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COPENHAGEN FELLOWSHIP

TOWARDS AN INCLUSIVE SOCIETY
A HISTORICAL PERSPECTIVE

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About Humanity in Action

Humanity in Action is an international non-profit that aims 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 by:

- Engaging student leaders in histories of resistance to institutionalized violations of minority rights in democratic countries;
- Promoting the growth and development of young professionals dedicated to protecting human dignity and the rights of minorities;
- Building a multi-national, intergenerational network of present and emerging leaders in diverse professional fields who share these commitments.

Humanity in Action believes that an important test of a genuine democracy is how it treats its minorities, and that the commitment to democratic values and the protection of minorities cannot be taken for granted in the United States and Europe.

Therefore, Humanity in Action seeks to engage younger generations in histories of resistance and to inspire them to fulfill their moral responsibilities to protect those in danger from institutionalized violations of minority rights. It seeks to strengthen the commitment of American and European university students to democratic values and foster their knowledge of resistance to intolerance—past and present.
The Humanity in Action Fellowship may only last for a month, but an engagement in Humanity in Action lasts for much longer. The Humanity in Action Fellowship 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 diagram below shows each Fellow’s progression through Humanity in Action, starting with the Fellowship and International Conference, the planning and execution of their Action Project, and the Senior Fellow opportunities available to them afterwards. See more about these opportunities on our website.
2017 Copenhagen Fellowship

Towards an inclusive society: A historical perspective

2017 Copenhagen Fellowship

The 2017 Copenhagen Fellowship is the first of three Fellowships taking place under the theme Towards an Inclusive Society. During a three-year period, the program will apply a new perspective to the theme each year: a historical perspective in 2017, a cultural perspective in 2018, and a political perspective in 2019. The aim is to examine, discuss and understand the building blocks for an inclusive society based on human rights, diversity and democracy – and to bring this understanding into action.

Starting this year with the historical perspective, the Fellowship will scrutinize challenges and prospects in the development of an inclusive Denmark. The Fellowship will have three main topics: Persecution, flight and human rights in Europe, inclusion in Danish society, and Denmark as a colonial power. The historical topics will serve as points of reflection from which current issues and questions will be explored and discussed.

Why history?

Ever since its founding in 1997, Humanity in Action has maintained a historical perspective as an invaluable component in understanding present-day challenges. By inquiring into histories of both oppression and resistance, Humanity in Action Fellowships seek to learn from the past in order to inspire action in the present.

An examination of the history of World War II and Holocaust allows the Fellows to confront critical questions about human behavior, the legacies of the recent past and our contemporary challenges.

Dr. Judith Goldstein, Humanity in Action Founder and Executive Director

Through lectures, site visits, workshops and discussions, the 2017 Copenhagen Fellowship will explore how history affects and shapes present challenges in building an inclusive Danish society. Importantly, 2017 Fellows are encouraged to reflect critically upon the centrality of history in this year's program. Their knowledge and experience will be the building blocks for the following two Fellowships where culture and politics will come under scrutiny as spaces and methods of inclusion.
Topics of the week

Week 1 >>

If this is a man: Persecution, flight and human rights

Democratic values, human rights and respect for diversity are key components in building inclusive societies. In present-day Europe, these values are under increasing threat from rising nationalist tendencies, political polarization, and economic crises coinciding with an influx of new immigrants and refugees. Given these challenges, the 2017 Copenhagen Fellowship will dedicate the first week to studying persecution, flight, and human rights in both the past and the present.

Lessons from the Holocaust

Humanity in Action’s examination of the past is based on the history of the Holocaust and the promise of “never again”. It is therefore essential to address this issue and to evaluate what meaning this specific history has on and in the present. Can lessons be learnt from the Holocaust and, if so, which of these lessons are important in our present moment? The understanding of the Holocaust is the historical basis of our work towards a respectful, diverse and inclusive society, shedding light on how and why societies turn against their minorities, but also how civil responsibility and courage are essential factors in resisting this development.

We will start by examining how the Holocaust has affected European unity and identity – an important but often neglected history in these times of European doubt. We will also be looking at the flight of the Danish Jews to Sweden in 1943, which was aided by a large network of fellow Danes, and which is therefore often portrayed as “a light in the darkness”. Through these two topics, we will discuss how history can and should be used in the present, and what kind of society is required to adequately protect minorities against discrimination and persecution.

Human rights in the past and present

The Holocaust laid the ground for the current understanding of human rights and European unity formulated in the aftermath of WWII. Yet this foundation is currently being challenged by a Europe rife with nationalist sentiment and doubts about the European Union. Given such a political climate, how do we best argue for the importance of human rights? Are they still the right tools to secure a peaceful, just and inclusive society? In order to explore these questions, we will visit the Raoul Wallenberg Institute of Human Rights in Lund, an organization working directly with the implementation of human rights on a local, national and international scale. Here, we will be granted a direct insight into the current challenges facing human rights work and learn from a leading institution how to face and overcome these challenges.
Refugees and Europe today

One of the challenges facing the consensus around human rights today is the influx of immigrants and refugees to Europe. Refugees who arrive at the borders of Europe today face serious hindrances in having their rights protected. Lack of legal recognition, acceptance and safety constitute grave issues for these people on the move. They are on the margins of society with no right to participate on equal terms with other citizens until their asylum case has been decided, and their voices are often underrepresented in the noise of the media. To better understand challenges of inclusion from the perspective of refugees, we will read, listen and discuss refugee experiences from the past and the present. This will give us perspectives to understand how different historical and political contexts shape the reception of refugees, and how we can work towards a more inclusive and democratic approach to welcoming people forced to flee.

Bridging the divide

There are many people working on bridging the divide between the included and the excluded, and the Copenhagen Fellowship seeks to be inspired by such action. We will therefore hear from two Israeli and Palestinian human rights activists who fight against the brutal truth of oppression and violence. We will also be discussing how states can work on an international level to alleviate and prevent conflict in other parts of the world. Lastly, we will delve into the rhetoric of the far-right to understand how this discourse has convinced and persuaded large parts of the European populations.

After the first week, we will have laid the historical and theoretical foundations for our further enquiry into inclusion in the Danish society.
**Topics of the week**

**Week 2 >>**

**There is a lovely country: Inclusion in Danish society**

This week we will examine and discuss inclusion in Danish society. Focusing on different groups in society, we will work with identifying preconditions for inclusion, the struggles towards being included, and how these struggles are so often intertwined with mechanisms of exclusion. Throughout the week, we will hear from groups in society who are often spoken about but rarely spoken with. Through lectures, site visits and city tours we will explore how exclusion is experienced and how people practice inclusion in various ways - through media, direct democracy, social entrepreneurship and civil action.

**Historical struggles towards rights**

Denmark can be characterised as a social democracy and is renowned internationally for its high levels of welfare. Arguably, one of the core foundations of the welfare state is to ensure the social and economic protection of its citizen while maintaining social cohesion. In light of this year’s historical focus, this week will explore how the Danish welfare state was created, and how different groups in society have struggled to gain political, social and economic rights within this state. This also provides us with a perspective that enables a more nuanced comparison between past and present challenges in Danish society.

**Between insider and outsider**

Though often spoken of in such ways, not all groups in the Danish society are included. Past and present alike, the formation of the Danish society has entailed the identification and actualization of boundaries between its insiders and its outsiders. Focusing on how minorities are perceived and treated, we will discuss how ethnic minorities are represented in Danish media, and the experiences of being Muslim and Jewish in a culturally Christian Danish society.

**Gender and equality**

Exclusion not only works through ethnicity, but through gender and sexuality. Although Denmark scores high in gender equality statistics compared to many other countries, serious discrepancies still remain between men and women in Denmark. Furthermore, the adherence to binary categories of gender prevents a considerable amount of people from being properly represented and included into mainstream society. This week we will look at how to address these issues and explore how organizations and activists work to further gender equality.
Responses from below

When people become marginalized by politics, legislation, national tendencies or discrimination, responses of different kinds emerge. When the state fails to include certain groups, civil society rises to face the challenge. In Denmark, a plethora of non-governmental movements and organizations are working to include groups in society ranging from persons seeking asylum, homeless persons, and LGBTQ persons. Throughout this week, we will be presented with the work and knowledge of different movements, initiatives and organizations, and discuss how they constitute a crucial component in the struggle for inclusion.

Looking abroad

Though we will be focusing mostly on Denmark in this week, we must constantly keep in mind simultaneous events and situations in other parts of Europe. We will therefore also leap into the current situation in Greece, and examine the connection between economic stagnation and the rise of right-wing movements. With an insight into the political and economic turmoil of present-day Greece, we will explore the common denominators of right wing anti-immigrant sentiments and how they vary from country to country.

Having delved into inclusion and exclusion in Danish and other European societies, we move into the third week by shifting our focus to Denmark’s colonial legacy and its contemporary manifestations.
Topics of the week

Week 3 >>

I had a farm in Africa: Denmark as a colonial power

What are the historical roots of racial discrimination and economic exploitation? Why is it important to understand and discuss the history of colonialism when working towards building inclusive societies? This week we will delve into these questions by exploring Denmark’s role as a colonial power. We will examine and discuss the reach of Denmark’s colonial power in terms of past violence and its impact on present discourses, structures and current sites of exploitation. How does Denmark’s history as a colonizing nation together with the history of those who have been colonized affect present-day issues of citizenships, race, identity, migration and global inequality?

A forgotten past?

With its colonies in the Caribbeans, Southern India and Western Africa, and dominion over Greenland, Iceland and the Faroe Islands, Denmark was one among many European empires which colonised territories and established systems of rule and slavery. However, Denmark’s colonial history has been much neglected in public debates, the educational system, literature and in political discussions.

This year’s 100th anniversary of the sale of the Danish West Indies to the United States has finally brought increased mainstream attention to Denmark historical role as colonial power. In his New Year’s speech of 2017, Danish Prime Minister Lars Løkke Rasmussen called the sale of the Islands the end of a horrible chapter in Danish history. But to which extent did this sale of the Islands mark an actual ending? To explore this question, we will, among others, hear from Special Advisor to the Governor of the U.S. Virgin Islands, Shelley Moorhead, on the importance of reparations and resettlement between Denmark and the U.S. Virgin Islands.

Greenland and the continuing colonial legacy

Though Denmark sold its last overseas colonies 100 years ago, Greenland and the Faroe Islands remain under Danish control. Both are now part of the Danish Realm, though Greenland was formally decolonized in 1953, gained Home Rule in 1979, and Self-Government in 2009. With this history in mind, we will study social and political challenges in Greenland today, Denmark’s colonial imprints on Greenland, and current Danish-Greenlandic relations. We will visit the Greenlandic House in Copenhagen to examine economic challenges, processes of decolonization and Greenlandic identity. We will also discuss current human rights challenges in Greenland, and hear from leading
Arctic expert Marin Breum on current power structures, geopolitical dynamics and issues of (in)dependence.

**Postcolonial perspectives and tools of resistance**

Resistance is a key topic this week, as the history of colonialism is also a history of resistance. Postcolonial theory will be introduced as an approach used to diagnose present-day structures of power in order to de-naturalize racial policies. We will be in conversation with the magazines *Friktion* and *Marronage*, and together discuss how the history of colonialism shapes and affects our worlds today. Walking through some of the key tourists sites in Copenhagen, we will be confronted with how these sites are implicated in the selling of slaves and colonial policies. Visual artist, La Vaughn Belle, will be guiding us through her exhibition at the exhibition space meter, showing us the many artistic ways in which she gives voice to the Danish colonial impact on the people of the U.S. Virgin Islands.

With Denmark’s colonial history at the forefront of our minds, we will into the fourth week, where we will examine future challenges to an inclusive global society.
Topics of the week

Week 4 >>

Where there is power, there is resistance: Future global challenges

During our last week together, and before heading for the Annual Humanity in Action International Conference in Berlin, we will focus on what future challenges lie ahead for an inclusive global society. We will also give space for each of you to reflect and work on your own projects for the future, and to discuss how these fit into the framework of what you have learnt during this Fellowship. Lastly, we will launch into the future by sharing with each other and the Humanity in Action network the Action Projects that you have had time and workshops to plan throughout the Fellowship.

Climate change and global equality

It is impossible to talk about the future of the globe without talking about climate change. As action against climate change relies on willing politicians, this issue is above all a global political challenge. Humanity in Action Senior Fellow and climate politics expert Alexander Ege will therefore engage us in a discussion of the future of political and civil action on climate change, and the consequences of inaction.

Global equality

Climate change is but one example of how global challenges often affect populations unequally. The last lecture of the Copenhagen Fellowship 2017 will be held by the Country Director of ActionAid Denmark, Tim Whyte, who has many years of experience working for a globally equal and fair society. He will give his perspectives on the future of such a society, and the challenges currently facing it.

Time for reflection

During these last days in Copenhagen, you will have time to reflect upon the previous weeks and think ahead. There will be time for collective as well as personal reflections, evaluations and bringing into play ideas and thoughts. How can you apply knowledge gained from the 2017 Copenhagen Fellowship in your own work? How does one move from knowledge and insight to action?
Time for action

On the last day of the Fellowship, you will have the chance to pitch the Action Project which you have spent the past several weeks creating and planning through workshops and discussions. This is your opportunity to spread your ideas to the rest of the Humanity in Action community, and to receive feedback and perspectives before heading towards the international conference in Berlin.

The Humanity in Action International Conference in Berlin

The last days of the week will be spent at the 2017 International Conference in Berlin together with the Fellows from the Fellowships in Sarajevo, Amsterdam, Berlin, Warsaw, Detroit and Atlanta, and the rest of the global Humanity in Action network. The conference will explore the rise of nationalist sentiment, xenophobic rhetoric and political extremism from Europe to the United States, together with the consequent challenges it poses to transatlantic relations and domestic policies on both sides of the Atlantic. In this way, our theme of the inclusive society is broadened out and put into an international context.

After the conference, it is time to return home. We hope you arrive back buzzing with new perspectives, challenging ideas, and greater courage.
**Berlin 2017**

**The Humanity in Action International Conference**

The Humanity in Action International Conference is the annual gathering of Humanity in Action Fellows, Senior Fellows, board members, friends and partner organizations. For Fellows, it is an opportune time to get acquainted with other Fellows, Senior Fellows, and the general network of Humanity in Action.

As the International Conference is a continuation of the Copenhagen Fellowship, all Fellows are expected to give the conference their full attention and participate in all parts of the program. Fellows will be housed together in a hostel close to the conference location, and Humanity in Action covers the cost of all participation including food, transport to and from the conference, and housing.

This year’s conference will take place from June 22-25, 2017, in Berlin, Germany. It will investigate the rise in nationalist sentiment, xenophobic rhetoric and political extremism across Europe and the United States, and the resultant challenges to transatlantic relations, European affairs and domestic policies on both sides of the Atlantic.

The Eighth Annual International Humanity in Action Conference seeks to give a platform to Humanity in Action Fellows to explore and formulate strategies to: counter right-wing populist, nationalist and extremist positions on both sides of the Atlantic; engage with individuals and communities that are committed to the political processes that form the basis of a strong democracy; reach out to individuals and communities that are drawn to nationalist and xenophobic policies and views; bridge the political, cultural and societal divisions in Europe and the United States; and digitally and virtually act in favor of the above mentioned goals.

The conference will include keynotes, discussions and workshops with leading German, European and international experts. It also featured the annual Senior Fellow Reunion Dinner, skills training sessions, networking opportunities and tours within Berlin.

Please watch Humanity in Action’s Facebook page for information about the conference schedule and speakers. A full schedule and list of conference speakers will be released via email and on the Humanity in Action conference website in June.
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Lectures
Site visits
Workshops
Group discussion and activities
Fellow Sessions
Senior Fellow Inspiration
Borup Højskole activities
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WEEKEND 1 >> Introductions

Friday, May 26
Global Platform, Fælledvej 12, building C, floor 4, 2200 Copenhagen N.
19.00 - 20.00: Welcome reception with Fellows, Senior Fellows and Humanity in Action board members.

Saturday, May 27
Borups Højskole, Frederiksholms Kanal 24, 1220 Copenhagen C
10.00 - 11.30: Brunch and getting to know each other
11.30 - 12.00: Presentation of Humanity in Action
12.00 - 13.00: Presentation of the 2017 Copenhagen Fellowship program
13.00 - 14.00: Lunch
14.00 - 15.00: Travel to Hellerup
15.00 - 17.00: Garden party with Fellows and host families

Sunday, May 28
Borups Højskole, Frederiksholms Kanal 24, 1220 Copenhagen C
10.00 - 11.30: A treasure hunt around Copenhagen
11.30 - 12.00: Practical information about Johan Borups Højskole
12.00 - 13.00: Lunch
13.00 - 14.00: Expectations for the Fellowship
14:00 - 16:00: Discussing and deciding on group values
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**WEEK 1 >> If this is a man: Persecution, flight and human rights**

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A lecture by Cecilje Stokholm Banke, Senior Researcher at the Danish Institute for International Studies | Welcome and introduction to the Raoul Wallenberg Institute and Human Rights  
A talk by Morten Kjaerum, Director of the Raoul Wallenberg Institute | 09.00 - 10.00  
Fellow Sessions | 09.45 - 10.30  
Senior Fellow Inspiration: Community Organizing  
with Gwen Gruner-Widding, 2015 John Lewis Fellow  
10.45 - 12.20  
Action Project Step 1: Connecting the Dots  
Workshop with Madeeha Mehmood, 2016 John Lewis Fellow and co-founder of Analog |
|             | 11.30 - 12.20 | Johan Borups Højskole  
A lecture by Bjørn Bredal, Journalist and Principal at Johan Borups Højskole | Inclusive societies with focus on human rights cities  
A lecture by Gabriella | 10.00 - 11.00  
Group discussion | 10.45 - 12.20  
Action Project Step 1: Connecting the Dots  
Workshop with Madeeha Mehmood, 2016 John Lewis Fellow and co-founder of Analog |
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Protecting civilians worldwide  
A lecture by Troels Gauslæ Engell, PhD at Centre for Military Studies | 11.10 - 12.15 | 10.30 - 11.40 |  
The persuasive campaigns strategies of the European far-right  
A lecture and group discussion by Anne Katrine Ebbesen, 2013 Copenhagen Fellow and 2014 Lantos Fellow |
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### WEEK 2 >> There is a lovely country: Inclusion in Danish society

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**OPTIONAL WEEKEND RETREAT**

**SATURDAY JUNE 10**

Swimming and having a summery time at the house of Humanity in Action Denmark Chair, Anders Jerichow

From 11.00 - 16.00
**WEEK 3 >> I had a farm in Africa: Denmark as a colonial power**

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Founding Director of Humanity in Action  
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A city tour with Basta, a Copenhagen-based community |
|                 | 13.30 - 14.00 Travel to the Greenlandic House  
14.00 - 15.30 Decolonization, identity and economic challenges in Greenland  
A presentation at the Greenlandic house by Søren Thalund, culture-and information staff, and Ortu March Olsen, MA student in Eksimology and Arctic Studies |
|                 | 13.30 - 16.30 Integrating with the Other  
A presentation by Jacob Holdt, photographer, writer and lecturer  
16.45 - 17.45 Group discussion |
|                 | 13.30 - 14.45 Fellow Sessions  
15.00 - 16.30 Denmark and the U.S. Virgin Islands  
A talk by Shelley Moorhead, Special Advisor to the Governor of the U.S. Virgin Islands  
14.00 - 17.00 Evaluating, discussing and making decisions |
| 18.00 - 19.00   | Dinner                                                                   |
| 19.00 - 22.00   | Dinner                                                                   |
| 19.00 - 21.30   | The Greenland Dilemma: Indigenous or Independent?  
Keynote by Martin Breum, Journalist and lecturer  
House of Performance  
At Borups Højskole |
**2017 COPENHAGEN FELLOWSHIP AGENDA**

**WEEK 4 >> Where there is power, there is resistance: Future global challenges**

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| 13.30 - 17.00 | **Open space**  
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| 13.30 - 16.00 | **Action Project Step 4:**  
**Pitching your project**  
Workshop with Fellow Madeeha Mehmood |
| 16.00 - 17.00 | **Pitch your project**  
All Fellows will pitch their Action Project to the Humanity in Action network |
| 17.00 - 18.00 | Dinner                                                                   |
| 19.00 - 22.00 | **Celebratory Farewell Dinner**                                         |
| 14.19      | Arrival in Berlin Hauptbahnhof                                           |
Fellowship speakers

Week 1 >>
If this is a man

>> Monday, May 29

Cecilie Felicia Stokholm Banke
Senior Researcher of Foreign Policy, Danish Institute for International Studies
Cecilie Felicia Stokholm Banke holds a PhD in History, and serves as the Head of the Danish Delegation to the International Holocaust Remembrance Alliance. Cecilie Banke has published articles and books on refugee policy in Europe before and during the WWII, contemporary anti-semitism, and the politics of memory in Europe after 1989. Her research now concerns current affairs within Turkey and its relationship with Europe.

Bjørn Bredal
Principal of Johan Borups Højskole
Bjørn Bredal is a journalist, author and former editor at Danish publishing house Gyldendal and newspapers Weekendavisen and Politiken, where he remains a contributing writer. He has a Master’s in French and Music, and has studied in Paris and at Oxford University. He is an officer of the ‘Ordre des Arts et des Lettres’, a member of the Danish-Norwegian Cooperation Foundation, and the chairman of the Wilhelm Hansen Foundation.

Katja Lund Thomsen
Program Intern, Humanity in Action Denmark
Katja Lund Thomsen has a BA in Peace and Conflict studies from Malmö University, and she is currently studying a Master’s in Development Studies at Lund University. Her primary research interest is in the intersection between conflict analysis, ethnography and postcolonial studies. She has been an intern in the Danish Refugee Council Youth where she organized voluntary groups and developed campaign material, and is currently working as a student assistant in the Danish NGO HopeNow, which works to assist trafficked people. As an intern in Humanity in Action Denmark, she has developed and planned the Copenhagen Fellowship 2017.

Mikkel Otto Hansen
Program Intern, Humanity in Action Denmark
Mikkel has an MA in Development and International Relations with a specialisation in contemporary refugee issues from Aalborg University. He spent a semester abroad in India studying Peace- and Conflict studies. Mikkel remains engaged in guiding refugees and asylum seekers through the Danish asylum system by providing personal
assistance, case processing and visits to Danish asylum camps with the Danish NGO Refugees Welcome.

**Emilie Bang-Jensen**

*National Director, Humanity in Action Denmark*

Emilie Bang-Jensen holds a BA in English and History from the University of Copenhagen and an MSc in Empire, Colonialism and Globalisation from the London School of Economics and Political Science. She started working in Humanity in Action Denmark as a research assistant on the project “October ‘43”, a commemoration of the rescue of the Danish Jews during WWII. She later became Program Coordinator and is now National Director, coordinating educational programs and the annual Copenhagen Fellowship.

>> Tuesday, May 30

**Raoul Wallenberg Institute of Human Rights (RWI)**

The Raoul Wallenberg Institute takes its name after Raoul Wallenberg, the Swedish diplomat who saved tens of thousands of Jews and other people at risk in Hungary at the end of World War II. The institute combines evidence-based human rights research with direct engagement with international organisations, governments, national human rights institutions, the justice sector, local and regional authorities, universities, and the business sector to bring about human rights change for all.

**Gabriella Fredriksson**

*Team Leader, Inclusive Societies at RWI*

Gabriella Frederiksson coordinates and develops RWI programs and activities for inclusive societies within research, advocacy, networking and direct engagement in Sweden, in program countries and globally. She has a Master's degree in Law from Lund University and has previously worked in Save the Children Sweden and at the Swedish Ministry for Foreign Affairs.

**Karl Adam Tiderman**

*Librarian, RWI*

Karl Adam Tiderman is the Raoul Wallenberg Institute Librarian. He has worked at the Institute since 2010. He has a BA in Humanities from Lund University and a Master Degree in Library and Information Science from Borås University, and he has also taken several academic courses on programming. Karl Adam Tiderman has worked as librarian since 2006 and has a previously worked at Lund University and in the private sector.

**Radu Mares**

*Associate Professor and Team Leader of Economic Globalisation and Human Rights, RWI*

Radu Mares is senior researcher at Raoul Wallenberg Institute of Human Rights. He has Doctor of Law (2006) and Associate Professor (Reader/Docent) (2012) degrees from the Faculty of Law, Lund University, Sweden. He is specialised in the area of business
and human rights, with a focus on multinational enterprises and global supply chains. His work combines transnational law, corporate governance and corporate social responsibility perspectives.

Matthew Scott

Doctoral Student, Lund University

Matthew Schott is an international lawyer conducting doctoral research on the application of refugee and human rights law in the context cross-border disaster-related displacement.

>> Wednesday, May 31

Troels Gauslø Engell

PhD at Centre for Military Studies, University of Copenhagen

Troels Gauslø Engell is a PhD Fellow at the Centre for Military Studies at the University of Copenhagen. He comes from a position as human rights officer in the UN office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights, where he served first in Ramallah, Palestine, and then at UN Headquarters in New York. His primary research is about the diplomatic practice of negotiating resolutions at the UN Security Council, with an emphasis on the role of human rights in the UN’s peace and security agenda.

Ole Phillipson

Former Ambassador and Charges D'affaires at the Danish Embassy in Santiago, Chile

Ole Phillipson and his family fled the Nazis from Denmark to Sweden in October 1943. He wrote a diary now exhibited at the Danish Jewish Museum in Copenhagen. After joining the Danish Foreign Service and after various posts abroad he was sent to Chile in 1973, a month before the military coup against President Salvador Allende. He then became deeply involved in interviewing and granting visas to Chileans persecuted by the military regime - in a total of 1000 visas.

>> Thursday, June 1

Steven L. B. Jensen

Researcher at the Danish Institute for Human Rights

Steven Jensen holds a PhD in History from the University of Copenhagen, and joined the Danish Institute for Human Rights in 2007 as a project manager. He has previously worked for the Danish Ministry of Foreign Affairs and the United Nations (UNAIDS). His book The Making of International Human Rights, 1945-1993 is based on archival work from 10 different countries and is an attempt to write a new international history of human rights during the Cold War period. His current research focuses on the international history of economic and social rights after 1945.
Anne Katrine Ebbesen
Risk Assessment Officer at Railnet Denmark
Humanity in Action 2013 Copenhagen Fellow and 2014 Lantos Fellow

Anne Katrine Ebbesen is a former intern at Humanity In Action Denmark from 2012, a 2013 Copenhagen Fellow, and a 2014 Lantos Fellow. With a BA and MA in Rhetoric from the University of Copenhagen, specializing in nationalism, conflict theory and campaign strategies, she is also trained in conflict resolution and inter-religious dialogue from programs in Lebanon, Armenia and Denmark. Anne Katrine Ebbesen has worked for a labour union, a Christian humanitarian organization, and is currently a risk assessment officer working on EU infrastructure laws regarding safety and interoperability.

Tali Padan
Director of MellemEducation

Tali Padan has worked for the Anne Frank Trust in England and the Anne Frank House in Amsterdam, delivering workshops and trainings about the Holocaust and how we can reflect and act on discrimination today. Now Director of Mellem Education, Tali Padan delivers trainings across Europe and the U.S. in the fields of intercultural communication, and conflict management through democracy and human rights education. She also work on bridging the gap between Jewish-Muslim communities in Europe.

JP/Politikens Hus
Media company

JP/Politiken is one of Denmark’s leading media companies in printed, digital and mobile publications. It publishes the daily newspapers Politiken, Jyllands-Posten and Ekstra Bladet, and the house if often used for events, debates, lectures and exhibitions.

Raji Sourani
Gaza-based Director of the Palestinian Center for Human Rights (PCHR)

Raji Sourani is a Founder and Director of the Palestinian Center for Human Rights, which has received international praise and recognition for its research and advocacy role on the Israeli occupation of Palestine, as well as its direct intervention on human rights issues in the Palestinian territories.

Hagai El-Ad
Executive Director of the Israeli Information Center for Human Rights in the Occupied Territories “Beit T’Tselem”

Hagai El-Ad is an Israeli human rights activist and the Executive Director of B’Tselem. He is the former Executive Director of the Association for Civil Rights in Israel (ACRI) and is also a blogger at The Huffington Post. Hagai El-Ad was the first Executive Director of the Jerusalem Open House (JOH), the community and advocacy center for the city’s LGBT community.
Gwen Gruner-Widding

Law student
*Humanity in Action 2015 John Lewis Fellow*

Gwen Gruner-Widding is an organizer, activist, feminist and a Law student. She has worked for student organizations in Colombia, been an EU-lobbyist for student rights in Brussels, and a student organizer in vocational schools. Throughout 2015, Gwen Gruner-Widding was a key actor in renewing the student organizing efforts around the University of Copenhagen. Based on this experience, she has since been engaged as a trainer in various organizations and with the think tank CEVEA.

Madeeha Mehmood

*Co-founder and partner at Analog*
*Humanity in Action 2016 John Lewis Fellow*

As a partner in Analog, Madeeha Mehmood offers assistance, design and educational programmes to organizations with a focus on the development of analogue solutions. Madeeha Mehmood has worked in the the United States Embassy in Copenhagen and on the Bernie Sanders campaign in U.S. Through her voluntary work in amongst other DFUNK, Red Cross Youth and the Danish Refugee Youth Council, she has gained extensive knowledge about minority issues and social inclusion. Madeeha Mehmood has a BA from the University of Southern Denmark in Business Economy and Business Language.

Think Rights

*Danish Forum for Human Rights*

Think Rights was founded in 2013 by students and young professionals in Denmark with a common interest in human rights. Their mission is to create a platform where a variety of human rights stakeholders (students, researchers and practitioners) can meet and share ideas, knowledge and experiences on human rights issues.
Fellowship speakers

Week 2 >>
There is a lovely country

>> Monday, June 5

DIALOGIK

Volunteer-based dialogue association

DIALOGIK is a newly started volunteer-based youth organisation, working in collaboration with Danish Center for Conflict Resolution and with roots in the Danish Youth Council’s (DUF) Danish-Arab dialogue project. DIALOGIK’s main objective is to foster a culture of dialogue in Denmark. The purpose of dialogue is to create a more inter-human understanding and stronger cohesion across differences. It is the aim of the organisation to do so by creating workshops and other dialogue-related activities across the country while disseminating the principles of dialogue in public debate.

Jens Kjærgaard

DIALOGIK

Jens Kjærgaard studies Law at the University of Copenhagen and works for the public prosecutor. Focusing on international development, Jens Kjærgaard facilitates dialogues in DIALOGIK and engages in different projects in the Danish Youth Council.

Mia Horup Pedersen

DIALOGIK

Mia Pedersen studies Migration Studies at University of Copenhagen. She is an Analysis Student at the National Council for Children, where she works primarily with the inclusion of children and analysis of the lives of refugee children in Denmark.

Nina Bengtsson

DIALOGIK

Nina Bengtsson studies International Business and Politics at Copenhagen Business School. In her spare time she spends much energy engaging in the online magazine Zetland and in United World College, an international peace- and educational organisation.
meter

*Exhibition space*

meter is an exhibition space for curatorial experimentation. The first two years are focused on creating exhibitions that apply an explorative approach to the society that surrounds us through art and artistic practices. Through art there is an opportunity for creating another space for reflecting, contemplating and discussing the things that concern us and affect our everyday lives.

**La Vaughn Belle**

*Visual artist*

La Vaughn Belle was born in Trinidad and Tobago in 1974 and relocated to the U.S. Virgin Islands the same year. She holds an MFA from the Instituto Superior de Arte in Havana, Cuba and an MA and BA from Columbia University, New York. Her work responds to the questions surrounding the coloniality of the U.S. Virgin Islands, both in its present relationship to the U.S. and its past one to Denmark. La Vaughn Belle has exhibited her work in the Caribbean, the U.S. and Europe, and participated in such exhibitions as the Havana Bienal and the Caribbean: Crossroads of the World exhibit at the Museo del Barrio in New York. She currently lives and works in St. Croix, U.S. Virgin Islands.

>> Tuesday, June 6

**Bo Lidegaard**

*Historian and journalist at Politiken*

Bo Lidegaard is the former editor-in-chief at the daily newspaper *Politiken* and often figures in current political debates. He was Advisor on Foreign Policy to the former Danish Prime Minister Anders Fogh Rasmussen, and has worked as a civil servant in the Danish Foreign Ministry as well as a diplomat at the Danish Embassy in Paris. He is also an esteemed historian, holding a doctorate in History from the University of Copenhagen, and has published several books on Danish history and diplomatic relations.

**Magnus Harrison**

*Social entrepreneur
  *Humanity in Action 2008 New York Fellow and 2009 Lantos Fellow*

Magnus Meyer Harrison is the former National Director of Humanity in Action Denmark. He was a Fellow on the Humanity in Action New York Fellowship in 2008, and has been both in San Francisco and Washington DC as a Humanity in Action Lantos Fellow (2009). He holds a BA in History from Copenhagen University and an MA in EU and Global Studies with a focus on European political economy from Roskilde University. He is currently working on his own social business and is engaged in *Demokratiscenen*, an association working to strengthen democracy as an inclusive practice.
**DareGender**

*Organization working towards gender equality*

DareGender is a newly started Danish organization for all genders working towards gender equality. DareGender focuses on dismantling negative masculine stereotypes through positive change agency in projects, campaigns, outreach, awareness-raising, mobilization, and participation. DareGender’s work is research-based, and the organization collaborates with a wide spectrum of actors on a grass root-, organizational- and political level.

**Piv Helene la Cour Freiesleben**

*Co-founder and Project Coordinator of DareGender*

Piv Freiesleben holds a BA in Intercultural and International Social Work from the Metropolitan University College Copenhagen, and is educated in change agency and facilitation from Action Aid Denmark. While working with the Women’s Council in Denmark, Piv Freiesleben was introduced to international actors using a masculinity perspective in their work towards gender equality. This completely changed her understanding of gender inequality and quickly led to new ideas and approaches in her work for gender justice.

**Nicolai Bækmark Zoffmann**

*Spokesperson for DareGender*

Nicolai Zoffmann holds a BA in Techno-Anthropology. He uses tools from his studies to investigate interactions with cultures and people when working with equality in everyday life and men’s commitment to gender equality. Both subjects are part of DareGender’s core areas. Since 2014, he has been involved in engaging men in feminisms, and he has made a hard effort to shed light on the otherwise static image many men have of feminisms.

**Responsible Press**

*Association working for a responsible press*

Since 2007, Responsible Press has done lectures, workshops and debate activities for media user about the press. It is their aim to spread knowledge about journalistic methods, routines, editorial cultures and media structures, which all constitute the foundation from which medias select and communicate. At the same time, Responsible Press contributes to the internal discussion in the media business about ethics and representation of sources in order to nuance journalistic practices, break stereotypes and put focus on the responsibility of journalism.

**Hetav Rojav**

*Freelance journalist and part of Responsible Press*

Hetav Rojan is a freelance journalist formerly based in Iraq, Saudi Arabia and Turkey. He is part of Responsible Press, an association of journalists seeking to highlight ethical dilemmas in reporting and the representation of ethnic minorities in Danish media.
is currently writing his MA thesis on Denmark’s civilian casualty mitigation practices in the fight against Islamic State in Iraq and Syria.

>> Wednesday, June 7

Salaam Shalom Copenhagen
Organization for inter-religious dialogue
Salaam Shalom Copenhagen was started as a way to get Jewish and Muslim minorities in Denmark to meet, talk and make friends across cultural, religious and political boundaries.

Maria Arcel
Correspondent in Greece for Berlingske News
Maria Arcel is Berlingske News’ correspondent in Greece. She graduated as a journalist from University of Southern Denmark in 2015. During her career she has specialized in Greek culture, having always lived in Athens where she also finished her BA. Maria Arcel has also worked in different editorial offices at DR news (Danish Broadcasting Operation) for 2 years, including DR’s foreign office.

>> Thursday, June 8

Trampoline House
Independent community center for refugees and asylum-seekers
The Trampoline House is an independent community center in Copenhagen that provides refugees and asylum seekers in Denmark with a place of support, community, and purpose. Four days a week, the house offers different classes and activities, legal counseling, and friendship with the aim of breaking the social isolation and sense of powerlessness that many refugees and asylum seekers experience. Trampoline House brings together asylum seekers and Danish citizens, refugees and other residents of Denmark, united by a desire to improve the conditions for asylum seekers and refugees.

CAMP
Center for Art on Migration Politics
Trampoline House has its very own exhibition space CAMP / Center for Art on Migration Politics. The center is a nonprofit exhibition venue for art discussing questions of displacement, migration, immigration, and asylum. CAMP produces exhibitions on displacement and migration with renowned international artists as well as less established practitioners, prioritizing artists with refugee or migrant experience.

Morten Goll
Director of Trampoline House
Morten Goll is a socio-politically engaged artist working with social platforms for political change. Based in Copenhagen, he holds an MFA from the Royal Danish Academy of
Fine Arts (1994) and an MFA from Otis College of Art and Design (1999). He is one of the co-founders and current Director of the Trampoline House.

Jana Aresin

MA in Advanced Migration Studies and Intern at Trampoline House

Jana Aresin has been working as an education intern at CAMP/ Center for Art on Migration Politics since January 2017. She is currently enrolled in the Master’s program Advanced Migration Studies at the University of Copenhagen and has a Bachelor's degree in Japanese Studies.

>>Friday, June 9

Alice Minor

Project Worker at DIGNITY (Danish Institute Against Torture)

Humanity in Action 2011 Copenhagen Fellow

Alice Minor was a U.S. Fellow on the Copenhagen Fellowship in 2011 and has since settled in Copenhagen where she has engaged in the queer, feminist collective KaPow and the fight for equal rights for transgender individuals. She has an MA from Global Refugee Studies at Aalborg University and currently advises the Danish Institute Against Torture on best practices in conducting surveys of LGBTI people.

Laura Mølggaard Tams

Activist and lecturer

Laura Tams is a queer anarchist working on issues of transgender identities, non-heterosexualities, gender nonconformity and femininity. She founded and edits the online cultural journal Killjoy, and participates actively in the public debate about transgender rights and queer identities. She holds a BA in Computer Science from the University of Copenhagen, and currently works as a web developer.

Michael Lodberg

Social entrepreneur

Since 1990, Michael Lodberg Olsen has worked with social innovation and the development of welfare from a user-based perspective with the inclusion of civil society. He is initiator of Denmark’s first supervised injection site (in Danish: “fixerum”) Fixelancen, and he is also behind initiatives such as Sexelancen, Café DUGNAD, Antidote Denmark, and Illegal Magasin.

Street Voices

A social enterprise offering lectures and city tours by socially vulnerable groups

Street Voices is a Copenhagen-based social enterprise for the socially vulnerable that the ordinary labor market is unable to cater for. They work to create meaningful employment and an enhanced quality of life, with the ultimate aim of helping each person become independent of government benefits. They offer guided walking tours that focus on the guide’s personal story of a life on the dark side of society. Street
Voices gives the socially vulnerable a voice in the public debate and an opportunity to support themselves.

**Christina - Street Voices**

*City guide in the social enterprise Street Voices*

Christina, also known as Arab Christina, was given her nickname when she came home from the Gulf War in 1990. She has been a soldier in Lebanon and a spy for Mossad. She describes herself as someone who was feared on the streets of Copenhagen, selling drugs with Serbian bodyguards by her side. Moreover, she is a previous drug user and homeless person, and has spent many of her days in prison, convicted of both violence and theft. Currently, she is under medical treatment for three diagnoses - drug addiction, ADHD and post-traumatic stress. She does guided tours for Street Voices, taken groups around Copenhagen to experience the city from her point of view.
Fellowship speakers

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I had a farm in Africa

>> Monday, June 12

Lars Jensen
Associate Professor at Roskilde University

Lars Jensen has an MA from the Aarhus University in English and Mass Communication (1990) and a Ph.D. from the School of English, University of Leeds, UK (1997), in Postcolonial Studies. He has taught at RUC since 1996, and at the Department of Cultural Encounters since 2000. He has a background in Anglophone literature but works predominantly in the hybrid space between Cultural Studies and Postcolonial Studies. His research areas primarily centres around postcolonial Denmark, postcolonial Australia and postcolonial Europe.

Ulla Rahbek
Assistant Professor, University of Copenhagen

Ulla Rahbek is an Assistant Professor of Postcolonial Studies at Centre for Australian Studies at the University of Copenhagen. She teaches British and Postcolonial Studies and has written her MA on Christina Stead and a Doctoral dissertation on black British writer Caryl Phillips. She is co-author of Texts in Time: British Cultural Narratives from Defoe to Blair (2005) and A Short Introduction to the History of the United Kingdom (2006). Her current research interests are black British culture, multicultural Britain, and Australian children's literature.

Dr. Judith Goldstein
Humanity in Action Founder and Executive Director

Dr. Judith S. Goldstein received a Bachelor's degree from Cornell University in 1962 with a concentration on European and American history. As a Woodrow Wilson Scholar at Columbia University, she then studied for a Master's degree in European history and wrote her thesis on the “Mouvement Republican Populaire and the Franco Vietnamese War, 1946-1954.” In 1972, she completed her doctoral studies at Columbia University after writing her dissertation on “The Politics of Ethnic Pressure: The American Jewish Committee Fight Against Immigration Restriction: 1906-1917.” She worked as the Executive Director of Thanks To Scandinavia, started by the Danish pianist Victor Borge to acknowledge Scandinavians who resisted Nazism and protected Jews during the Second World War. In 1997, she founded Humanity in Action and began to serve as its Executive Director.
Basta

Copenhagen-based activist community

Basta is a community and a group of activists who works to fight structural oppression and inequality in its many forms. Based in the area of Copenhagen and with roots in feminists movements and the radical left, Basta engages in media debates, demonstrations, and arrange city tours through Imperial Copenhagen.

>> Tuesday, June 13

Cecilie Tang Møldrup

Librarian at the Arctic Library, University of Copenhagen.

Cecilie Tang Møldrup has an MA and BA in History from the University of Copenhagen with a minor in Journalism from the Danish School of Media and Journalism. She has worked at the National History Museum at Frederiksborg Castle and specializes in Greenlandic history, language and culture. She currently works as the librarian at the University of Copenhagen’s Arctic Library, advising students and researchers at the Institute for Eskimology and Arctic Studies.

Mandana Zarrehparvar

Chief Adviser, The Danish Institute for Human Rights

Mandana Zarrehparvar is a Chief Adviser at the Danish Institute for Human Rights, Denmark’s and Greenland’s national human rights institution. She is currently a program manager for the Institute’s mandate in Greenland. She is an expert on issues regarding the principle of non-discrimination and equal treatment, and the human rights-based approach. At the moment, parallel to her work in Greenland, she is conducting a study on the rights of homeless people in Denmark.

The Greenlandic House

Kalaallit Iluutaat - The Greenlandic House in Copenhagen.

The Greenlandic House is the passage to and from Greenland. For the past 40 years, the house has been a venue for the many Greenlanders who reside in Denmark together with those who have an interest in Greenland. The house hosts a range of activities and is frequently used for debates, culture and parties. The house also communicates knowledge on Greenland where focus is on culture, education and the social domain. Members of the house carry out a number of assignments for self-governing Greenland, the Ministry of Social Affairs and the Ministry of Justice in Denmark, and collaborate with public stakeholders in Denmark and Greenland. The Greenlandic House works daily to diminish the distance between Denmark and Greenland.
Søren Thalund
*Culture- and Information Staff, The Greenlandic House*

Søren Thalund is cand. Phil. in Greenland’s language and culture. He has been living in Greenland for 11 years and has since 2007 worked for the Culture and Information Department in the Greenlandic House.

Ortu Mørch Olsen
*MA student, Eskimology and Arctic Studies, The Greenlandic House*

As a Master student in Eskimology and Arctic Studies at the University of Copenhagen, Ortu Mørch Olsen focuses on decolonization, identity, migration and issues of perception from both a sociological and anthropological perspective.

Martin Breum
*Journalist and lecturer*

Martin Breum is one of Denmark’s leading experts on the Arctic and the Danish Realm consisting of Denmark, Greenland and the Faroe Islands. He is a recurrent contributor to Danish newspaper Information, to Sermitsiaq – a leading Greenlandic newspaper, to arcticjournal.com, to the English-speaking EU-Observer and the Norwegian news site hignorthnews.no. From 2003 to 2014, he was the host of the daily in-depth news program Deadline on Danish national television, and has produced several TV programs on Greenland and the Arctic.

>> Wednesday, June 14

Kim Lindgaard Jørgensen
*eLearning Designer at CanopyLab*  
*Humanity in Action 2015 Copenhagen Fellow and 2016 Lantos Fellow*

Kim Lindgaard Jørgensen is an eLearning Designer at CanopyLAB, which is an interactive learning platform and community for youth around the world. Kim Jørgensen graduated from Aalborg University in 2015 with an MA in Culture, Communication and Globalization with a specialization in International Migration and Ethnic Relations. Kim also holds a BSc in Public Administration from Aalborg University. After earning his MA, spent five months as a Lantos Fellow in the American Congress. As his Action Project, Kim mentored on the course “Roma: A discussion of diversity and the treatment of minorities”, created by CanopyLAB and Humanity in Action Denmark.

Jacob Holdt
*Photographer, writer and lecturer*

Jacob Holdt’s mammoth work, *American Pictures*, gained international fame in 1977 for its effective photographic revelations about the hardships of America’s lower classes. For 5 years Jacob Holdt hitchhiked around the United States without money, thereby gaining insight into both the poorest and richest environments in the country. The increasing racism in Europe has motivated Jacob Holdt - with his experience from
workshops with American students - to create a new and updated European version of American Pictures.

>> Thursday, June 15

The Bridge Radio

*Voices against borders.*

The Bridge Radio is a media where people in the asylum camps and with experience of migration can share everyday experiences, strategies, ideas for mobilization, tips and tricks. Its aim is to break the isolation between the asylum camps and create links to people living outside of the camps. It is the belief of the organisation that the exercise of border controls, state control, detention and asylum procedures are oppressive by nature.

Shelley Moorhead

*Special Advisor to the Governor of the U.S. Virgin Islands*

*Founder at ACRRRA / African-Caribbean Reparations and Resettlement Alliance*

Shelley Moorhead has worked extensively in government with the relations between Denmark and the former Danish West Indies, now the U.S. Virgin Islands. He has become the spokesperson for the importance of reparations and resettlement between Denmark and the U.S. Virgin Islands, and is guesting Denmark this year due to the 100th anniversary of the sale of the Danish West Indies to the United States.

>> Friday, June 16

Friktion

*A magazine for gender, body and culture*

Friktion, magazine for gender, body and culture is a quarterly magazine that brings radical thought, academic texts and lived experienced together with art, visual works, sound and other forms of expression to its readers online and in print. Friktion offers a global critical feminist view on political, economic, social, academic and activist subjects, and sees gender as embroidered within all aspects of society.

Nazila Kivi

*Co-creator and editor of Friktion*

Nazila Kivi is the co-creator and editor of Friktion magazine and a literary critic and writer, sometimes writing for the daily newspaper *Politiken*. She has studied Medicine and Public Health with a focus on gender, race and population policies. She has worked with sexual rights, and education and has been involved in research on reproductive health, migration and public discourse. She is a recurrent critical voice addressing colonial and feminationalist discourse and politics in public debates in Denmark.
Iben Cecilie Nilsson

*Co-editor at Friktion*

Iben Nilsson is co-editor at Friktion and is currently studying International Migration and Ethnic Relations at Malmö University. She has previously studied Iranian studies at University of Tehran and has a Bachelor’s degree in History from University of Copenhagen. Her primary focus is gendered and racialized citizenship, nation-building processes, and the consequential problems of democratic participation.

**Marronage**

*Decolonizing the present*

Marronage means organized slave rebellion or runaway slave, and the journal marks the 100th year anniversary of Denmark’s sale of the US Virgin Islands to the United States. The journal documents, discusses and conveys themes related to the Danish colonial past, and traces of colonialism in general, from an artistic, activist and academic perspective. Marronage wants to give a voice to those erased by the history books, and to demonstrate that colonialism still affects and shapes our world today.

**Sophia Wathne**

*Marronage*

Sophia is a co-editor of Marronage and has a MA in Political Science, with a specialization in political theory, and focus on social movements, human rights and alternative forms of resistance.

**Mai Takawira**

*Marronage*

Mai is a co-editor of Marronage and holds a MA in Modern Culture with focus on de-colonial strategies in contemporary art.
**Fellowship speakers**

**Week 4 >>**

**Where there is power, there is resistance**

>> Monday, June 19

**Alexander Ege**

*Program Manager for Sustainable Finance and International Climate Governance at KR Foundation*

2006 Copenhagen Fellow

Alexander Ege is responsible for KR Foundation’s work on sustainable finance, international climate governance, trade and related areas. Alexander Ege is an expert in advocacy and international climate policy, with a Master’s degree in international development studies and EU studies, and almost 10 years’ experience in the non-profit and the public sector as a policy advisor and coordinator. Alexander Ege has held positions at (inter alia) CARE, ActionAid, Climate Action Network and the Danish Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

>> Tuesday, June 20

**Tim Whyte**

*Country Director, ActionAid Denmark*

Tim Whyte has been the Country Director of ActionAid Denmark since September 2016. He holds a Bachelor’s degree in Colonial History from U.S. and a degree in Journalism from Danish School of Media and Journalism. He wrote his Master’s thesis on slavery in Nepal. He has, among other things, worked as Chief of Communication in Forest’s of the World and Save the Children International’s department in Bangladesh. The common denominator of Tim Whyte’s work has been to safeguard the rights of vulnerable people around the world.
**Action Projects**

**Turning knowledge into action**

All Humanity in Action Fellows plan and implement an Action Project - a hands-on initiative inspired by their Fellowship experience. Action Projects give Fellows the opportunity to take what they learned during their Fellowship programs and use that knowledge to address real-life issues in their 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.

Fellows begin planning their Action Projects during their Fellowship programs. Humanity in Action encourages Fellows to reach out and share ideas with one another at the International Conference and through HIA Connect, which you will receive a login for during the Fellowship. Once Fellows return home, they continue to develop their plans and then implement their projects in their home communities or beyond. All Fellows must complete their Action Projects within a year of the conclusion of their Fellowship programs.

Upon completion, all Action Projects are featured and archived on the Humanity in Action website. We aim to use this archive of hundreds of Action Projects as a resource for both future Humanity in Action Fellows and the broader public, so that both audiences can enhance their social action through our collective resources.

### 2017 Action Projects

During the 2017 Copenhagen Fellowship, Humanity in Action Denmark makes sure that all Fellows receive as many resources as possible for implementing their Action Project. This will take the form of several workshops where Fellows are given space to cultivate and develop ideas, organize and plan a project, and pitch their ideas to each other and members of the Humanity in Action network.

After the Fellowship, each Fellow’s respective national office will be responsible for following up with the Fellows about their Action Projects. This means that Humanity in Action Denmark will be responsible for Fellows chosen from Denmark, including the Danish Fellows in the Sarajevo, John Lewis and Detroit Fellowship. We are at the moment fundraising for a series of workshops held throughout the fall of 2017 and the spring of 2018 to aid the process of creating and implementing an Action Projects.

If you want to know more, we recommend that you check out our webpage with helpful tips and resources for planning and executing an Action Project.
How do you develop an Action Project?

>> Identify the issue
How does your own community address issues of diversity and minority rights? Which issues are similar to those you discovered during the Fellowship program in the summer? Which are different? How is the context different? Why do you care about this issue?

>> Search for solutions
Brainstorm. Create a shortlist of possible solutions to the problem. Talk and collaborate with other Humanity in Action Fellows. Reach out to Senior Fellows, and Humanity in Action board and staff members for advice.

>> Keep it manageable
Consider your abilities, time and resources. What solutions are both possible and probable? Be ambitious, but keep your project manageable too. By far, the most common reasons that Action Projects fail is that the scope of the project is too broad. Narrowing the focus makes implementation and evaluation much more feasible.

What tips and suggestions are helpful for developing an Action Project?

>> Know the problem, audience, and method
The project should be focused on addressing a specific challenge, with a specific method, for a specific audience. For example, if the problem is about the challenge of immigrant children being excluded from educational opportunities, a hypothetical method could be a campaign to raise awareness among an audience of immigrant parents in the neighborhood on the subject of after-school programs that would be helpful for their children. Or it could be about educating the local city council or school board about a successful after-school program a fellow might have visited during the Humanity in Action program.

>> Creativity
There are any number of ways that one can address social, environmental or civic challenges through an Action Project. Fellows should also consider the Action Projects as opportunities to experiment and to showcase their talents.

>> A clear goal
The experience of past Fellows shows that the project will be both easier and more effective if one can very clearly articulate the goal to be achieved (e.g., helping enroll 15 immigrant children in a language-training course) and the specific steps one would need to take to meet this goal (e.g., working with a local NGO to publicize the language-training course among parents). Ideally, the goal should be measurable and verifiable.
Don't reinvent the wheel

In many cases, the most successful Action Projects are not entirely original ideas at all. They are just examples of a Humanity in Action Fellow coming up with a great way to implement someone else’s good idea in their own community.

Don't fear failure

Not all Action Projects need to “succeed” to be regarded as a success. The experience of defining a project, articulating a goal and implementing a plan is in itself a valuable experience—even if the project does not meet the original goals outlined by the project creators. In fact, many “failed” Action Projects inspire Fellows to develop better ideas and provide a learning experience that has been useful for Fellows in their careers and volunteer efforts.

What resources are available for your Action Project?

Humanity in Action encourages Fellows to utilize its network as they plan and implement their action projects. There are Senior Fellows, board members, staff, speakers and friends of the organization working in every sector and on every social issue imaginable.

Senior Fellows

There is a broad range of professional and academic expertise within the community of Senior Fellows. We encourage you to network with Senior Fellows who have designed successful Action Projects in prior years, as well as with those Senior Fellows who have professional experience that will enhance your project. The national Senior Fellows associations in Europe and the United States will be an immediate source of support for you.

National Staff

The national staff of your home country is a great resource for learning about past successful Action Projects, as well as national resources and external funding sources that might be available for your initiative.
Keeping it neat

Practical information

During our four weeks at Johan Borups Højskole, we are going to blend into the daily rhythm of the school and its students. This includes participating in morning assemblies, and cleaning and eating together. It is therefore of great importance that we follow the rules of the school.

>> Morning assemblies
Each morning, students at Johan Borups Højskole partake in morning assemblies starting at 8.45 am. The school has a strict policy regarding attendance of the morning assemblies, which we will also respect and follow. Morning assemblies last 30 minutes and involve singing together and listening to individual students presenting a topic of their own choosing.

>> Food
Every day, breakfast is served from 08:15 to 08:45 in the dining hall. Lunch is from 12.30 to 13.30, and dinner from 18.00 to 19.00. There are vegetarian and vegan options for every meal. Tea and coffee will be available in the dining hall during the afternoon.

>> Activities at Johan Borups Højskole
Johan Borups Højskole has a range of activities for its students and we are encouraged to participate in a selected few. One such is “Café Sluk”, an open-mic night where students entertain each other with different performances. Please see your schedule with regards to time and place of these activities.

>> Our cleaning responsibilities
It is important that we keep both the dining hall, kitchen, other common facilities and our own classroom clean and tidy. Generally speaking, please return any borrowed cutlery, plates or cups and place them in the rack for used services in the dining hall. We will present a cleaning schedule with instructions once you arrive at the school.

>> Other important information
- The wifi password is Johan123456
- Smoking is prohibited indoors. Use the ashtrays placed in the yards and terraces.
- Bikes must be parked outside the entrance of Borups Højskole, not inside the yard.
- Alcohol is prohibited during the week except during special events and Friday nights.
- The school is open from 8.00 - 22.00 Monday to Friday.
The home of the Copenhagen Fellowship

Johan Borups Højskole

The Copenhagen Fellowship will take place at Johan Borups Højskole in the heart of Copenhagen. Johan Borups Højskole, or Borups for short, is a typical Danish folk high school where students age 18 and above spend four months studying everything from documentary filmmaking to songwriting. Though the students do not live at Borups, they can spend their whole day here, and are provided with breakfast, lunch and dinner. The students come from Denmark, Sweden and Norway, and the working language is all of the Scandinavian languages. However, the students and school will be conducting all common meetings in English during the Copenhagen Fellowship.

Being at Borups is an immense asset for the Fellowship, and a privilege for the Fellows. It means that the Fellowship, apart from being a true Humanity in Action experience, is also an experience of being part of a folk high school, which is a uniquely Scandinavian institution. In practice, this means that the Copenhagen Fellowship will take part in the school’s everyday morning gatherings, share meals together, and also share some common program components. We hope that all Fellows will see this as an opportunity to reach out beyond the Humanity in Action community.

Importantly, this location also means that the Fellows and Fellowship must respect the space that we are given. We expect all Fellows to turn up in time for morning gatherings, to participate actively in the common program components, and to make an effort to connect with other students. The Copenhagen Fellowship takes place during the students’ last month at Borups, and this means that they are finishing up projects and enjoying the last of their time together. We therefore expect all Fellows to respect this process by being helpful and gracious guests.

Being at a folk high school is a collective endeavor. Meals, cleaning and other chores are done by the students together. The Copenhagen Fellowship is therefore also a chance to engage in this kind of community by helping out at mealtimes, making sure our classroom is clean and neat, and generally respecting the space that we inhabit. In return, we get a beautiful room of our own, very delicious food both morning, midday and evening, many lovely common spaces (including a rooftop terrace), and a chance to make new friends across borders.
**Where to go**

**Site visits and excursions**

**Tuesday, May 30**

The Raoul Wallenberg Institute of Human Rights  
Lilla Gråbrödersgatan 3A  
222 22 Lund  
Sweden

**Directions**

From Lund Central Station, walk on Bangaten for a couple of minutes, take Knut Den Stores Torg on your left and continue straight ahead for a couple of minutes, until you find the The Raoul Wallenberg Institute on your right hand.
Thursday, June 1

Politikens Hus
Rådhuspladsen 37
1550 København K

Directions
Politikens Hus can be reached by foot. Go to Prinsens Bro, turn left on Ny Kongensgade, turn right when you reach Vester Voldgade. Continue and cross Rådhuspladsen. You will find Politikens Hus on your right.
Monday, June 5

meter - exhibition space
Henrik Rungs Gade 25
2200 København N

Directions
Go from Bourp Højskole to the National Museum and take bus 2A towards Tingbjerg Gavilhusvej and get off at Det Biovidenskablige Fakultet. When you get off the bus, walk down Bülowsvej for approximately 10 minutes. Cross Ågade and turn left onto Åboulevard. You will find Henrik Rungs gade on your right. It is also possible to get there by foot!
**Thursday, June 8**

Trampoline House  
Thoravej 7  
2400 København

**Directions**

Go to the City Hall Square and take bus 5C towards Husum Torv and get off at Glasvej (Frederikssundsvej). Bus departs frequently - approximately every 10 minutes. When you get off the bus, continue walking for a couple of minutes on Glasvej and you will find Thoravej on your left.
**Friday, June 9**

Street Voices  
Copenhagen Central Station, track 11-12

Directions  
Go to Copenhagen Central Station and find track 11-12. We will meet with our guide Christina from Street Voices **upstairs in the hall** so do not go down to the tracks.
Monday, June 12

Basta - Start Location
Inderhavnsbroen
Nyhavn

Directions
Located close to Johan Borups højskole, Inderhavnsbroen (the inner harbour bridge) is found by passing Slotsholmen, turn right at Slotholmsgade, and then walk for a approximately 5-10 minutes alongside the harbour.
Tuesday, June 13

The Greenlandic House (Det Grønlandske Hus), Copenhagen
Løvstræde 6
1152 København K

Directions
The Greenlandic house is only a 15 minutes walk from Johan Borups Højskole. Go up to Prinsens Bro and follow Frederiksholm Kanal. Make a turn to the right onto Nybrogade, turn left onto Klosterstræde and turn right when you reach Løvstræde.
Fellowship Reader

Texts for the Fellowship

The reading material of this year’s fellowship is divided into two groups: Required and additional readings. Please make sure to have read the required texts. We also suggest you read at least one other text for each topic carefully and quickly scan through some others. The nature of the readings vary from institutional reports to academic essays to newspaper articles. Under each reading you will see a short synopsis which will help you in deciding which readings will be most relevant for you.

Furthermore, we would like to stress that these texts do not represent Humanity In Action’s view on the issues, but offer a variety of voices on specific topics in our Fellowship as well as additional background information that will not be explicitly dealt with during the formal sessions. These texts will not be used directly in the Fellowship, but will constitute the background knowledge from which we will all be speaking.

>> Readings useful for the entire program

Required readings

- “Reflections on Humanity in Action” by Founder and Executive Director of Humanity in Action, Judith Goldstein. [http://www.humanityinaction.org/about/360-reflections-on-humanity-in-action](http://www.humanityinaction.org/about/360-reflections-on-humanity-in-action)

  The story of the beginning of Humanity in Action, and how it developed and diversified.


  Hugh Eakin gives an overall impression of present-day Denmark, discussing why this happy little Scandinavian country has become less and less inclusive.


  In this article, identity politics is defined, and the current debate over identity politics in US is contextualized both socially, politically and historically. This text is especially useful for students who are unfamiliar with identity politics and its reach.


  In this article, intersectionality is questioned and criticized. The author argues that intersectionality is a threat to liberal democracy, because operates like an orthodoxy which labels opposing views as both immoral and evil.
Additional readings


  If you are new, or unfamiliar, with the terminology and approaches of social sciences, this text may be a gentle introduction to some of the basic questions which arise in our different approaches to social sciences issues. All these are highly relevant to how we perceive race, ethnicity, culture etc. as central categories of the 2017 program.


  In this short video, Alicia Garza problematizes how racism is widely ignored though the processes that go into building nation states are often racist and violent. You can also watch the full talk on youtube here.

**Week 1 >> If this is a man**

**Persecution, flight and human rights**

Required readings

- “We Refugees” by Hannah Arendt, *Altogether Elsewhere: Writers on Exile,*

  In this essay, social theorists Hannah Arendt shares experiences from her life as a refugee and reflect critically on human rights. She discusses how human rights are not for every human being but for those who are citizens in a nation-state.

- “Can You Hear Me When I Call Your Name Mom?” by Amanuel Solomon and Benedikte Møllegaard, *The Refugees,* Chapter 3, Ungdomsbureauet
  (Copenhagen, 2017).

  In the book *The Refugees,* 22 young refugees in Denmark shares reflections on their experiences of war, flight and being in Denmark. Together with Benedikte Møllegaard, Amanuel Solomon takes the reader through his process of building a bridge – from a bus in Denmark to the war in Eritrea.

  https://issuu.com/visavismagazine/docs/visavis_no12_net

  This critical piece is published in *visAvis* magazine - a magazine made by people with and without citizenship. The map illustrates the location of all asylum centres in Denmark and the text discusses how human lives are hierarchized and disciplined through architecture.

This article discusses Denmark’s restrictive turn in its immigration policies, and explores how Denmark went from having a leading position in the promotion of international agreements and peace to prioritizing national interests.

Week 2 >> There is a lovely country
Inclusion in Danish society

Required readings


This is a picture posted by the Danish Minister of Immigration and Integration on her Facebook page. She is celebrating her 50th restrictive immigration policy with a cake. Follow the link on the post to see the 50 policies, which can be google translated.


This article explores the women’s movement’s long and difficult struggle, and women’s’ obtainment of rights in Denmark.


Prepared by Senior Fellows of Humanity in Action, this article takes a critical look at notions of belonging and identity from the perspective of ethnic minorities in Denmark. Rather than succumbing to the pressures of assimilation, the authors make interesting inroads into how minorities may form hybrid identities and cultures at a grassroots level.

Additional readings


This article discusses migration in Denmark and how it relates to tensions of national identity, multiculturalism, racism and difference, and grants insight into different public opinions on the matter.
• “We Could be Denmark” by Clara Hendrickson, Jacobin, January 2016.
  The author of this piece sets out to challenge the myth that social homogeneity is a prerequisite to the establishment of universal welfare.

  This report gives a brief overview of the rights of LGBTQ persons in Denmark and across Europe.

**Week 3 >> I had a farm in Africa**

**Denmark as a colonial power**

Required readings

• “Disappearing Act: The Forgotten History of Colonialism, Eugenics and Gendered Othering in Denmark” (Part II: Chapter 4) by Bolette Blaagaard and Rikke Andersen, Teaching “Race” with a Gendered Edge (Central European University Press, Budapest) 2012.
  http://atgender.eu/files/2012/06/Teaching%20Race_FULL.pdf
  The two authors of this chapter elucidate how contemporary Danish discourses of multiculturalism are shaped and influenced by a colonial past while raising thought-provoking questions on national identities and self-perceptions.

• “Comment: Racism in Denmark” by Eva Chan, Uniavisen, August 2011.
  https://uniavisen.dk/en/comment-racism-in-denmark/
  A frustrated American exchange student depicts her experiences of racial ridicule in Denmark.

• “From the Great Wide Open to Block P”, UNRIC, August 2016.
  This short article gives a tangible picture of how colonial Denmark forcibly implemented western ideals and structures in Greenland without consulting its population.

Additional readings

  https://tidsskrift.dk/index.php/KKF/article/download/44279/84060
  This academic article compares the racial histories of Europe and U.S.A, thereby attempting to explain why whiteness is approached so differently on the two continents.
Week 4 >> Where there is power, there is resistance
Future global challenges

Required readings


  Taking point of departure in the thoughts and ideas of Hannah Arendt, Greenberg suggests that the present-day political turmoil – with populism and right-wing movements on the rise – is reminiscent of the dynamics that undermined German democracy in the 1930’s.


  The article sheds light on some of the underlying sentiments that influenced the US election in 2016.
Helen Ali
University of Copenhagen

Helen Ali was born in Iraq, and raised in Denmark. Helen is currently working on her masters in Cross-cultural studies at Copenhagen university. She did her Bachelor degree in Arabic and Anthropology at Aarhus University. Helen has a huge interest in working with migration, asylum, multiculturalism, minorities, discrimination etc. In her spare time she does a lot of volunteer work at different organizations, notably at MS- ActionAid – together against racism, and Humans right in action. For Helen, human rights mean everything, and she always tries to work towards better understanding and togetherness between the majority and minority.

Jonathan Bror Otto
Roskilde University

Jonathan Bror Otto is currently finishing his bachelor in International Studies and Politics & Administration in Denmark. He has written papers mostly on intra-state conflicts and different approaches to mediation on a case-by-case basis. Besides studying Jonathan works as a student assistant in the Danish Foreign Ministry and is acting board member in the Danish youth organisation Silba. In Silba, Jonathan coordinates the organisation’s election missions most recently to Serbia and Armenia. Priorly, Jonathan was acting board member in the Danish foreign affairs think tank RIKO and the Copenhagen University student association Consilium. Jonathan will continue his studies in Brussels at University of Kent on the MA in International Conflict and Security.

Simon Bruun Bech
Aarhus Universitet

Simon Bruun Bech was raised in a small village, no. 2 of four siblings, in South-Western Denmark. Apart from engaging in Danish Refugee Council activities, Simon worked as a substitute teacher and pedagogue. Simon also lived with children in an orphanage in Kathmandu. During his time in Asia, Simon was inspired to think globally meeting journalists, artists, friends from different world regions. As a medical student at Aarhus University, Simon has studied global infectious diseases, taken an online course on global health, and been on internships in Vietnam and Chile including research on Chagas', a parasitic disease affecting millions. As this is written, 5th year Medical student Simon is in the regional board of Danish Refugee Council Youth (DFUNK) arranging activities promoting integration. Simon is engaged in starting a company selling juice while teaching first aid in public, as well as launching a project to promote "label-messaging"- partnerships between private companies and non-profit organizations.
Daniel Buchman
Middlebury College

Born and raised in an intensely Russian neighborhood of Brooklyn, NY, Daniel Buchman is a junior at Middlebury College studying Economics and Arabic. Daniel has spent the past year living and working at a home for at-risk boys in Amman while studying at the University of Jordan on a Boren Scholarship. He helped found and run a yearly seminar for Russian law students in NYC, mentored and instructed American students abroad in Spain, and researched the effect of Jordanian tribalism on Palestinian communities. As he learns the six official languages of the UN, Daniel hopes to gain insight into how we navigate intercultural divides and how conflict emerges from those divides. On campus, Daniel is a member of the Middlebury Debate Society, student government, and student-run theater collective. After graduation, he hopes to pursue a Master of Public Policy degree and career in public service in the U.S. Foreign Service.

Asta Christensen Otto
University of Copenhagen

Asta Christensen Otto is a student at the University of Copenhagen’s department of European ethnology. Her special interest is the influence of cultural heritage and collective memory on the process of creating national identity. At the university she engages in student politics with a particular focus on union work on campus and surviving budget cuts in the faculty of humanities. In the past she has worked with creative campaigning fighting for a living wage in the global south’s textile industry. The campaign was inspired by eye-opening travels in Myanmar and Egypt - both countries which she hopes to revisit in the future. In her spare time, she works on relaunching the online magazine for European ethnology. This project includes creating a podcast series identifying Danish terroir and discussing the consequences of selling Danish cultivated soil to foreign capital. In the summer-program she looks forward to discussing rising nationalism, integration issues and wine.

Giovanni Iaboni
University of Pennsylvania

Born and raised in New Haven, Connecticut, Giovanni Iaboni is a graduating senior at the University of Pennsylvania majoring in Political Science with a concentration in International Relations and minoring in Hispanic Studies. Prior to Penn, Giovanni worked with a refugee settlement organization in New Haven and took a gap year during which he learned about Gujurati migrant workers in Rajasthan. During his time at Penn, Giovanni has dedicated himself to research around the civil societies of emerging economies and topics of international development. He has also engaged substantially with the LGBTQ+ community on campus and in Philadelphia. He has also worked at a US Embassy abroad with the State Department and spent a semester working in public relations in Washington, D.C. Giovanni plans to eventually pursue graduate work in law or economics to work on issues of systemic discrimination.
Ismahan Ismail Hersi  
University of College London (UCL)

Ismahan Ismail Hersi studies Archaeology and Anthropology at University College London (UCL). She is an alumna of UWC Atlantic College, part of a movement of international schools dedicated to creating a more peaceful and sustainable future through education. Following her graduation she received a Shelby Davis Scholarship, which enabled her to join Global Citizen Year, a non-profit forging new educational pathways for emerging leaders. As a Global Citizen Year Fellow she lived in Pune, India working in classrooms and addressing educational inequity with Teach for India. Ismahan is engaged in political debates on marginalisation and integration in Denmark, having been featured on Dagbladet Information, Radio24syv, and a campaign with the Danish Institute of Human Rights. After the 2017 Copenhagen Fellowship, she will participate in archaeological fieldwork concerning pre-colonial African state formation in Uganda.

Priyanka Kalra  
Aarhus University

Born and brought up in New Delhi, India, Priyanka Kalra has studied Political Science in her Bachelor's, and has completed two post-graduates, one in Journalism and the other in International Law and Diplomacy. She is currently pursuing a joint Masters in Media, Journalism and Globalisation from Aarhus University and University of Amsterdam. Priyanka has also spent a summer at LSE, studying Global Civil Society. She has worked as a journalist reporting on foreign affairs and politics for two national English magazines in India and continues to work as a freelance journalist. She also acts as the Society Editor for Jutland Station, an online magazine based in Denmark. She is an active volunteer, teaching underprivileged students and helping out at various NGOs. After completing her Masters, Priyanka plans to work as an international human rights reporter or pursue a Ph.D in migration politics.

Dimitra Karapanagiotou  
Aristotle University Of Thessaloniki

Born and raised in Greece, Dimitra Karapanagiotou graduated from Aristotle University Of Thessaloniki, where she studied English Language and Literature, with a focus on British Literature and Culture. Dimitra teaches English as a foreign language to children and has volunteered in the past at a summer camp for children, that promotes equality and acceptance through creativity. Active in her community, Dimitra takes part in self-organized initiatives, focusing on women's and LGBT's rights. In her spare time, she enjoys reading women writers' literature, psychology and history. Dimitra is interested in continuing her education and pursuing a second degree.
Semi Kilic
Roskilde University

Semi Kilic was born and raised in the suburbs of Copenhagen, the capital city of Denmark, and still lives there. He studies 'International Bachelor degree in Social Sciences' with the subjects: 'International Studies' and 'Cultural Encounters'. He is the son of immigrants, so he has always been interacting within two cultures which have contributed to his international-oriented views, as well as been interested in cultural encounters and hybrid culturalism. Beside his studies, Semi is an anti-discrimination activist and is working in a lot of different fields. His main focus is therefore also intersectional social justice. In his spare time, Semi contributes to and also organized different cultural events in Copenhagen. His aim for the future is to study international, social development and also working within the field.

Dianne Lake
Yale University

Originally from Freetown, Sierra Leone, Dianne Lake is a recent graduate of Yale College who double majored in Political Science and Women’s, Gender, and Sexuality Studies. At Yale, she completed her thesis on the transformative effects of women’s political participation in post-conflict Liberia, Rwanda, and Sierra Leone, and the development paradoxes that hinder gender equality on the African continent. On campus, Dianne was heavily involved in the Yale Undergraduate Association for African Peace and Development and was also an assistant to the Gruber Program for Women’s Rights and Global Justice at Yale Law School. In her spare time, she is the director and lead vocalist of an R&B, Hip-Hop, and Jazz fusion band and also crafts textiles and mixed media visual art. Dianne is currently the curator of Yale’s Contemporary African Arts and Culture Festival. She will begin pursuing her J.D. at Yale Law School this fall.

Christopher “Chris” Macias Escalona
Roskilde University

Christopher Macias Escalona is what some would call a 'hybrid' entity of nationality, by being both part Danish and Mexican. He has a background in social psychology and anthropology and has been on exchange in Istanbul, studying political science and gender studies. At the moment he is pursuing a masters in social entrepreneurship and management, seeking to explore the possibilities for social innovation within and through cross-sectorial partnerships. He is also, however, a Boardmember of an organisation called FRONT, which seeks to change discriminatory structures within Danish higher educational institutions, by upholding universities to implement the UN guiding principles on business and human rights, since these have been dictated by law. Whenever he is not working, he enjoys time with either producing music, or reading, at the moment, Sartre, and of course he enjoys breathing, wind, nature and food as everyone else does as well.
Elizabeth “Libby” McAvoy  
Tufts University  
A recent graduate of Tufts University, Libby McAvoy has studied the intersection of photography, human rights advocacy, and mass atrocity. As a Summer Scholar and research assistant to Professor Amahl Bishara, Libby wrote for CSSAAME Borderlines online journal and researched social documentary imagery. She also developed a deep interest in refugee and migration studies while working with RefugeePoint as a communications intern. Her studies, extra-curricular work, and commitment to compassionate action culminated in a thesis on photographic portraiture of human suffering for which she earned Highest Honors. Libby graduated magna cum laude in 2015 as a double major in French and International Relations and was awarded the Ivan Galantic Special Achievement in Humanities Prize. Since then, Libby has been working as an immigration paralegal and volunteering as an ESL conversation class leader at the Boston Public Library. She plans to attend Columbia Law School beginning in the fall of 2017.

Anna Linh Müller  
Freie Universität Berlin  
Linh Müller, originally from Hannover, Germany, is an undergraduate student of North American Studies at the Freie Universität Berlin. In her studies, she focuses on the fields of culture, sociology and politics. Her main area of interest is the influence of the concepts race and ethnicity on identity formation. She hopes to further her knowledge at Middlebury College, Vermont, where she will spend the next year studying. Linh is currently an intern at the U.S. Embassy Berlin. Linh studied abroad in the United States for one year during high school and became involved in the Diversity Council and several other clubs. After graduation, she participated in a year-long voluntary service in Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam, working for the Goethe Institute. Linh regularly volunteers for her exchange organization and is a student mentor at her university. In her free time, she likes to read, cook and watch ice hockey.

Tuan “Ted” Nguyen  
Soka University of America  
Born and raised in Hanoi, Vietnam, Tuan Nguyen is currently pursuing a Bachelor’s degree in Humanities at Soka University of America. After completing a semester abroad in Buenos Aires, Argentina, Tuan took a sabbatical year and spent the following months in Venezuela. Tuan is currently working on his thesis on Desire both in theory of Romanticism and in practice as a socio-political function. After college, he plans to pursue higher degrees in philosophy of language and culture theory.
Catherine O’Neill
University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

Born and raised in Atlanta, Georgia, Catherine O’Neill just graduated from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill with a double major in English and journalism. During her four years at UNC, Catherine has worked for a number of non-profit and legal organizations such as the North Carolina Office of Indigent Defense Services and the Georgia Innocence Project, an organization devoted to exonerating wrongfully convicted prisoners in Georgia and Alabama via DNA evidence. She also spent a semester abroad in London, where she worked for human rights non-profit Rene Cassin. Catherine is an avid writer and storyteller, and she believes in using this passion to provide a platform for the stories of marginalized communities. Ultimately, Catherine plans to attend law school and to become a public defender devoted to addressing racial injustice in the American South.

Faith Oloruntoba
Aarhus University, Denmark

Faith Oloruntoba is a passionate energetic lady currently studying Journalism, Media and Globalisation at Aarhus University, Denmark. Born and raised in Nigeria, her work experience reveals versatility and covers different areas of human development. She has worked as a journalist and a media researcher in the area of women and child rights, rural health and youth empowerment. She is a laureate of Bloomberg Media Initiative Africa, the Pulitzer Centre Nigeria and the UNICEF sponsored Network on Behavioral Research for Child Survival in Nigeria. She is also an active member of the Association for Women’s Rights in Development (AWID). Currently, she is a managing editor of Cafe Babel Aarhus, a pan-European online magazine and she contributes to Jutland Station, an Aarhus-based online news website. Since she is interested in academic research, after her Masters, Faith hopes to pursue a Ph.D in migration and development focusing on the media’s role and usage.

Anesa Opijač
International Burch University

Anesa Opijač was born in Sarajevo in 1995. She is an undergraduate student at the International Burch University, majoring in English Language and Literature. She is a member of executive committee of the Student Parliament at the university. She has been actively involved and worked with several different NGOs in the past. Currently, she is an active member of AIESEC. Providing quality education, reducing inequalities and youth leadership are extremely important to her, and she is determined to make a positive impact on her local community. During the summer of 2015 and 2016 she worked on two projects abroad – first she taught English to socially vulnerable children in Turkey, and then she volunteered in a refugee shelter in Austria. Anesa is a passionate advocate of gender equality, female empowerment, and she is extremely opposed to racial and ethnic profiling.
Eleni Oureilidou
Aristotle University of Thessaloniki

Eleni Oureilidou is an Architect and Landscape Architect and was born and raised in Alexandroupolis. She has been awarded by «GreekArchitects.gr» for her diploma project in Architecture, A.U.Th. She has participated in exhibitions and conferences in Greece, Cyprus, Germany, Scandinavia, Russia, Italy, U.S.A. and Africa. She has worked for recognized offices in Greece, Hungary and London. She has been a teaching and research assistant at the master course “The design process through a play of un-doing. River Evros Delta”, Prof. Vana Tentokali, School of Architecture, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki. As a member of “Kipos3 - City as a resource”, which was sponsored by Angelopoulos Clinton GIU Fellowships 2014, she worked with the Municipality of Thessaloniki towards a more collective use of public open spaces. Currently, she plans to pursue a Ph.D in digital cultural and its impact on social reactivation of urban open spaces.

Antonela “Toni” Ramljak
University of Sarajevo

Antonela Ramljak is a recent graduate in International Relations and Diplomacy of the Faculty of Political Science at the University of Sarajevo. Her biggest passion is fighting oppression, and she proudly calls herself a social justice activist and a feminist. Antonela had worked for various local and international non-governmental organisations and networks that deal with the topics of human rights and democracy. She organised many events regarding social inclusion, feminism, democracy and youth involvement in politics. Her academic interests are gender dimension of violence, conflict, and terrorism, and currently, Antonela is doing research on the topic of women terrorists. Her most recent obsessions are books on psychoanalysis, and things that smell like pistachios.

Jared Russell
Colorado College

Jared Russell is a rising senior at Colorado College hailing from Pueblo, Colorado. He is a double major in Political Science and Philosophy, and is also pursuing a minor in Music. Jared is passionate about immigration, having helped 17 individuals obtain legal status within the United States this past summer. He has also worked on legislation that seeks to improve the rights given to immigrant workers within his state. Upon completing the Humanity in Action Fellowship, Jared will go to the Colorado Department of Health Care Policy and Financing. While there, he will conduct research on how the Medicare and Medicaid programs can be better tailored to the needs of marginalized communities. Next fall, he will be studying abroad at Oxford, attempting to understand the complexities of the European Union. After CC, Jared plans to pursue a J.D. in conjunction with an M.P.P., specializing in immigration reform and forced migration.
Gerlinde Theunissen  
University Konstanz

Raised in North Germany, Gerlinde Theunissen studies at the University Konstanz Political Science and Public Administration and spent the last two semesters abroad at the University Leiden. Besides her studies, she works as a campaigning assistant at the European wide campaigning organisation WeMove.EU and organises and sets up a foodsharing network in Leiden. She plans to write her thesis on human trafficking and migration in Europe and would like to research and study further in the fields of Good Governance, transnational organized crime, nationalism and gender equality. Before doing a master though, she plans to work for a gap year in South America or Eastern Europe. In her free time, she reads and writes, learns languages, volunteers in a charity shop and goes outside for a swim, a run or to cycle.

Marijn Vermeulen  
Roskilde University

Marijn Vermeulen is 25 years old, from a small town in the southern Netherlands, but raised in a pancake restaurant in South West Jutland. The past eight months, she has been working on a development project in Myanmar, focusing on volunteerism and youth engagement. She recently returned to Nørrebro In Copenhagen. She has a BA in Journalism and International Studies from Roskilde University. While studying, she wrote for Danish Women’s Society’s magazine (Kort om Køn), attended Opinion Makers against Discrimination, ActionAid DK, and volunteered as a trainer for ActionAid DK. Marijn is committed to promoting Human Rights in development initiatives and hopes to gain greater knowledge on how history influences international relations today through Humanity in Action’s summer fellowship.

Emma Yip  
University of California, Berkeley

Emma Yip graduated from UC Berkeley’s College of Natural Resources this past December with a degree she lovingly refers to as “tree hugging and people hugging.” She wrote her thesis on the methods utilized by chocolate companies to manufacture consent for their continued oppression of Indonesian cacao growers. She was very involved in Standing Rock work and looks forward to continuing pipeline resistance in Louisiana against the Bayou Bridge once the HIA program concludes. She currently works obscene hours in an overpriced Izakaya-styled Japanese restaurant in Napa, saving up for her upcoming adventures and hopefully a new pair of shoes. She'll eventually go to graduate school, but is really enjoying reading fiction again right now.
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