her learning journey and to apply this to her work.

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## TERESE BERSENAITE FRELTOFT

Terese Bersénaité Freltoft is a Danish-Lithuanian student born and raised in Denmark, where she grew up in a multicultural environment. She has travelled to more than 30 countries and visited some of the world's most remote locations. Currently, she is studying for her BA in Geography and Geoinformatics at the University of Copenhagen. During her travels and studies, Terese became especially interested in environmental and human rights activism. She plans to concentrate her future studies in these areas, focusing on project management and economics. Her hope is to work in a global NGO and create stronger bonds between the Global North and South. Terese is a member of the main board at the University of Copenhagen Student Sports, which encourages students to have an active lifestyle disregarding language, skin color, or religion. She spends her free time on volleyball, tennis, and winter swimming.



## TUKUMA EGEDE

Tukuma Egede is a proud Inuk with a passion for international relations, indigenous issues, and equity. Throughout her childhood, she has lived in Denmark, Canada, Argentina, and her native country Greenland. Later in life, she lived in Australia and Norway and travelled to Vietnam, Hungary, Myanmar, and Iceland among others. These experiences have provided a deep understanding of differences across borders from a very young age. These experiences have fuelled a fascination, as well as a curiosity, for how the clash of culture and politics shape differences in nations and how this affects the development and identity of nations as well as how this affects how minority groups are treated within the country. She has a BA in Political Science from the University of Southern Denmark.

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## USHA DAHAL

Usha Dahal is a student of MSc Global Health at the University of Copenhagen, and she is graduating in September 2021. Before starting her master's program, she worked in National and International Non-Governmental Organisations, CAED Nepal, and Ipas Nepal. She advocated for women's and child's health rights and implemented

the Safe Abortion Policy in collaboration with the District Health Office, where she contributed to increased access to health care services and reduced morbidity and mortality among women and girls. She has an interest in equality and equity issues in the health and well-being of people affected by contextual factors such as socio-economic, political, and cultural factors. In her leisure time, she reads and writes poetry, and watches movies. She is keen to meet new people and explore nature and different cultures so she often travels to different countries during her vacations.

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realities, and civil society as mediators in between. Besides women's rights, William wants to put a spotlight on anyone being marginalized in various ways, by and within their own reality. He knows that everyone has a story to tell, and he will listen.

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**WILLIAM NIELSEN**

William Nordmark Nielsen is passionate about the world and all its diversity. This includes finding new ways to break down barriers, informing himself and others about the unknown. He believes in storytelling, in all its forms, as nothing speaks to a human being as a narrative, where one is evoked with empathy. He has lived in London, Norway, and Tanzania. With an initial degree in History, he is currently involved in development and globalization studies and its vast span of foci. Thus, working on a thesis on Tanzanian women's land rights, in the midst of the chaotic stratifications in a system of legal pluralities, global regimes, local

# STAFF

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**MIKAELA v.  
FREIESLEBEN**

National Director

Mikaela v. Freiesleben, Ph.D., is the Humanity in Action Denmark's National Director and has a Master's Degree in the Sociology of Religion and Minority Studies from the University of Copenhagen. Her Ph.D., from the Centre for Advanced Migration Studies, University of Copenhagen, analyses discourses of "parallel societies", "ghettoisation" and "social cohesion" in past and present Danish political debate. She has previously been employed at the University of Copenhagen teaching courses in the Minority Studies Section.

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**BENEDIKTE RAFT**

Program Coordinator

Benedikte (she/her) has a B.A. in Political Science from the University of Copenhagen and is particularly interested in topics on gender and cultural studies, critical political theory, and critical race and whiteness theory. She has spent a semester abroad studying at McGill University where she has focused on gender, sexuality, and migration.

Apart from her studies, Benedikte is currently the Treasurer and Board Member at the harm reduction NGO The Red Van, which promotes safety and rights for street-based sex workers in Copenhagen. Moreover, she has contributed to several political art projects regarding social injustice in her local communities and is currently working on a documentary film following migrant women in Denmark.



**CATALINA CATANA**

Program Assistant

Catalina is a global citizen, interested in progressive economics, social justice, and critical political theory. For the last 5 years, she has been working within the private sector, developing her skills within innovation consulting, education design, and strategy in Chisinau, Amsterdam, London, Berlin, and Hanoi. She believes that these skills are transferrable and can bring a lot of value in the context of community development and youth empowerment. Her curiosity about wicked problems and her passion for social equity has led her to engage in numerous voluntary side projects, one of them being The Change Makers Podcast - a series of interviews with change-makers around the world - that aims to raise awareness about changes needed in our behavior, in our society, and in our economy in order to preserve our planet and live more sustainably.

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**ANNA MARYAM  
SMITH**

Program Assistant

Anna Maryam Smith is a rising junior at Wellesley College in Boston studying anthropology and music. She is very interested in human rights, in particular the rights of women and gender minorities, as well as intersectional feminism. She spends lots of her free time doing debate and teaching people about how to gain confidence in public speaking. Her family hosted Humanity in Action fellows for many years, and is very excited to help out.



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# 2021 FELLOWSHIP SPEAKERS

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## **ANDERS JERICHOW**

Chair of Humanity in Action  
Denmark and senior  
Correspondent at Politiken

Anders Jerichow works as a journalist and columnist at the newspaper Politiken, where he has been employed in various positions. He started his journalism career in 1985 at Weekendavisen. From 1998 to 2001, he served as Editor-in-Chief at the daily newspaper Aktuelt before returning to Politiken in 2002 after a short period as Editor-in-Chief at the newspaper Information. He is a keen public commentator and has written and edited several books on international affairs, especially on the Middle East and the Israeli-Palestinian conflict. He is Chair of the Board of Humanity in Action Denmark.

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## **ANNE METTE CHRISTIANSEN**

Senior Sustainability and  
Corporate Responsibility Advisor

Anne Mette has worked with sustainability and corporate responsibility for the past 20 years in various consulting roles. Among other things, she has been a partner with Deloitte, head of Consultancy at Enact Sustainable Strategies and a senior advisor for CSR Greenland, the national CSR network. Anne Mette has lived in Greenland and worked there extensively for the past +10 years. She is also an external lecturer at CBS in Copenhagen, and at a number of other universities.

## **ÁSTA KRISTÍN**

### **BENEDIKTSDÓTTIR**

Literary Scholar and Post-doctoral  
Researcher at the University of  
Iceland

Ásta Kristín Benediktsdóttir is an independent scholar at the Reykjavik Academy and co-editor of the journal Skírnir. She holds a PhD in Icelandic literature and her dissertation (2019) focused on queer themes in the works of Elías Mar from the mid-twentieth century. Her main research interests are queer literature and history, and recently she has co-organised various queer projects, such as A Rainbow Thread (a queer guide through the National Museum of Iceland) and Hidden Women (an archive project on queer women's sexuality in Iceland before 1960). Currently she is writing a chapter on contemporary literature for a new book on Icelandic literary history.

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## **ASTRID NONBO ANDERSEN**

Senior Researcher, Danish  
Institute for International Studies

Astrid Nonbo Andersen's primary research area is historical justice and the politics of history and memory theory. More broadly, her research centres on modern political intellectual history with a special focus on Danish, Scandinavian, and US intellectual history; modern global history; 20th century & contemporary history and legal history. Theoretically she is particularly interested in sovereignty studies, memory theory, post- and decolonial studies, legal philosophy, and philosophy of history. She is also interested in climate justice, climate politics and the rights of nature. Her research on historical justice, reconciliation and restitution focuses on Scandinavia.

Astrid Nonbo Andersen is presently working on a research project on the Truth and/or Reconciliation processes in Norway, Sweden and Finland.

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## **AYDIN SOEI**

Sociologist and Author

Aydin Soei has a Master's Degree in Sociology from the University of Southern Denmark, specializing in society's vulnerable youngsters, citizenship, social mobility, and risk factors in relation to criminality and youth. Having authored several books about this topic, Soei is very prevalent in the public debates about socially deprived areas, immigration, radicalization, racialisation, and integration. Soei's latest book "Fædre" (Fathers) from 2020, is a book with conversations and reflections from five fathers with immigrant or refugee backgrounds in Denmark on becoming fathers themselves and dealing with their own fathers.

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## **BJÖRN LINGNER**

External Lecturer, Roskilde University

Björn Lingner has a Master's Degree in Cultural Encounters from Roskilde University, where he is currently employed as a part-time lecturer in the same subject. He works within the fields of Cultural Studies, Postcolonial Studies as well as Critical Race and Whiteness Studies, with postcolonial Denmark as the primary focus. Lingner has published a monograph on Thorkild Hansen's "Slave Trilogy", as well as articles on related subjects. Lingner is also a member of the editorial board of the postcolonial online journal KULT and occasionally offers guided tours through Copenhagen as a postcolonial space.

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## **CLEMENT KJÆRSGAARD**

TV Anchor, Editor, and Public Speaker

Clement Kjersgaard holds a MA in Philosophy, Politics, and Economics from the University of Oxford. He is a TV anchor at the Danish Broadcasting Corporation, DR, where he hosts the TV shows Debatten and Vi ses hos Clement and is used for a variety of other political news programs. In 2002, he founded the independent non-profit magazine Ræson which covers Danish and international politics through their website, magazine, books, and events. Kjersgaard works both as a moderator and speaker where he covers different national and international topics. He has been listed as Denmark's most powerful journalist (2011), has won a number of prizes such as Publicistprisen and Den Berlingske Fonds Journalist Pris, and last year he was nominated for Best European Journalist of the Year at the Prix Europe Festival.

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## **JENS HEINRICH**

Acting Head of the Greenlandic Representation in Copenhagen

Jens Heinrich is a historian (MA and PhD) with a focus on the modernization of Greenland, the relationship between Greenland and Denmark, and the political development of Greenland. Heinrich has a Greenlandic-Danish cultural background with an upbringing and has lived in both countries. Heinrich was a member of the Greenlandic reconciliation Commission and has been attached to projects funded by the Greenlandic and Danish Government and research projects on different subjects related to the historical development of Greenland. Heinrich works at the Greenland Representation in Copenhagen and has

previously worked at the Greenland National Museum and Ilisimatusarfik (University of Greenland) among other places. From July 1, 2021, Heinrich will be the Acting Head of the Greenlandic Representation in Denmark.

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## **JÓANNES V. HANSEN**

Head of the Faroese Representation in Copenhagen

Jóannes V. Hansen holds a BA in International Relations from University of Wales, Aberystwyth and a MA in Diplomatic Studies from University of Nottingham. Since joining the Foreign Service of the Faroese Government in 2007 Hansen has served in a number of different roles. He has worked as a Special Adviser and as the Private Secretary to the Minister. He has also been responsible for Arctic Affairs and Public Diplomacy. From 2011 to 2015, Hansen served as the Head of the Faroese Representation in London and Permanent Representative to IMO. Hansen has also worked as the chief negotiator to a number of regional fisheries organizations such as NEAFC, NAFO, NASCO and NAMMCO. Hansen has served as Chief of Protocol for the Faroese Government from 2016 to 2019. Hansen took up the position as Head of Representation in Copenhagen on 1 October 2019.

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## **JONAS v. FREIESLEBEN**

Special Advisor at Danish Ministry of Energy, Utilities, and Climate

Jonas von Freiesleben currently works as a Special Advisor in the Danish Ministry of Climate, Energy, and Utilities. In this position, he serves, among others, as deputy head of delegation for Denmark in the international climate negotiations under the United Nations (UNFCCC). Prior to joining the ministry in 2018, he worked at the UN

Secretariat in New York for almost ten years, including as an advisor in the Office of Secretary-General Ban Ki-Moon, where he specifically worked on the establishment and operationalization of the Sustainable Development Goals. Earlier stints include positions at the Mission of Afghanistan to the United Nations in New York and with Amnesty International in Denmark. Mr. von Freiesleben holds a masters in contemporary history from the University of Copenhagen. He has also studied journalism at UC Berkeley and has published a number of articles on the UN as well as on sustainability issues.

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## **KAJ THELANDER JESSEN**

Local Guide of Copenhagen

Kaj moved to Sydhavnen in 1978 and has since then participated in a great deal of local associations and movements, working towards preserving more of the environments and areas that make Sydhavnen such a unique area of Copenhagen. Among other things, he has worked with year-round inhabited garden associations, which have played a significant role in the regions history. He has also been an active participant in working towards preserving Karens Minde and the transformation of it from an institution to the regions lively culture house. He has written the book "Bydelsrod", which outlines these grassroots movements and the political fight for expanded democracy in parliament. It can be read for free on his website:

[www.bydelsrod.dk](http://www.bydelsrod.dk)

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## KENNETH SORENTO

Director and Cinematographer

Apart from being the director of the film, Kenneth Sorento is also the cinematographer and sound engineer. He is very dedicated to communicating at eye level and telling stories in a strong visual language. Kenneth has participated in several assignments in Greenland and in the Arctic, including the Galathea Expeditions and two icebreaker expedition on the North Pole, setting off his passion for Greenland and his understanding of its inhabitants. Cultural encounters have been part of his life since childhood, growing up in Spain with his Danish parents. His interests in other cultures have taken him all over the world, from his first documentary about a bicycle expedition from Norway to China, to the film Pachamama about indigenous people in the Andes. Kenneth has specialized in working as one man-one camera and has taught this working method for the past ten years.

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## KIRSTEN THISTED

Associate Professor at the  
Copenhagen University

Kirsten Thisted is Associate Professor in the Department of Cross-Cultural and Regional Studies at the Copenhagen University. Her focus is minority majority relations, including postcolonial relations. She is particularly interested in how such asymmetric power relations are negotiated through literary and other aesthetic expressions. Currently, she is heading an interdisciplinary research program that concerns the renegotiations of identities that are taking place in all parts of the North Atlantic in these years, as a result of independence processes, climate change and globalization. The project revisits the joint history of Denmark and Iceland, Greenland and the Faroe Islands, and examines the current efforts to create a new, strong brand for the North Atlantic region, a Scandinavian Arctic.

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## LARS LERCHE

Curator, The Greenlandic House,  
Copenhagen

With a greenlandic father and a Danish mother and growing up in Copenhagen Lars Lerche have always been interested in cultural meetings and ethnicity. That was the main reason why he sought a Master Degree in Greenlandic and Arctic studies from University of Copenhagen. In his Master Thesis he focused on stereotypes and prejudices against Greenlanders in Denmark. After his studies he has worked at the Ethnographic Collection at the Danish National Museum and at the Natural History. For the last two years he has been working at the Greenlandic House with exhibitions, cultural events and concerts.

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## MAJA LØVBJERG HANSEN

Lawyer, feminist, activist. Harm  
reduction specialist. Gadens Jurister  
(Lawyers of the Street)

Maja Løvbjerg Hansen has ten years of experience as a lawyer working for vulnerable people in Copenhagen. She used to work with Gadejuristen - The Street Lawyers. They provided legal aid to people who use drugs, sex workers, and other people who live on or off the streets. Maja Løvbjerg Hansen is now with Gadens Jurister - Lawyers of the Streets, and has been working with different migrant groups in Copenhagen and has broad experience in working with stigmatized and marginalized groups both in and out of the legal system.



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## MARTIN BREUM

Journalist, Arctic Expert and Lecturer

Martin Breum, renowned Arctic expert, is Denmark's only journalist with a full-time focus on the Danish Realm consisting of Denmark, Greenland and the Faroe Islands. Breum writes on Arctic affairs for Weekendavisen Denmark, ArcticToday.com (USA), EUobserver (Bruxelles), Highnorthnews.no (Norway) and Sermitsiaq (Greenland). From 2003 to 2014, Breum was the host of the daily current affairs program Deadline on the Danish Broadcasting Television, DR, and has produced (with documentarist Jakob Gottschau) several TV programs on Greenland and the Arctic, including a six part documentary on the common history of Greenland, The Faroe Islands and Denmark.

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## MAYA SIALUK JAKOBSEN

Traditional Inuit Tattoo Artist, Private Researcher, Teacher, and Lecturer

From Qeqertarsuaq, Greenland, currently residing in Svendborg, Denmark, Maya Sialuk is a traditional Inuit tattoo artist, a private researcher in Inuit's intangible culture and religion, teacher, and lecturer, and has over 20 years of experience in the tattoo profession. In 2010 she founded the tattoo and research project Inuit Tattoo Traditions. Inuit Tattoo Traditions covers the Inuit territories in Greenland, Canada, and Alaska, in collaboration with Anchorage Museum, The Polar Lab, Maya Sialuk has trained four women (Inupiaq and Yupik) in Inuit tattooing and pattern understanding. Research and the work on cultural preservation take up much of Maya Sialuk's everyday life. The collaboration with Nunatta Katersugaasivia (Greenland National Museum) has great value in this work. To raise awareness of the hygiene and security of indigenous tattooing on the North American continent, Maya Sialuk

writes articles and participates in panel discussions on the topic. She also participates in a dialogue with the authorities in Denmark regarding legislation on tattooing and the freedom to show cultural affiliation in Denmark, where facial tattoos are prohibited by law. Maya Sialuk has represented the Health Committee on Christiansborg on various occasions and has presented the request for an exemption for Inuit in Denmark. Maya Sialuk Jacobsen is currently coauthor of various scientific articles regarding the archaeology and anthropology of body modification and is participating in various podcasts, art exhibits and will speak at several events. All part of her dissemination of Inuit culture and cultural heritage and the ethics of using cultural heritage both as culture member and as an outsider of the culture.

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## METTE VON ANDICS

MBSR Mindfulness Instructor, NLP Master Coach and Personal Trainer

Mette von Andics is a trained and certified Coach, NLP master, MBSR -mindfulness instructor, and personal trainer. Mette von Andics has worked with empowering people and organizations for the past 10 years. She has lived abroad for more than 10 years which has given her experience working with people from different backgrounds and cultures. Her passion and motivation is helping people, groups, and organizations in creating positive long-lasting changes. She believes in an integrated approach meaning that she works with both the mental and physical aspects of the human mind and body.

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## **MICHALA CLANTE BENDIXEN**

Founder and Daily Leader of  
Refugees Welcome

Originally a graphic designer, Michala Clante Bendixen started working with refugees on a voluntary basis in 2007. Over the years, she created the humanitarian organisation Refugees Welcome Denmark, which became her full time occupation. The organisation provides free legal advice for refugees and works on the political level for refugee rights. Bendixen received the Human Rights Award 2014 from the Danish Council of Human Rights. She is widely acknowledged for her personal engagement and her great knowledge on the subject, and a frequent guest in the Danish as well as international media. She is also the Danish country coordinator for the EU website on integration, EWSI.

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## **MORTEN KJÆRUM**

Director of the Raoul Wallenberg  
Institute of Human Rights and  
Humanitarian Law

Morten Kjærum is the Director of the Raoul Wallenberg Institute of Human Rights and Humanitarian Law and adjunct Professor at Aalborg University. He currently serves as Chair of The Board of the European Council on Refugees and Exiles (ECRE) as well as Chair of the Board of Trustees of the UN Voluntary Fund for Technical Cooperation in the Field of Human Rights and of the Universal Periodic Review Trust Fund for Financial and Technical Assistance. Morten was the first Director of the European Union Agency for Fundamental Rights and was founding director of the Danish Institute for Human Rights. He started his career in the Danish Refugee Council.

Morten has been a member of the UN Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination as well as Chair of the Network of Directors of EU Agencies and Chair of the International Coordinating Committee for National Human Rights Institutions. He has published extensively on a variety of human rights issues and in particular on topics related to refugee protection and inclusion.

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## **NADJA FILSKOV**

Adviser and Monitoring at the  
Danish Institute for Human Rights

Nadja Filskov is a Danish sociologist working as an adviser with the Danish Institute for Human Rights. She enjoys exploring how sociological methods can complement legal methods when working with human rights in practice. Nadja has worked closely with the Human Rights Council of Greenland since 2018 on monitoring the human rights situation in Greenland. This work has been put into practice in several reports and recommendations that target Danish and Greenlandic authorities in an effort to better the human rights situation for Greenland's citizens. Recently, the focus of the corporation has been on the rights of children and women, the right to housing, and the justice system. She has experience working internationally with different national human rights institutions on analysis and methods for a Human Rights-Based Approach to the UN Sustainable Development Goals.

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## **NAUJA BIANCO**

Director of the Greenlandic House,  
Odense

Nauja Bianco is a native Greenlander, born and raised in the capital Nuuk in Greenland. It was quite early clear that the rest of the world and international relations sparked her interest. At the age of 17, she was an exchange student in the USA followed by travels to the USA, middle and southern America after graduating from high school in Greenland. She attended a trip to Antarctica as part of a larger group of young people celebrating UNESCO's 50th anniversary that was putting focus on environmental protection, climate change, international cooperation as well as conflict resolution and peace. As a political science major from the University of Aarhus, Denmark, and Sciences-Politique in Lille, France, her career has been within government, diplomacy, and international relations. She has worked for the Government of Greenland (in Nuuk as well as Brussels), the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Denmark, and the intergovernmental organization of the Nordic Council of Ministers - a cooperation between Norway, Sweden, Denmark, Finland, and Iceland along with Greenland, Faroe Islands, and Åland Island. Ms. Bianco's area of expertise is cooperation and governance in the Arctic and the Nordic countries. Being a native - but global - Greenlander working for cooperation and added value for the Arctic is always an ambition. She also works for stronger trans-Atlantic bonds.cooperation between Norway, Sweden, Denmark, Finland and Iceland along with Greenland, Faroe Islands and Åland Island. After 15 years in government and diplomacy, Ms. Bianco is now an independent consultant with her own company (Isuma Consulting). She does strategic advisory work within Arctic and Nordic affairs and is a freelance journalist and communications adviser. She focuses on the need of connecting the dots - initiatives as well as people. Ms. Bianco has lived in Brussels, Belgium 2006-2010 (working with Greenland's EU relations) and Toronto, Canada, 2017-2019 (starting up her independent consultancy firm) and she now lives in Copenhagen, Denmark, while traveling the Arctic still.

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## **NOUR MOAZZEN**

2021 Sarajevo Fellow

Nour Moazzen is a Syrian activist, architect, and humanitarian. She is also a Rugby player and an artist. After fleeing from a war zone, Nour assisted her community in Turkey through volunteering and working as an interpreter in Refugee camps. Currently, she is working to support her community in Denmark through raising awareness on issues concerning democracy and human rights in Syria, and advocating for stopping the deportation of Syrian refugees back to Syria. She also employs her architectural knowledge to empower vulnerable groups and communities in post-war zones through locally empowered projects. Nour aspires to go back to Syria, and be part of post-war community building and construction, and to support human rights and social justice as a part of Syria's future.

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## **RACHAEL LORNA JOHNSTONE**

Professor of Law at the University of Akureyri, Iceland, and at Ilisimatusarfik, University of Greenland

Rachael Lorna Johnstone is a professor of Law at the University of Akureyri, and professor of law at Ilisimatusarfik (the University of Greenland). Professor Johnstone specializes in Polar law: the governance of the Arctic and the Antarctic under international and domestic law. She has published widely on the rights of indigenous people; international human rights law; governance of extractive industries in the Arctic; international environmental law; due diligence; state responsibility; and Arctic strategies. Her books include Regulation of Extractive Industries: Community Engagement in the Arctic (Routledge, 2020) with Anne Merrill Hansen, Arctic Governance in a Changing World (Rowman and Littlefield 2019) with Mary Durfee, and Offshore Oil and Gas

Development in the Arctic under International Law: Risk and Responsibility (Brill 2015). Professor Johnstone holds a doctorate in juridical science from the University of Toronto (2004), an M.A. in Polar Law from the University of Akureyri (2014), an LL.M. (magna cum laude) in Legal Theory from the European Academy of Legal Theory (2000) and an LL.B. (Hons) from the University of Glasgow (1999).

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## **SARA OLSVIG**

Chair of the Greenland Human Rights Council

Sara Olsvig has served as a member of the Parliament of Denmark and the Parliament of Greenland and has been the leader of the political party Inuit Ataqatigiit. Olsvig has extensive in-depth knowledge of Indigenous Peoples' Rights, Children's Rights, and Human Rights from her service - among other places - with Inuit Circumpolar Council, as Minister of Social Affairs, Families, Gender Equality and Justice, from Nakuusa (Greenland's Children Council), and as former Head of Programme at UNICEF Denmark in Greenland. Olsvig holds a Master's Degree in Anthropology and is currently doing a PhD project at Ilisimatusarfik (University of Greenland) about the relationship between Greenland and the United States in a security policy perspective. Olsvig is currently chair of the Greenland Human Rights Council. She has experience working internationally with different national human rights institutions on analysis and methods for a Human Rights-Based Approach to the UN Sustainable Development Goals.

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## **STEVEN L. B. JENSEN**

Senior Researcher, Danish Institute for International Studies

Steven L. B. Jensen is a Senior Researcher at The Danish Institute for Human Rights. Before joining the Danish Institute in 2007, he held positions with the Danish Ministry of Foreign Affairs and with UNAIDS based in Geneva. He holds a PhD in History from the University of Copenhagen and is the author of *The Making of International Human Rights. The 1960s, Decolonization and the Reconstruction of Global Values* which in 2017 was awarded the prizes both for Best Book on Human Rights and Best Book on International Organisation from the International Studies Association.

Among his most recent publications is a co-edited volume *Histories of Global Inequality: New Perspectives* (Palgrave Macmillan 2019). His forthcoming book *Social Rights and the Politics of Obligation in History* (co-edited with Charles Walton) will be published by Cambridge University Press in 2022. He is a regular contributor to the South African newspaper *The Daily Maverick* and to *Open Global Rights*.

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## TYGE LEHMANN

Former Ambassador, and Legal Advisor, Danish Ministry of Foreign Affairs

Born in 1941 Tyge Lehmann has a law degree (LL.M) from the University of Copenhagen and has been Denmark's leading human rights negotiator under several Danish governments. Mr. Lehman has in his long working life especially engaged himself with the UN, attending 25 UN conferences since 1972 and a number of UN Worlds conferences, including the Woman Conference in 1980, the Human Rights conference in Vienna in 1993, as well as the Racism Conference in Durban in 2001. Additionally, Mr. Lehmann has acted as a Representative in the UN Human Rights Commission from 1996 to 1998.

Furthermore, Mr. Lehmann has been instrumental in promoting the Rights of Indigenous Peoples within the UN context e.g. the establishment of the UN Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues (2000) and the UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples (2007) as well as his work towards Greenland's Self-Government Act of 2009. He has through his work especially focused on Human Rights and the Nations obligations in this field as well as on others jurisdictions such as the law of the Sea and the fights against international terrorism. At last Mr. Lehmann has been active in Humanity In Action as a former board member and as a representative today. She has experience working internationally with different national human rights institutions on analysis and methods for a Human Rights-Based Approach to the UN Sustainable Development Goals.





# READING LIST

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# REQUIRED READINGS

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## Greenland

**Astrid Nonbo Andersen (2019):**  
“The Greenlandic Reconciliation Commission: Moving Away from a Legal Framework”, in: The Yearbook of Polar Law, vol. 11, 2019, pp. 214-244

**Astrid Nonbo Andersen (2020):**  
“Lessons from the Greenlandic Reconciliation Process”, in: Justiceinfo.net, March 5, 2020

**Maya Sialuk Jacobsen (2020):**  
“Beneath the Skin. Exploring the Revival of Inuit Tattoo Traditions”, interview with M.S. Jacobsen by Mythogynist Media

**Maya Sialuk Jacobsen (2020):**  
“Inuit Tattoo Traditions in Greenland”, interview with M.S. Jacobsen by Mythogynist Media, Podcast, February 2020

**OR**

listen to the newer podcast (in Danish), by 2020 Cph Fellows Emilie Helene Holm and Mahela Nilsson: “Under Huden”, Respons 2021

**Rachael Lorna Johnstone (2020):**  
“The Impact of International Law on Natural Resource Governance in Greenland”, in: Polar Record 56 (e21), pp. 1-11

**Rachael Lorna Johnstone (2021)**  
“Colonisation at the Poles: A Story of Ineffective Occupation”, in: 13 Yearbook of Polar Law - PRINT VERSION, DO NOT SHARE

**Wikipedia (2020):** “Greenlandic People in Denmark”, an introduction to the history and lives of the Greenlandic people in Denmark

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## Faroe Islands

**Aela Callan (2017):** “Last paradise on earth: From Asia to the Faroes”, A growing number of Southeast Asian women are moving to the remote islands after marrying Faroese men. Al Jazeera, video

**Maria Ackrén (2006):**  
“The Faroe Islands: Options for Independence”, in: Island Studies Journal, Vol. 1, No. 2, 2006, pp. 223-238

**Lesley Riddoch (2018):**  
“Faroe Islands - the connected nation”, NATION 1 and Phantom Power Films, an introduction video to the Faroe Islands

**Nordpolitik (2019):**

"Why Restrictive Abortion Laws Still Exist In The Faroe Islands", in: Nordpolitik blog

**Nordpolitik (2019):**

"Why Restrictive Abortion Laws Still Exist In The Faroe Islands", in: Nordpolitik blog,

**The Local (2018):**

"Goodbye Denmark? Faroese weigh pulling free of Danish grip", Thelocal.dk, June 19. 2018

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## Further Readings (Optional)

**Astrid Nonbo Andersen and Martine Lind Krebs (2020):**

"Activists Demand Mental Decolonization in Greenland", Justiceinfo.net August 3, 2020

**Astrid Nonbo Andersen (2013):**

"We Have Reconquered the Islands": Figurations in Public Memories of Slavery and Colonialism in Denmark 1948-2012", Springer Science+Business Media New York, published online, February 7, 2021

**Astrid Andersen, Kirsten Hvenegård-Lassen & Ina Knoblock (2015):**

"Feminism in Postcolonial Nordic Spaces", in: NORA - Nordic Journal of Feminist and Gender Research ,23:4, 239-245

**Humanity in Action Denmark (2020):**

"Stories From the Unity of the Realm", Humanity in Action Denmark's podcast series, produced by the 2020 Copenhagen Fellows

**Marianne Jensen (2019):**

"The Danification of Greenlandic Children", Truth and Reconciliation in the Arctic, DIIS Conference, September 17 and 18, 2019

**Rebecca Adler-Nissen (2014):**

"The Faroe Islands: Independence dreams, globalist separatism and the Europeanization of postcolonial home rule" in: Cooperation and Conflict 2014, Vol 49(1), pp. 55-79

**Sheila Watt-Cloutier (2020):**

"Upirngasaq (Arctic Spring)", essay, 'Everyone benefits from a frozen Arctic. The future of the Arctic environment, and the Inuit it supports, is inextricably tied to the future of the planet', in: Granta.com, November 19, 2020

**Thomas Brudholm (2006):**

"Revisiting Resentments: Jean Amery and the Dark Side of Forgiveness and Reconciliation" in: Journal of Human Rights, 5:7-26, A critical reflection on reconciliation, its emotional and moral significance

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## Optional Readings (in Danish)

**Kirsten Thisted (2021):**

"Det tog 300 år. Men Danmark er langt om længe ved at indstille sig på, at vi ikke ejer Grønland", kronik, Politiken, June 22, 2021

**Kirsten Thisted (2021):** Kulturtur til Grønland", Radio4, June 21, 2021, review of moder Greenlandic literature





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# PROGRAM OVERVIEW

## week 1

### TUESDAY, August 10

8.45-9.45: Check-in and Introduction to the program

10.00-12.00: Introduction to the Unity of the Realm #1: Identities, Power and Politics

13.30-15.00: Introduction to the Unity of the Realm # 2: Danish-Faroese relations

15.30-16.30: Expectations and establishing group norms

### THURSDAY, August 12

9.15-11.30: Check-in and Colonisation, Decolonisation, Sovereignty and Indigenous Peoples

12.30-13.30: Denmark's Role in the Development of The United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples

14.00-16.00: Human Rights in Denmark, Europe and the World Today: Challenges and Prospects

### SATURDAY, August 14

16.00-18.00: OPEN EVENT: Refugees on Temporary Stay - Focus on Syrians in Denmark

18.30-19.30: Group Discussion

### MONDAY, August 9

9.30-11.00: Arrival, welcome and introductions

11.00-16.00: Creating Constructive Dialogue #1 and #2

16.15-18.15: Sightseeing

18.00-20.00: Dinner

### WEDNESDAY, August 11

8.45-11.00: Check-in and An Alternate History of Human Rights - A Global South Project?

11.30-12.30: Group Discussion

13.30-15.30: National Human Rights Institutions: Why and how Danish institutions work with Greenlandic institutions on Human Rights

### FRIDAY, August 13

8.45-11.00: Check-in and Week Evaluation

12.00-13.30: The Backcoin of the Danish Welfare State

14.00-16.00: Vulnerable groups and people of the streets: Rights or no rights?

16.15-17.00: Group discussion

### SUNDAY, August 15

Day off

# PROGRAM OVERVIEW

## week 2

### TUESDAY, August 17

8.45-11.30: Check-in and Action Project Workshop #1

12.30-14.00: From huge celebration to no celebration. Greenland 200 years after the arrival of Hans Egede - and 300 years after.

14.30-16.00: Inuit Markings - Reclaiming Identity

### THURSDAY, August 19

9.15-11.00: Check-in and Greenland in the age of the SDG's

11.15-12.30: Group Discussion

15.00-16.30: The modernisation of Greenland

17.00-18.00: North Atlantic Rainbow Days: Copenhagen - the Gay Capital of Iceland?

### SATURDAY, August 21

14.00-15.00: North Atlantic Rainbow Days: Eskimo Diva, filmscreening (engl. subtitles)

16.00-17.30: OPTIONAL (in Danish) Nordatlantiske Prides, LGBT-bevægelserne på Færøerne, Grønland og Island.

### MONDAY, August 16

8.30-11.30: "The Fight for Greenland" Filmscreening

13.00-15.00: Working with Greenlanders in Denmark. The Greenlandic Houses in Denmark

16.00-18.00: Traces of Colonialism in the Streets of Copenhagen

### WEDNESDAY, August 18

9.15-11.30: Check-in and Reconciliation and Justice

13.45-15.45: Introduction to the UN Sustainable Development Goals and how Denmark works with the SDG's on Climate and Energy

17.00-19.00: OPEN EVENT: "The threat to democracy anno 2021 - a (post) covid world".

### FRIDAY, August 20

8.45-11.00: Check-in and Week Evaluation

12.00-13.00: Group Discussion

13.30-16.00: Action Project Workshop #2

### SUNDAY, August 22

Day off

# PROGRAM OVERVIEW

## week 3

### TUESDAY, August 24

9.15-11.00: Check-in and Faroese independence? The development in the Arctic and the future of the Realm

12.30-14.00: Marriage Migrants to the Faroe Islands. The Life-World of Non- Western Women Married to Faroese Men

15.00-17.00: Amnesty International in the Faroe Islands.

### THURSDAY, August 26 Two-day seminar - Day 1

9.15-11.00: Check-in and Faroe Islands in a Historical and Contemporary Perspective

11.15-12.45: Pro-life or Pro-Choice in the Faroe Islands

14.00-15.30: LGBTQIA+ in the Faroe Islands: Challenges and Prospects

15.45-17.00: Group Discussion

### SATURDAY, August 28

9.15-11.30: Check-in and Democracy, Minorities and Religion in the Faroe Islands

13.00-16.00: Listasavn Føroya and artist talk: "Plastic Dialogue" - Art as a Termometre of Societal Change

### MONDAY, August 23

10.15: Kastrup Airport

12.25 CEST -13.40 WEST: Going to the Faroe Islands

17.00-19.00 City walk in Tórshavn

20.00-22.00: OPEN EVENT: "Skál", filmscreening and Q&A

### WEDNESDAY, August 25

8.30-20.30: Full day of sightseeing: Hike to Kirkjubøur, boat trip to Nólsoy, traditional Faroese food-tasting.

### FRIDAY, August 27 Two-day seminar - Day 2

9.15-11.00: Check-in and Panel Discussion with 4 Faroese youth politicians

11.15-12.00: Breakout groups: continuing the talk in smaller groups with the youth politicians

13.00-14.30: Breaking News! News Report From the Faroes (tbc)

15.00-17.00: Group Discussion

### SUNDAY, August 29

14:30 WEST -17:35 CEST: Going back to Copenhagen



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# August 9

Monday

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## ARRIVAL AND WELCOME

Let the program begin! We will kickstart the Fellowship with an introduction to Humanity in Action and our activities, as well as an introduction to each other. Even though we briefly met online during June, on this day, we will finally get to know each other even better in person. We will have a session to determine our group values in order to build a good foundation for the rest of the Fellowship. In the afternoon we will explore our Fellowship location, Sydhavnen, and conclude our first day with a dinner together at our beautiful location at Karens Minde.

DAY 01  
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LOCATION: Karens Minde Kulturhus

## AGENDA

- 09.30-10.30** **Welcome - Coffee & Croissants**  
*Mikaela v. Freiesleben, National Director, HIA Denmark*
- 10.30-11.00** **Introduction to Humanity in Action Denmark**  
*Anders Jerichow, Chair of the HIA Denmark Board of Directors*
- 11.00-13.00** **Creating Constructive Dialogue Through Common Values #1**  
*Mette von Andics, Mindfulness Instructor, Coach and Personal Trainer*
- 13.00-14.00** **Lunch - delivered by Karens Minde Kulturhus**
- 14.00-16.00** **Creating Constructive Dialogue Through Common Values #2**  
*Mette von Andics, Mindfulness Instructor, Coach and Personal Trainer*
- 16.15-18.15** **Sydhavnen sightseeing**  
*City Walk by Kaj Thelander Jessen, local tour guide*
- 18.00-20.00** **Dinner at Karens Minde Kulturhus**

# August 10

Tuesday

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## INTRODUCTION TO THE PROGRAM AND OUR THEME

On this second day, we will present common program expectations, code of conduct, staff values and we will have journalist and lecturer Martin Breum introduce the theme of our program: The Unity of the Realm. In the afternoon we will go to Nordatlantens Brygge where we will meet Jóannes V. Hansen, Head of the Faroese Representation in Copenhagen, who will give you a historic overview of the Danish Realm and talk about Danish - Faroese relations.

DAY 02  
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LOCATIONS: Karens Minde Kulturhus  
The North Atlantic House

## AGENDA

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| <b>08.30-08.45</b> | <b>Arrival &amp; Coffee</b>  |
| <b>08.45-09.00</b> | <b>Check-in</b>  |
| <b>09.00-09.45</b> | <b>Introductions to the program</b><br><i>Mikaela v. Freiesleben</i>   |
| <b>09.45-10.00</b> | <b>Break</b>   |
| <b>10.00-12.00</b> | <b>Introduction to Unity of the Realm #1: Identities, Power, and Politics</b><br><i>Martin Breum, Journalist, Arctic Expert and Lecturer</i> |
| <b>12.00-13.30</b> | <b>Lunch - delivered by Karens Minde &amp; go to the North Atlantic House</b>  |
| <b>13.30-15.00</b> | <b>Introduction to Unity of the Realm #2: Danish-Faroese Relations</b><br><i>Joáannes V. Hansen, Head of the Faroese Representation</i>      |
| <b>15.00-15.30</b> | <b>Break and find a place outside</b>  |
| <b>15.30-16.30</b> | <b>Fellow expectations and establishing group norms</b><br><i>Benedikte Raft</i>   |

# August 11

Wednesday

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## Human Rights, Indigenous Rights and International Law # 1

What is the history of Human Rights? For many years, Denmark has been known as a pioneer of human rights, freedom of speech etc. However, does this image still hold true? Today, we will scrutinize the history and contemporary issues of Human Rights by delving into *an alternate history of Human Rights*.

These questions will be followed by exploring how Denmark cooperates with Greenland on promoting Human Rights in Greenland, and what Human Rights challenges Greenland faces today.

DAY 03  
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LOCATION: Karens Minde Kulturhus

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## AGENDA

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| <b>08.30-08.45</b> | <b>Arrival &amp; Coffee</b>   |
| <b>08.45-09.00</b> | <b>Check-in</b>   |
| <b>09.00-11.00</b> | <b>An Alternate History of Human Rights - A Global South Project?</b><br><i>Steven L.B. Jensen</i>  |
| <b>11.00-11.30</b> | <b>Break</b>  |
| <b>11.30-12.30</b> | <b>Group Discussion: Human Rights - Universal Rights</b>  |
| <b>12.30-13.30</b> | <b>Lunch - delivered by Karens Minde</b>  |
| <b>13.30-15.30</b> | <b>National Human Rights Institutions: Why and How Danish Institutions Work with Greenlandic Institutions on Human Rights</b><br><i>Sara Olsvig, PhD Candidate and Chair of the Greenland Human Rights Council and Nadja Filskov, Adviser and Monitoring at the Danish Institute for Human Rights</i> |
| <b>15.30-16.00</b> | <b>Break</b>  |
| <b>16.00-16.30</b> | <b>Check-out</b>  |



# August 12

Thursday

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## Human Rights, Indigenous Rights and International Law #2

On the second day dedicated to Human Rights, we will delve deeper into the topics of (de)colonization, sovereignty and Indigenous Peoples from a legal and legislative perspective. Firstly led by Rachael Lorna Johnstone from the University of Akureyri (Iceland) and Ilisimatusarfik (University of Greenland), and then by Tyge Lehmann, a veteran in our Fellowship. Tyge will share stories and anecdotes from his work with the UN and his contribution to the establishment of the UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples (2007). We will conclude the day with a lecture on the status of Human Rights today - challenges and prospects.

DAY 04  
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## AGENDA

LOCATION: Karens Minde Kulturhus

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| <b>09.00-09.15</b> | <b>Arrival &amp; Coffee</b>  |
| <b>09.15-09.30</b> | <b>Check-in</b>  |
| <b>09.30-11.30</b> | <b>Colonization, Decolonization, Sovereignty and Indigenous Peoples</b><br><i>Rachael Lorna Johnstone, Professor of Law at the University of Akureyri and Ilisimatusarfik</i>                                  |
| <b>11.30-12.30</b> | <b>Lunch - delivered by Karens Minde</b>   |
| <b>12.30-13.30</b> | <b>Denmark's Role in the Development of the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples</b><br><i>Tyge Lehmann, Former Ambassador and Legal Advisor, Danish Ministry of Foreign Affairs</i> |
| <b>13.30-14.00</b> | <b>Break</b>   |
| <b>14.00-16.00</b> | <b>Human Rights in Denmark, Europe and the World Today: Challenges and Prospects</b><br><i>Morten Kjærsum, Director of the Raoul Wallenberg Institute of Human Rights and Humanitarian Law</i>                 |
| <b>16.00-16.30</b> | <b>Check-out</b>   |

# August 13

Friday

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## Exclusionary Tendencies Within Human Rights & Week Evaluation

We will spend the morning evaluating the Fellowship so far, reviewing our group values and taking a moment to reflect on a personal level.

In the afternoon, we will provoke you to think critically about Human Rights and reflect on how they are predisposed to exclusionary reflexes. We will draw parallels between the social engineering of the Danish Welfare State and the Danish social engineering in Greenland, and end the day with a focus on vulnerable people.

DAY 05  
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LOCATION: Karens Minde Kulturhus

## AGENDA

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| <b>08.30-08.45</b> | <b>Arrival &amp; Coffee</b>  |
| <b>08.45-09.00</b> | <b>Check-in</b>  |
| <b>09.00-11.00</b> | <b>Week Evaluation - Week #1</b><br><i>Mette von Andics</i>  |
| <b>11.00-12.00</b> | <b>Lunch - delivered by Karens Minde</b>   |
| <b>12.00-13.30</b> | <b>The Backcoin of the Danish Welfare State</b><br><i>Aydin Soëi, Sociologist and Author</i>   |
| <b>13.30-14.00</b> | <b>Break</b>   |
| <b>14.00-16.00</b> | <b>Vulnerable Groups and People of the Streets: Rights or No Rights?</b><br><i>Maja Løvbjerg Hansen, Lawyer at Gadejuristen (the Street Lawyers)</i> |
| <b>16.00-16.15</b> | <b>Break</b>   |
| <b>16.15-17.00</b> | <b>Group discussion/check-out</b>  |

# August 14

Saturday

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## The Current Status of Syrian Refugees in Denmark

On Saturday afternoon we will host our first *Open Event* on the current status of Syrian refugees in Denmark. Michala Clante Bendixen and Nour Moazzen will give a brief account of their work and experiences followed by a conversation with the audience about challenges and prospects for the Syrians in Denmark. The event is organized in collaboration with Johan Borups Højskole and is open to their students as well as the public.

After the talks we will have a private session with Nour to reflect and discuss further on the case of the Syrians in Denmark.

DAY 06  
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LOCATION: Johan Borups Højskole

## AGENDA

15.30

**Meeting time at Johan Borups Højskole**  
*Frederikholms Kanal 24, 1220 København K*

16.00-18.00

**OPEN EVENT: Refugees on Temporary Stay - Focus on Syrians in Denmark**  
*Michala Clante Bendixen, Founder and Daily Leader of Refugees Welcome and Nour Moazzen, 2021 Humanity in Action Sarajevo Fellowship*

18.00-18.30

**Break and grab something to eat (yoyo)**

18.30-19.30

**Group Discussion and Conversation**  
*Nour Moazzen*

# August 16

Monday

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## Greenlandic Identities in Denmark and Greenland today & Traces of Colonialism in the streets of Copenhagen

In the second week of our Fellowship, we will dive deeper into the history and present realities of Greenland and Denmark's colonial past and its consequences. We will begin the week by watching a documentary and participate in a Q&A with the director. Following the film, we will move to the Greenlandic House in Copenhagen and listen to a talk on the role of the Greenlandic Houses in Denmark and touch upon the concept of transgenerational trauma. What is it and how does it affect Greenlanders today?

We will end the day by going on a colonial walk of Copenhagen.

DAY 07  
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**LOCATIONS: Grand Teatret  
The Greenlandic House in Copenhagen**

## AGENDA

- 08.20** Meeting time in front of Grand Teatret  
*Mikkel Bryggers Gade 8, 1460 København K*
- 08.30-11.30** "The Fight for Greenland" Filmscreening and Q&A  
*Kenneth Sorento, Director and Cinematographer*
- 11.30-13.00** Going to the Greenlandic House - Bring your own lunch (yoyo)
- 13.00-15.00** Working with Greenlanders in Denmark - the Greenlandic Houses  
*Nauja Bianco, Director of the Greenlandic House in Odense  
Lars Lerche, Curator, The Greenlandic House in Copenhagen*
- 15.00-16.00** Break and go to Christiansborg Palace
- 16.00-18.00** Traces of Colonialism in the Streets of Copenhagen  
*Björn Lingner, External Lecturer, Roskilde University*

**MEETING POINT: CHRISTIANSBORG PALACE  
END OF WALK: IN FRONT OF THE WEST INDIAN WEARHOUSE**

# August 17

Tuesday

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## (De)Colonial Greenland - Past, Present & Future & Action Project Workshop # 1

Today we will continue our discussion about Greenlandic identities and the Danish colonialism of Greenland. Following our first Action Project workshop, we will hear a talk about the 300 year anniversary of Hans Egede's arrival in Greenland, what he has meant for Greenland and for Danish colonialism, and what has happened between 1921 and 2021, the 200 year great celebrations and the 300 year markings of his arrival.

Maya Sialuk Jacobsen, a tattoo artist and researcher of Inuit tattoo history, will end the day by sharing the traditions of Inuit Markings with us, and how and why she has devoted her life to continuing that tradition.

DAY 08  
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>> **AGENDA**

**LOCATION: Karens Minde Kulturhus**

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| <b>08.30-08.45</b> | <b>Arrival &amp; Coffee</b>   |
| <b>08.45-09.00</b> | <b>Check-in</b>   |
| <b>09.00-11.30</b> | <b>Action Project Workshop # 1</b><br><i>Catalina Catana, Humanity in Action Program Assistant</i>  |
| <b>11.30-12.30</b> | <b>Lunch - yoyo</b>   |
| <b>12.30-14.00</b> | <b>From Huge Celebration to No Celebration. Greenland 200 years after the arrival of Hans Egede - and 300 years after.</b><br><i>Kirsten Thisted, Associate Professor, University of Copenhagen</i> |
| <b>14.00-14.30</b> | <b>Break</b>  |
| <b>14.30-16.00</b> | <b>Inuit Markings - Reclaiming Identity</b><br><i>Maya Sialuk Jacobsen, Traditional Inuit Tattoo Artist, Private Researcher, Teacher, and Lecturer</i>  |
| <b>16.00-16.30</b> | <b>Check-out</b>  |

# August 18

Wednesday

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## Tapas Wednesday: Political Reconciliation, Climate, and Covid-19

Today's agenda is an eclectic one - with lots of interesting discussions and topics. First, we will hear from Astrid Nonbo Andersen, a researcher focused on historical justice, the politics of history, and memory theory. After our group discussion, we will hear about the UN Sustainable Development Goals and how Denmark works with them on Climate and Energy, followed by our second *Open Event* in cooperation with Johan Borups Højskole: a discussion on the threats to democracy in a (post) covid world with Clement Kjersgaard, famous Danish TV Anchor, Editor and Public Speaker.

DAY 09  
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**LOCATIONS: Karens Minde Kulturhus  
Johan Borups Højskole**

## AGENDA

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| <b>09.00-09.15</b> | <b>Arrival &amp; Coffee</b>  |
| <b>09.15-09.30</b> | <b>Check-in</b>  |
| <b>09.30-11.30</b> | <b>Reconciliation and Justice</b><br><i>Astrid Nonbo Andersen, Senior Researcher, Danish Institute for International Studies</i>   |
| <b>11.30-12.30</b> | <b>Lunch</b>   |
| <b>12.30-13.30</b> | <b>Group Discussion</b>  |
| <b>13.30-13.45</b> | <b>Break</b>   |
| <b>13.45-15.45</b> | <b>Introduction to the UN Sustainable Development Goals and How Denmark Works With the SDG's on Climate and Energy</b><br><i>Jonas v. Freiesleben, Special Advisor at the Danish Ministry of Energy, Utilities and Climate</i> |
| <b>15.45-16.45</b> | <b>Break &amp; go to Johan Borups Højskole</b>   |
| <b>17.00-19.00</b> | <b>OPEN EVENT: The Threat to Democracy anno 2021 - A (Post) Covid World</b><br><i>Clement Kjersgaard, TV Anchor, Editor and Public Speaker</i>   |

# August 19

Thursday

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## Contemporary Greenland & LGBTQIA+ in the North Atlantic

Thursday's agenda will build off of our previous discussions on both the UN Sustainable Development Goals and Greenland, linking the two in a discussion about Greenland in the Age of the SDGs.

In the afternoon we will learn more about the modernization of Greenland and then take part in the North Atlantic Rainbow Days - part of the Copenhagen Pride Program - when we listen to a talk about Icelandic queer realities of the past. In the early evening it will be possible to watch the Faroese film "Dreams by the Sea", a coming of age film about growing up gay in the Faroe Islands. Read more and sign up: [www.nordatlantens.dk/](http://www.nordatlantens.dk/)

DAY 10  
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**LOCATIONS:** Karens Minde Kulturhus  
The North Atlantic House

## AGENDA

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| <b>09.00-09.15</b> | <b>Arrival &amp; Coffee</b>   |
| <b>09.15-09.30</b> | <b>Check-in</b>   |
| <b>09.30-11.00</b> | <b>Greenland in the Age of the SDGs</b><br><i>Anne Mette Christiansen, Senior Sustainability and Corporate Responsibility Advisor</i>                                       |
| <b>11.00-11.15</b> | <b>Break</b>  |
| <b>11.15-12.30</b> | <b>Group discussion</b>   |
| <b>12.30-14.45</b> | <b>YOYO Lunch &amp; go to the North Atlantic House</b>  |
| <b>15.00-16.30</b> | <b>The Modernisation of Greenland</b><br><i>Jens Heinrich, Historian and Special Advisor, Greenland Representation in Copenhagen</i>  |
| <b>16.30-17.00</b> | <b>Break</b>  |
| <b>17.00-18.00</b> | <b>OPEN EVENT: The North Atlantic Rainbow Days: Copenhagen - the Gay Capital of Iceland?</b><br><i>Ásta Kristin Benediktsdóttir, post.doc. at the University of Iceland</i> |

# August 20

Friday

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## Intersectional Reflections & Action Project Workshop #2

Today's agenda will consist mainly of reflections on what we have learned in the past few days and building group discussion off of that. We will take time to have a weekly evaluation with Mette von Andics followed by a group discussion and our second Action Project Workshop with Catalina, where you will have time to reflect on your Action Project ideas and pitches for the Senior Fellow Action Day.

DAY 11  
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LOCATION: Karens Minde Kulturhus

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## AGENDA

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| <b>08.30-08.45</b> | <b>Arrival &amp; Coffee</b>                                 |
| <b>08.45-09.00</b> | <b>Check-in</b>   |
| <b>09.00-11.00</b> | <b>Week evaluation - Week #2</b><br><i>Mette von Andics</i> |
| <b>11.00-12.00</b> | <b>Lunch - yoyo</b>   |
| <b>12.00-13.00</b> | <b>Group Discussion</b>                                     |
| <b>13.00-13.30</b> | <b>Break</b>  |
| <b>13.30-16.00</b> | <b>Action Project Workshop #2</b><br><i>Catalina Catana</i> |
| <b>16.00-16.15</b> | <b>Check-out</b>  |



# August 21

Saturday

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## North Atlantic Rainbow Days: Queer Realities in the Unity of the Danish Realm

Today we'll have a late start of the day, starting with a film screening as part of the North Atlantic Rainbow Days at Nordatlantens Brygge: "Eskimo Diva".

The rest of the day is optional, when we offer a panel discussion on LGBTQIA+ and the history of the Prides in the North Atlantic, a cooperation between Humanity in Action and the North Atlantic House. After the panel there will be a Bubble Bar and lounge music on the harbor front.

DAY 12  
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LOCATION: The North Atlantic House

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## AGENDA

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| <b>14.00-15.00</b>                                  | <b>OPEN EVET: North Atlantic Rainbow Days: Eskimo Diva (English subtitles)</b><br><i>Film Screening</i>   |
| <b>15.00-16.00</b>                                  | <b>Break</b>  |
| <b>16.00-17.30</b><br><i>Optional<br/>In Danish</i> | <b>OPEN EVENT: North Atlantic Rainbow Days: Nordatlantiske Prides, oplæg og debat om LGBT-bevægelserne på Færøerne, Grøland og Island</b><br><i>Panelists: Finn Ferjá Joensen (FO), Kim Falck- Petersen (GL) og Ásta Kristín Benediktsdóttir (IS).</i><br><i>Moderators: Ane Krestine Ott &amp; Sara Gjermansen, Awake Consulting and Humanity in Action Senior Fellow.</i> |
| <b>17.00-20.00</b><br><i>Optional</i>               | <b>North Atlantic Rainbow Days: Bubble Bar and Lounge Music by DJ Gísli Galdur</b>  |

# VENUES DURING THE FELLOWSHIP

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## KARENS MINDE KULTURHUS

Wagnersvej 19  
2450 København SV

Nearest S-train: Sjælør Station

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## JOHAN BORUPS HØJSKOLE

Frederiksholms Kanal 24  
1220 Købehavn K

Nearest metro:  
Rådhuspladsen/Town Hall Square

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## NORDATLANTENS BRYGGE

Strandgade 91  
1401 København K

Nearest metro: Christianshavn

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## THE GREENLANDIC HOUSE/KALAALLIT ILLUTAAT

Løvstræde 6  
1152 Købehavn K

Nearest metro: Kgs. Nytorv

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## GRAND THEATRE

Mikkel Bryggers Gade 8  
1460 København K

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Rådhuspladsen/Town Hall Square

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