### **2018** HUMANITY IN ACTION COPENHAGEN FELLOWSHIP



**TOWARDS AN INCLUSIVE SOCIETY:** A POLITICAL PERSPECTIVE

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### Welcome letter

### Foundations and new challenges

Since our founding in 1997, Humanity in Action has worked to instill the values of human dignity and moral responsibility for the protection of the rights of minorities in a new generation of social, cultural and political leaders. Inspired by the rescue of the Danish Jews in 1943, Humanity in Action Denmark and the Copenhagen Fellowship represent the very foundation of this work. Since the initial and founding Copenhagen program in 1997, we have educated, inspired and connected more than 1700 young people worldwide.

The Copenhagen Fellowship proudly works to continue this tradition. Yet, over the past 21 years, we have also sought to expand upon our foundations. As new challenges face our democratic societies, so the program develops and redefines itself. Today, the Copenhagen Fellowship explores not only the roots of its own history, but also contemporary human rights and minority issues that challenge the egalitarian and liberal identity of Danish society. Pedagogically, the Copenhagen Fellowship strives to be a testing ground for new thinking driven by the Fellow dialogue, discussions and disagreements. Through a highly interdisciplinary program, the Fellowship seeks to engage its Fellows in current democratic challenges and inspire them to action – now and in the future.

We would like to express gratitude to our partners Johan Borups Højskole, Demokratiscenen, We Do Democracy, Democracy Festivals Community, Civiltinget, and Rystensteen Gymnasium. We would also like to sincerely thank our host families, who open their homes to all our international Fellows.

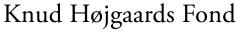
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At a time of great tension in local, national and international realms, we are proud to welcome our new 2018 cohort and to support the voices of democratic resistance who are working to advance social cohesion in this country and so many others.

Emilie Bang-fensen

Emilie Bang-Jensen National Director Humanity in Action Denmark

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Fellow bluebook

### DANISH PROGRAM FELLOWS



### Ane Pind Bagge

Kaospilot

Born in Aarhus, Denmark, Ane is about to receive a degree in enterprising leadership and entrepreneurship from the Kaospilot education. She is experienced within the fields of project management, process facilitation, business development and leadership. She has executed projects and organizational development workshops with social organizations and activists in South Africa, Portugal, Switzerland, and Denmark. Being an active member of a political party, Ane has organized election campaigns, locally and nationally, and was a candidate for the municipal elections of 2013 and 2017 in Aarhus. She strives to work for social equality and finding solutions on how to build sustainable communities, which accommodate the diversity of all citizens. Ane hosts an online networking space for organizations, activists and individuals, who work with different approaches to nonviolent conflict resolution and civil resistance. In her spare time, she enjoys art, social gatherings, and urban exploration.



### Nancy Deere-Turney

Oklahoma State University

Born in Bemidji, MN and raised in Okemah, OK Nancy is a senior at Oklahoma State University majoring in Political Science. She also has an AAS in Pre-Education and an AAS in Tribal Services. She has interned with The Department of Energy Indian Energy Policy and Programs, The Senate Committee on Indian Affairs, and Senator Schatz's office in Washington, D.C. Nancy is a citizen of the Muscogee (Creek) Nation, and of Ojibwe descent. Nancy stays active in her tribe, community, and organizations nationwide that promote positive environments for Native Youth. She created an enrichment camp for her community that focused on culturally enriching individuals as well as using culture to combat social issues. Nancy enjoys spending time with family and friends, sewing, cooking, and participating in cultural activities. She plans to pursue a Masters in International Relations in order to promote positive relationships for her tribe, community, state, and country.



### Agathe "Aggie" Svarre Engell

Yale-NUS College

Brought up in Denmark, Agathe Engell is now pursuing her undergraduate studies at Yale-NUS College in Singapore. A rising sophomore, she intends to major in Economics, while taking advantage of her liberal arts education to also pursue her interests in politics. During her time in Denmark, Agathe was active in youth politics and amongst other things led a development project in Zimbabwe that aimed at creating dialogue across political divides. At Yale-NUS, she is engaged in social-emotional leadership training to help foster personal growth for participants and a richer culture on campus. She also serves as president of the school's European Society and is currently leading the society's efforts to become the first Asian chapter of the Transatlantic think-tank, European Horizons.





### **Nour Haikal**

University of Houston

Though born and raised in Houston, Texas, Nour Haikal is a Syrian native, and returned there every summer prior to the 2011 Syrian War. Nour is a rising junior at The University of Houston Honors College where she's majoring in Middle Eastern Studies, and minoring in Phronesis (Politics, Ethics, and Law). Nour's extensive work with the refugee community in Houston has led her to help co-found and co-lead Project T.R.E.E. (Teaching Refugees Effective English). Project T.R.E.E. is a partnership between Interfaith ministries, a local refugee resettlement agency, and The Honors College to help better assist the incoming adult refugee community in Houston with one-on-one ESL tutoring. The project aims to help refugees become self-sufficient by providing them with the English proficiency to navigate through daily tasks. Upon graduating, Nour plans to pursue post-graduate fellowships, and law school shortly afterwards.



### Ismahan Ismail Hersi

University College London (UCL)

Born in Denmark and of Somali-Kenyan descent, Ismahan is a student at University College London (UCL) studying archaeology and anthropology. She was educated at UWC Atlantic College in Wales, and following her graduation she received a Davis Scholarship to perform voluntary work in India. She has been published in Dagbladet Information, writing on issues relating to right-wing rhetoric and antiradicalisation. She is currently a Board Member of Danish Students Abroad (DSA). Her academic interests include post-conflict heritage and archaeology in East Africa, as well as the study of migration and diaspora. After the Fellowship, Ismahan plans to conduct ethnographic fieldwork on Somali refugee communities in Kenya.



### **Yasmin Hoffmann**

University of Applied Sciences Neu-Ulm

Born and raised in Neu-Ulm, Yasmin Hoffmann is a fourth-year student at the University of Applied Sciences Neu-Ulm, finishing her Bachelor's degree in Business Studies in Healthcare Management. She recently attended a field trip to Tanzania, where she implemented interdisciplinary, practical projects at a regional hospital in Kibaha. As board member of the Lions Club Campus Neu-Ulm, a student-run group at her University, Yasmin seeks to improve social life at the University and its local environment. She organizes a weekly reading at the children's hospital, deals with political issues at the Junge Union, and helps new students as a Study Ambassador. In her spare time, she contributes to projects and seminars of miscellaneous topics as a fellow of the Konrad-Adenauer-Stiftung. After finishing her Bachelor's degree at the University of Applied Sciences Neu-Ulm, Yasmin plans to pursue a M.Sc. in Business Administration focusing on Finance and Accounting.



### Frederikke Høgsgaard

Roskilde University

In 2014, Frederikke moved to Copenhagen from Aarhus to begin her studies at Roskilde University in International Studies. At the same time, she moved into the lives of her four flatmates from around the world. During the last few years she has come to be very active in student politics - internationally, nationally and at her university. At the moment, she uses most of her time at a partnership project with the student organisation ZINASU in Zimbabwe. Throughout the project, she has had the chance to arrange two seminars with ZINASU in South Africa and thereby got to know them as people and as student activists. Throughout her studies, Frederikke has done fieldwork at Lesbos during the 'refugee crisis' and at ActionAids Global Platform in Zambia. She is very fascinated by social movements as a way of creating 'development'. When she has time, she paints, sings, winter baths, and reads.

### Melpomeni "Melini" Kalogeraki

National and Kapodistrian University of Athens

Coming from the island of Crete, Melpomeni (Melini) Kalogeraki is a 22 year old law student in Athens, Greece. Having volunteered for six weeks in Tampere, Finland towards cultural understanding between asylum seekers and the local population, worked for a month in Wall Street, New York, was a representative of a youth organisation's department in Greece and devoted a year organizing international volunteering leadership exchanges in Athens as a director and vice president of that organisation, Melini can see the world changing through the "good habits" that the international exchange participants gain from one another's culture when bringing them back to their country while discovering their own values and act upon them. Constantly in search of unexplored, challenging environments, Melini is now working on a project aiming to help high school students make better academic choices and has her eyes wide open for every opportunity for selfdevelopment, especially for internships.



### **Frederik Kirk**

### Danmarks Tekniske Universitet

Engineer, Trainer, Facilitator, Frederik works to make the world a slightly better place through education of youth in leadership, cooperation, and responsibility. Graduated Msc in Biomedical Engineering from DTU, Frederik is currently working to better enable doctors and nurses to work on their core competences, by automating workflows in diagnostic departments. Frederik has been running the international work from 4H Denmark the past 2 years, resulting in several successful project within the topics of Human Rights, Migration, Sustainability and Social Entrepreneurship. As a facilitator, Frederik has been conducting trainings for youth leaders within the topics of Non-Violent Communication, No Hate Speech, Leadership, and personal development.





### Aida Knežević

University of Sarajevo

Aida Knežević is a final year student of translation and interpretation at the University of Sarajevo. She was born near Brčko, grew up in Tuzla, but calls Sarajevo home for now. As a high school student she spent one year on exchange in the US with the YES program, and as a Masters student spent a semester in Split through Erasmus. In 2015, she started actively participating in LGBT and feminist movements in BiH by creating pieces of clothing with political statements. By day she is a translator and ESL teacher; by night, she is one half of the audiovisual project Sestre, which tackles nationalism, militarism, homophobia, misogyny, and neoliberalism in BiH society.



### Magali Lapu

### University of Georgia

Magali is a rising senior at the University of Georgia, majoring in International Affairs and French with a Public Policy minor. She was born in Brussels, Belgium to Congolese parents and raised in Atlanta, Georgia, which pushed her to be an advocate for cross-cultural collaboration and understanding. She has studied abroad in Montpellier, France and worked in her local committee of AIESEC, a student-run nonprofit that sends youth abroad for sustainable development projects and cultural exchange. Magali's passion for social justice, policy advocacy, and law have led her to work with the UGA Chapter of the NAACP, the Economic Justice Coalition of Athens, and the Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights Under Law in Washington, D.C. She plans on pursuing graduate studies and policy work domestically or internationally. Magali enjoys learning about the diverse cultures represented around the globe and looks forward to more travel and language learning after graduation.



### **Jacob Lang Laursen**

### Aarhus University

Jacob was born and raised in Aalborg, but moved to Aarhus to first do a BA in Anthropology, where he spent a semester abroad in Nicaragua, and then a Master's degree in International Studies, specializing in human rights, development and civil society organizations and their resource mobilization. During his studies, he has been engaged in activist work both as a volunteer with Amnesty International and Aarhus for Mangfoldighed and as an intern in the Danish solidarity organization Afrika Kontakt. The driving force behind this engagement and his chosen career path has been a passion for human rights and dignity as well as a vision of a world in which everyone enjoys these equally. After his studies, he therefore plans to pursue a career within this field.



### **Kendell Miller-Roberts**

Southern Methodist University

Kendell grew up in Dallas, Texas and graduated from Southern Methodist University with a B.F.A. in Dance Performance, a B.A. in Human Rights, and a minor in Women's and Gender Studies in May 2018. During spring of her junior year, she studied abroad in the Netherlands and Morocco with SIT on a program focusing on gender and sexuality. While at SMU, she was actively involved with the Women and LGBT Center on campus serving as an LGBT+Allies panelist, and during her sophomore year, the vice president of the Feminist Equality Movement. She also served as communications chair for the Human Rights Student Leadership Initiative (SLI) Board. She has worked to combine her passions for human rights and art through her capstone choreography project exploring gun violence through dance, as well as reflecting on the continuous racial tension and injustice through Nina Simone's "Mississippi Goddam" for SMU's Brown Bag Dance Series.



### **Kristina Møller**

Metropol Profesionshøjskole

Kristina Møller has an academic background in international development and social work. Having grown up in East Africa, Kristina is passionate about challenging structural issues that compound inequality and poverty. As part of her current social work degree, Kristina spent six months in Jordan, working with a psychosocial support program for Syrian refugees. Kristina intends to pursue a career in refugee policy after she graduates in 2019.



### **Crystal Napoli**

University of New Hampshire

From Salem, New Hampshire, Crystal Napoli will graduate with honors from the University of New Hampshire with dual majors in history and justice studies and a Chinese minor in 2018. Crystal studied abroad in Changchun, China on a Critical Language Scholarship in summer 2016, using her language skills to study education initiatives in indigenous Taiwan on an undergraduate research fellowship in summer 2017. Crystal studied at the College for Social Innovation in Boston in fall 2017, interning at the college access nonprofit Let's Get Ready and taking classes on social change and human-centered design. An avid Model UN geek, Crystal is passionate about strengthening global systems to support local goals. She hopes to focus her career and graduate studies on serving those who have inherited historical injustice: children. She is passionate about children's rights, human trafficking, and educational justice.

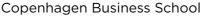


### Brandur "Bran" Mortensen Nolsøe

Lund University

Brandur Mortensen Nolsøe was born and raised in the small and remote Faroe Islands – an autonomous country within the Kingdom of Denmark. He has attained a Bachelor's degree in Social Science at the University of Kent, where he cofounded a student-run Amnesty International society on campus. He returned to the Faroes to undergo an internship in the Prime Minister's office, during which he helped organise a public hearing on human rights together with The Danish Institute for Human Rights. As a Sociology student at Lund University in Sweden, Brandur has also spent a semester abroad at Humboldt University of Berlin, participating in the GeT MA for Refugees Initiative as an Erasmus student. Having worked with children with mental impairments, and done research on everyday interaction within ethnic communities, Brandur is particularly interested in impression management and the effects of cultural institutions on social behaviour in relation to ethnicity.

### Mujgahn Rahimi



Mujgahn Rahimi is a student at Copenhagen Business School (CBS), where she has completed her undergraduate degree in Business Administration and Sociology and is to pursue a graduate degree in International Business and Politics. Mujgahn has a broad variety of interests ranging from research in organizational and economic sociology to volunteer work. And as a Dane with Afghan ethnicity she is likewise passionate about societal issues with a special focus on racism and gender, ethnic and religious discrimination. In her spare time, Mujgahn enjoys practising kickboxing, learning Arabic, working as a student guidance counsellor at her university, being a member of the student organization, International Debate BS, and volunteering to help children with homework and personal issues. Mujgahn is always up for a challenge and/or a nap, you will always find her with her head buried in a book and she has a specialty in Danish sarcasm.



### **Verena Riedmiller**

### Maastricht University

Growing up in Munich, and having graduated from European Studies at Maastricht University at the age of 20, Verena Riedmiller co-founded the euro political project CUBE. Your Take on Europe. Through the project she puts her vision for an inclusive youth participation in the EU into action. Through a community-based educational approach young people are empowered to make their voices being heard at the political decision making tables. Furthermore, she works as a trainer on the topics of participation and European democracy. Next to her political involvement in campaigns and networks, she indulges herself in environmental sustainability strategies through her blog and workshops in the field. The next goal within her work is campaigning for young ideas at the 2019 European elections.



### **Fiona Ross**

University of Copenhagen

Fiona began her career in the military, training as an officer cadet in the RAF, before gaining a First in Literature & Politics at Glasgow University. She has a background in youth politics and activism, having led the External Affairs Committee in the Scottish Youth Parliament from 2015-2017, and having been a UK Youth Ambassador. She is now living in Denmark, where she is completing a Masters in Migration Studies. She currently works for the student-led organization Consilium, which seeks to bring peace and conflict studies to a wider audience and work across disciplines, and is completing a fellowship with the United Network of Young Peacebuilders. She dreams of combining her passion for youth activism and her deep love of sailing, and is applying for funding to create her own moving exhibition and training space on board a barge.



### Vasileios "Vasilis" Sassanis

Mississippi State University

Vasilis comes from Athens, Greece. He holds a Master's degree in mechanical engineering and aeronautics from the University of Patras, Greece, and a Ph.D. in aerospace engineering from Mississippi State University (MSU), U.S. He is co-founder of the climate change working group and contributor to the interdisciplinary working group on societal injustice, both at MSU. During his undergrad and research years he developed a special interest regarding human and civil rights. He decided to join Humanity in Action, aiming to find ways to bring together people from different disciplines and with different views in the battle against inequality.



### **Raphael Schoeberlein**

Sarah Lawrence College

Raphael Schoeberlein is a rising junior at Sarah Lawrence College in Bronxville, NY, where he studies history and political science. He is additionally a cadet in the Air Force Reserve Officer Training Corps (AF-ROTC) program at Manhattan College. Born in Colorado, he attended four high schools on three continents because of his parents' employment requirements. Raphael is interested in creating open dialogue to combat groupthink and promoting free exchange of ideas to allow mutual education. On campus, he envisioned and then launched a student club dedicated to hosting discussions offering participants non-attribution protection to combat groupthink. In his free time, Raphael enjoys camping, rafting, travel, reading, and working in the theatre, including as a stage combat choreographer.



### **Terrie Soule**

Pace University

Terrie was born and raised in Austin, Texas but now resides in New York City. She is a rising senior at Pace University, majoring in Peace and Justice Studies with minors in Women and Gender Studies and Psychology. Terrie is a founding member of the Pace Peace and Justice Club, a student led organization in which she designed a successful campaign that required her university to provide free menstrual products to students in all bathrooms on campus. Terrie also worked with World Council of Churches, a partner of the International Campaign to Abolish Nuclear Weapons (ICAN), which won the Nobel Peace Prize last year. After graduation Terrie is considering joining the Peace Corps before pursuing her masters in Peace and Conflict Studies.



### Davor "Dado" Strika

University of Banja Luka

Davor was born on October 7th in Croatia. He went to live in Banja Luka and Bosnia and Herzegovina in 1991. He finished his Faculty of Political Science in Banja Luka in 2012. He finished his Masters studies on Faculty of Political Science in Belgrade in 2014. He is currently finishing his second Masters on Faculty of Political Science in International Relations in Banja Luka. He is the President of Council of Youth Organizations in Banja Luka. In his work, He was engaged in the Center for International and Security Studies, and in Banja Luka's Center for Human Rights. His every day field/working interest is based on problems of young people in his country and city, and with problems of human rights in Bosnia and Herzegovina. His academic field of interest is in international affairs and political violence.



### Daria Sullivan

### University of Pittsburgh

Daria M. Sullivan is a recent graduate from the University of Pittsburgh with a degree in Theatre Arts and Communication and a NJ/NYC based theatre artist. She was born and raised in the liberal artsy town of Montclair, NJ, where she decided to reside after graduating in April of 2017. While at Pitt, Daria received the Vira I. Heinz Women in Global Leadership scholarship and traveled to Ghana, West Africa for her study abroad experience. This was actually her first time outside of the country and how she discovered her love for traveling. Throughout Daria's undergraduate career, she performed in six diverse shows with her final two having a strong focus on social justice. These productions helped Daria realize that she wants to combine her passions for art and social justice to create social change. Daria is hopeful that Humanity in Action will give her tools, ideas, and inspiration to do this.



### **Sarah Verdin**

Sciences Po Grenoble

Sarah is a recent graduate student from Sciences Po, where she studied International Non-Profit Management. During her studies, she volunteered in and led different social projects. For instance, she collaborated with other students to create an association aimed at fostering social inclusion of children from the Roma Community. She is now coordinating volunteers in an emergency relief center in Berlin. Sarah is interested in ways to achieve social inclusion and cohesion and seeks to find or support local ways fighting all forms of discrimination in society. Sarah was born and raised in France and she is now based in Berlin – she has also lived in Ghana during her studies and over the years, she has developed a passion for traveling. In her travels, she also always seeks to learn about and visit local initiatives working on social issues.

### **DANISH PROGRAM STAFF**



### Emilie Bang-Jensen

National Director, Humanity in Action Denmark

Emilie Bang-Jensen has a BA in English and History from the University of Copenhagen and an MSc in International History from 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 at Humanity in Action Denmark and is now National Director, coordinating educational programs and the annual Copenhagen Fellowship. She is interested in the intersections of culture, art and activism, histories of class and colonial oppression, and is up for a good discussion and dialogue on any day.



### Katja Lund Thomsen

**Program Coordinator** 

Katja Lund Thomsen is the Program Coordinator in Humanity in Action Denmark where she started as an intern in the Spring 2017. She has a BA in Peace and Conflict Studies from Malmö University and she is currently studying a MSc in Development studies at Lund University. Meanwhile studying, Katja has worked with mobilization of volunteers, campaign development and research in a number of organizations who work to improve the rights of migrants and refugees in Denmark. Katja also worked with the mobilization of volunteers in HopeNow, an organization assisting trafficked people.



### Ina Nyrup Clausen

Program Intern

Interning at Humanity in Action Denmark, Ina Nyrup Clausen helped organize the 2018 Copenhagen Fellowship. She is nearly done with her undergraduate majoring in Comparative Literature from the University of Copenhagen. Her interests, however, go beyond the world of literature, and she plans to continue her education later on in a different, more organizational direction. She has previously been involved in activities at her institute such as the institute magazine, where she spent a semester as Executive Editor, among other things. She also spent a semester abroad at the University of California, Santa Barbara. Before going to university, she focused a lot of her energy on a Danish political youth party.



### Jonas Bredal Juul

**Program Intern** 

Jonas is studying a BA in European Business at Copenhagen Business School (CBS). He has been the President of a student association for the past year where he has been involved in getting speakers such as EU Commissioner Margrethe Vestager and former UN President Mogens Lykketoft to debate democracy and the SDGs at his university. In the fall of 2017 he was also part of the team that organized a study trip for 2.5 weeks to South Africa where they met with NGOs, companies, political parties, etc. In addition to his studies, he also assists the British

Chamber of Commerce in Denmark and he is a personal assistant to disabled kids at a Danish efterskole (boarding school).



### **Virginia Spinks**

**Program Intern** 

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Virginia Spinks is a recent graduate from Emory University where she doublemajored in Dance and a joint major of Religion and Anthropology. She has also earned an unofficial minor in Arabic language and spent time abroad at Al-Akhawayn University in Ifrane, Morocco. During her time at Emory she was heavily involved in the dance community and in Campus Life, working to foster dialogue around problems of diversity and inclusion. She completed her honors thesis in Anthropology and Religion entitled, "The Silence of Narrative Echo Chambers: An Analysis of College Students' Perceptions of the Connection between Islam and Terrorism." She was named one of Atlanta's Top 20 Under 20 in 2013 for her work with the homeless community. After the fellowship, she plans to return to Atlanta to work as a professional dancer, while pursuing human rights work with local non-profits, focussing on integration and immigration. >> 2018 Copenhagen Fellowship

Theme and topics

### Towards an Inclusive Society: A Political Perspective

The Humanity in Action Copenhagen Fellowship aims to explore human rights and minority issues in Denmark. Since its inception, the foundation of the Copenhagen Fellowship has been the study of the rescue of the Danish Jews during WWII in October 1943, where the majority of Denmark's Jewish population, aided by large numbers of Danish civilians, was rowed to safety in neutral Sweden. Yet what is the status of minorities in Denmark today? Would the white Danish majority stand up for the current minority populations as in 1943?

With this question in mind, the Copenhagen Fellowship delves into the paradoxes of Danish society, the inclusion and exclusion mechanisms of the welfare state, the history of racial homogeneity and its impact on current debates regarding ethnic minorities, and its liberal everyday culture combined with a rise in xenophobic policies towards immigrants and refugees. Taking place in one of the happiest and wealthiest countries in the world, with an egalitarian and universal health care and social welfare system, the Copenhagen Fellowship is uniquely situated to explore the paradoxes that arise between majority and minority in a self-perceived liberal, democratic and egalitarian society.

With the aim of strengthening active citizenship, diversity and civil responsibility in times of political polarization and challenges to the legitimacy of human rights and democratic institutions, the Copenhagen Fellowship programs from 2017 - 2019 focus on the building of inclusive societies. In 2018, the Copenhagen Fellowship tackles this theme from a political perspective, scrutinizing the challenges and prospects in the development of an inclusive and diverse Denmark.

### Week 1 >> Fairy Tale Denmark. The Danish Political System

Once upon a time, there was a country known for its liberal democracy, its high levels of equality and for protecting the rights of its citizens. Such is the fairy tale story of Denmark, yet in recent years, the direction of Danish politics has increasingly moved towards challenging the legitimacy of the human rights necessary to uphold such a system. In order to understand this evolution in Danish politics, it is necessary to understand both the established institutions and values of Danish society as they look today, but also the way they came to be. Therefore, the aim of the first week is to better grasp the **history behind the Danish democratic system and the current political climate**, and to question whether the oft-told political fairy tales about Denmark hold up to scrutiny.

We will explore the importance of collective action as we delve into a history which is foundational to Humanity in Action: **The rescue of the Danish Jews in October 1943.** It is a history that provides us with valuable lessons on civil courage, but it is also the history of the Holocaust; a historical event that spurred the promise of "never again" and a movement to support universal human rights, which we will discuss in a Danish context.

With Johan Borups Højskole as our tapestry, we will also explore how the history of the **folk high school movement** has fundamentally influenced Danish political culture with its focus on democracy, popular education, dialogue and community. Fittingly, the **Danish Parliament** at Christiansborg Castle is located just across from the school. The Parliament currently consists of 9 parties, three of which form the government of Denmark, and MP for the Social Democrats Yildiz Akdogan will guide us through the castle's history and the Parliament's current political landscape.

Central to Danish democracy, as to most others, is the freedom of press. Although indirect, the power of the press is significant, affecting public opinion, distributing information and keeping the other branches of power accountable. Yet with the invention and proliferation of the internet, the conditions of the media have changed. Visiting the new digital media company Zetland, we will discuss **the role and the landscape of Danish media today**, and what it means to be a new media in a new digital reality.

### The People's Meeting

The heritage from democratic movements such as the folk high school has left its mark on Danish society in many ways, and among them is the short distance between citizen and politician characteristic of Scandinavian countries in general. When the Fellowship goes to Bornholm to participate in the democracy festival, the People's Meeting, this proximity will become very tangible. Walking the streets of Allinge, where the festival is held, one might bump into the Danish prime minister or other political leaders. By engaging in the festival, the Fellowship will seek to explore and understand the mechanisms of citizen-level democracy and its practices.

### Week 2 >> Daily Denmark. Practicing Politics of Inclusion

While the establishment of the Danish welfare state has placed the country on top in rankings on both democracy, trust and happiness, the Danish welfare state has not eradicated all issues of exclusion pertaining to minority groups. The second week of the Fellowship will explore **the cracks in the fairy tale story of Denmark**, as we meet with and discuss the hurdles facing different minority groups still struggling to be equally included into Danish society. We will meet with people and organizations who strive to further inclusion of minorities, but also learn of and develop methods to this end ourselves.

For most of its history, Denmark has been viewed as a culturally, religiously and ethnically homogenous nation. However, contemporary Denmark is characterized by a number of ethnic minority groups from the Middle East, Africa, East Asia and Eastern Europe. This development has furthered an identification and actualization of boundaries between insiders and outsiders. To explore these boundaries, we will discuss **Danish national identity**, and hear the stories of those who are not included in the creation of such an identity. We will also explore how **different minority identities intersect** with regards to ethnicity, gender, sexuality and ability, and how these intersections create particular experiences related to marginalization and social acceptance.

Furthermore, we will explore initiatives dealing with issues relating to the **inclusion of marginalized groups in civil society**. In current Danish politics, it is often stated that integration is a high priority but concrete integration policies are criticized for discriminating ethnic minorities. We will delve into the politics behind the Danish government's plan to eradicate parallel societies before 2030 to explore whether the plan is part of this tendency. We will also hear from initiatives working to empower marginalized groups and local communities experiencing social and economic exclusion.

After exploring diverse perspectives on practices of inclusion, the focus will turn to a history often neglected in the history of the majority. Walking through historical Copenhagen, our destination will be the the newly raised monument *I* Am Queen Mary, a statue inspired by Mary Thomas, a Caribbean woman who led a revolt against Danish colonial rule in the 19th century. In the triumphant story of Denmark and Danish democracy, the **history of colonial rule** is often conveniently forgotten, including the history of the autonomous states of Greenland and the Faroe Islands, which are still a part of the Kingdom of Denmark. Focusing on this newly raised public monument, we will discuss the constant re-writing of history and its role in forming our contemporary identities.

### Week 3 >> Global Denmark. Challenging the Bedrock of Society

Like all other nations, Denmark is not a self-contained entity, but a dot in a vast network of global exchanges. This week will therefore focus on the challenges that affect the very foundational political structures of our global society: **technology, climate change, migration and flight, and the distribution of economic resources**. We will explore how to fortify and further a democracy based on human rights whilst tackling these global challenges, and give space to movements and organizations that conceive of a different and more globally inclusive and egalitarian future.

Within recent years, the large number of refugees to Europe has spurred **political proposals that call into question the universal validity of human rights**, both in Denmark and abroad. Yet the global flow of refugees and migrants and the looming crisis of climate change threaten to reveal the unsustainability of these proposals. We will take time this week to consider the relation between this ecological crisis, migration and human rights, to delve into the Copenhagen Declaration, the Danish-driven proposal to reform the current human rights system in Europe, and to partake in an exhibition arranged by Doctors Without Borders focusing on the flight of the Rohingyas.

As migration patterns challenge the self-perceived inclusiveness of Danish society, technological advances challenge the very way our world is structured. Algorithms are increasingly pervasive in our access to information and our digital infrastructure, and this week we will discover how diversity and discrimination affect the algorithms that structure our reality. The increased digitization also fundamentally changes the way movements are thought, built and expressed, which we have seen with the #metoo-movement. We will discuss how this movement and its methods have affected Danish society and learn how it can be seen in relation the feminist waves of the 20th and 21st century.

Having explored and discussed Denmark in a world of global challenges, the last excursion of the Copenhagen Fellowship will be an exploration of a community attempting to create change on a micro-level. Visiting the ecological, intentional community of Svanholm, we will learn and discuss methods of **consensus democracy** and the potential of changing your living circumstances as a means to change the world.

### **Week 4 >>** From Denmark to Europe. On Our Way to Strasbourg

From a point of departure in Danish society, this week will look to **Europe as a political and cultural entity**, exploring the crisis of faith towards the EU spurred on by the Eurozone crisis, the so-called refugee crisis, and by the euroscepticism inherent in Brexit. This will function as the lead-up to the 9th Annual Humanity in Action International Conference in the European Parliament in Strasbourg, which will explore how to engage civil society in the building of an inclusive and democratic Europe.

To grasp the diversity of the European project, we will start off the week by focusing on **Denmark and Greece in relation to the EU**, two countries whose experience with, stance towards and status within the EU vary significantly, aptly illustrating the challenges the EU faces in creating a coherent political identity. After this exploration of how different concerns and interests characterize member countries' relations to the EU membership, the Fellows will go to Strasbourg with an understanding of the bureaucracy and tensions that can occur within the political processes of a transnational institution like the EU.

This week is also the time to reflect on the past weeks of the Fellowship, and to consider how to channel this newly gained experience into action. There will be time for the Fellows to evaluate the Fellowship and to prepare and **pitch their ideas for Action Projects**. After the conference, it is time for the ideas behind the Fellowship to be realized.

### 2018 Humanity in Action International Conference in Strasbourg

The Humanity in Action International Conference is the annual gathering of emerging and established leaders committed to promoting human rights, diversity and active citizenship in their own communities and around the world. The 2018 International Conference will be held from July 5 to July 8 in Strasbourg, France.

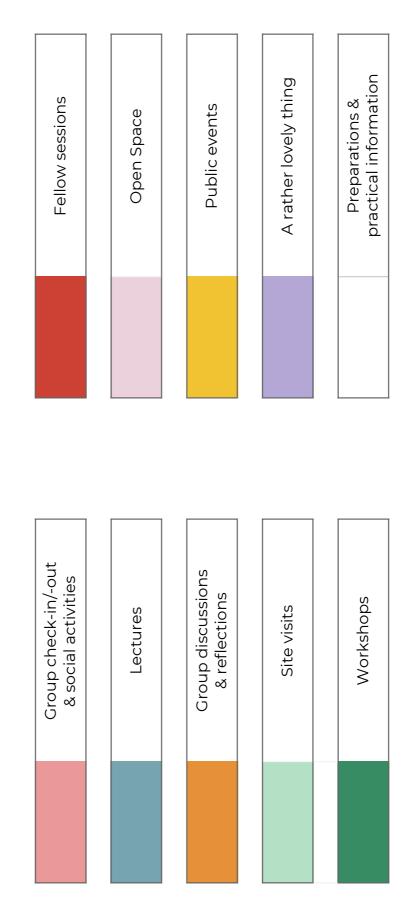
The 2018 International Conference will focus on the European Union as the largest global peace project and one of the primary mechanisms for economic, political, cultural cooperation and advancement of fundamental rights in Europe. About 250 Humanity in Action current Fellows and Senior Fellows (alumni) will convene at the European Parliament in Strasbourg to explore the complex dynamics of European identity, collective memory and remembrance, as well as political, economic, and cultural collaboration. The participants will be drawn from Humanity in Action's transatlantic network of over 1,700 emerging political, social, and cultural leaders who are committed to strengthening democracy, advancing diversity, and fostering active citizenship.

The conference will include keynotes, discussions and workshops with leading European and international experts. It will also feature the annual Senior Fellow Reunion Dinner, skills training sessions, networking opportunities and tours within Strasbourg. >> 2018 Copenhagen Fellowship

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# Towards an Inclusive Society: a Political Perspective



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Sunday June 10	09.00 - 10.00 Expectations for the Fellowship	Break		10.00 - 12.00 Deciding on group values	-	12.00 - 13.00 Lunch	13.00 - 14.00 Going to	14.00 - 15.00 Wealth and exclusion	a guided tour by Anders Jerichow Chair of Humanity in Action Denmark			15.00 - 17.00 <b>Garden Party</b> at Chair of Humanity in Action Denmark	Anders Jericnow's House in Hoite		
Saturday June 9	09.30 - 11.00 Brunch and social activity		۱.۵۵ - ۱۱.45 Introducing Humanity in Action & Code of Conduct	Break	12.00 - 13.00 Introducing the Copenhagen Fellowship program		13.00 - 13.45 Lunch	13.45 - 14.15 Introducing Johan Borup's Folk High School	14.15 - 15.15 A Senior Fellow experience	a presentation by virginia spirits, Humanity in Action Senior Fellow and Program Intern	Break	15.30 - 16.00 Fellowship ground rules	16.00 - 16.45 What's on the news? Social activity		
Friday June 8														19.00 - 21.00 Welcome Reception & Senior Fellow Graduation With the Humanity in Action network	@ Johan Borups Højskole, Frederiksholms Kanal 24, 1220 København
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	Histories of Democracy, Human Rights and Persecution	Political Institutions History & Present	Political Denmark Today	The People's Meeting: Practicing Democracy
8.15 - 8.45	Breakfast (optional)	Breakfast (optional)	Breakfast (optional)	Going to
9.00 - 9.30	<b>Morning Assembly</b> with Johan Borups Højskole	<b>Morning Assembly</b> with Johan Borups Højskole	9.00 - 10.00 <b>Long Morning Assembly</b>	
	9.30 - 9.45 <b>Group check-in</b>	9.30 - 9.45 <b>Group check-in</b>	10.00 - 10.15 <b>Group check-in</b>	
Σ0	9.45 - 11.00 <b>The Folk High School Movement</b> <b>&amp; its Impact on Danish Society</b> <i>A lecture by</i> <i>Bjørn Bredal, Principal</i>	9.45 - TI.J5 The Formation and Future of the Danish Welfare State A lecture by	10.15 - 10.45 <b>Fellow Session</b> Fellow-led presentation	<b>The People's Meeting</b> A deep dive into
αz·	at Johan Borups Højskole Break	во цаедаага, Historian & Journalist	10.45 - 11.30 Going to	the on-the-ground practice of democracy
- z		Break	11.30 - 13.00 Visiting Christiansborg:	and politics in Denmark
υ	11.15 - 12.45 <b>Fellow Sessions</b> Fellow-led presentations	11.25 - 12.45 <b>The Welfare State</b> & Issues of Inclusion A group discussion	<b>The Corridors of</b> <b>Danish Parliament</b> A site visit and talk with Yildiz Akdogan, MP Social Democrats	
			13.00 - 13.20 Going back	
12.45 - 13.15	Lunch	Lunch	Late Lunch	

Thursday June 14 e 13 - Sunday June 17	s itions		<b>The People's Meeting</b> A deep dive into the on-the-ground practice of democracy	- 0		ut		()	
Wednesday June 13	14.00 - 15.00 <b>Fellow Sessions</b> Fellow-led presentations	Break	15.15 - 17.00	<b>Open Space</b> Fellow-led activities		17.00 - 17.30 <b>Group check-out</b>		Dinner (optional)	
Tuesday June 12	13.30 - 14.15 Going to 14.15 - 15.45 <b>Visiting Zetland: Danish Media and Politics</b> A site visit and presentation	co-rounder, Partner & callor at Zetland	15.45 - 16.30 Going back	16.30 - 17.45 <b>The People's Meeting:</b>	<b>Concept &amp; Practicalities</b> Group preparations	17.45 - 18.00 <b>Group check-out</b>	Dinner (optional)	19.00 - 20.45 Danish Democracy in the 21st Century A public talk by Clement Kjersgaard, TV Anchor,	
Monday June <b>1</b> 1	13.30 - 14.45 <b>The History of Human Rights</b> <b>from a Danish Perspective</b> <i>A lecture by</i> <i>Eva Maria Lassen, Humanity in Action</i> <i>Deputy Chair &amp; Senior Researcher at</i> <i>Danish Institute for Human Rights</i>	A presentation and city walk with Jonathan Harmat,	Project Manager at Center for Jewish Information	17.00 - 17.15 <b>Group check-out</b>		Dinner (optional)			
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### >> The People's Meeting

Sunday June 17	Breakfast and morning meet-up		9.00-11.30 <b>Take down camp</b>		FUICI
Saturday June 16	Breakfast and morning meet-up	8.30 - 9.15 Action Project Beginnings	Exploring	10.30-11.30 <b>Dialogue Coffee with Özlem Cekic</b> A talk with Özlem Cekic, Bridge-builder, Counselor and former MP	Lunch
Friday June, 15	Breakfast and morning meet-up	8.30 - 9.15 Action Project Beginnings		Lunch	
Thursday June 14	Going to Folkemødet	7.45 Meet at Johan Borups Højskole and walk to the bus		bus · ferry · bus incl. lunch	
	7.30 - 8.30	Σ 0	~ Z –	Σ U	

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	Exploring the People's Meeting	school a la			Dinner	<b>Optional activity:</b> World Cup match: Denmark vs. Peru
12.30-13.30 Democratic Potential of Democracy Festivals A presentation by Bertel Haarder, MP and Initiator of the People's Meeting	Exploring the People's Meeting in groups	<b>16.00</b> SET UP: Civiltinget Debate	16.30-17.30 <b>The Masking Ban: A Dialogue</b> A debate on the Danish Masking Ban		Dinner	<b>Reflections and findings</b> Evening meet-up after dinner
14.30-16.00 <b>Set up camp</b>		Dinner	<b>Reflections and findings</b> Evening meet-up after dinner			
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## Week 2 >> Daily Denmark

	Monday, June 18	Tuesday, June 19	Wednesday, June 20	Thursday, June 21	Friday, June 22
	Democracy & Dialogue	Minorities & Intersectionality	Space, Inclusion & Social Cohesion	Ability, Equity & Equality	Forgotten Histories
8.15 - 8.45		Breakfast (optional)	Breakfast (optional)	Breakfast (optional)	Breakfast (optional)
9.00 - 9.30		<b>Morning Assembly</b> with Johan Borups Højskole	<b>Morning Assembly</b> with Johan Borups Højskole	<b>Morning Assembly</b> with Johan Borups Højskole	<b>Morning Assembly</b> with Johan Borups Højskole
		9.30 - 9.45 <b>Group check-in</b>	9.30 - 9.45 <b>Group check-in</b>	9.30 - 9.45 <b>Group check-in</b>	9.30 - 10.00 Extended aroun check-in
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z –		for ethnic minorities		Break	
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υ		Break	11.30 - 12.45		Break
		11.45 - 12.45 <b>Fellow Sessions</b> Fellow-led presentations	Responsibility & Empowerment in Local Communities A lecture by Helen Ali, 2017 Copenhagen Fellow & Founder of EmpowHERment	11.15 - 12.45 <b>Fellow Sessions</b> Fellow-led presentations	12.00 - 12.30 <b>Fellow Session</b> Fellow-led presentation
12.45 - 13.15		Lunch	Lunch	Lunch and Borups presentation	Lunch

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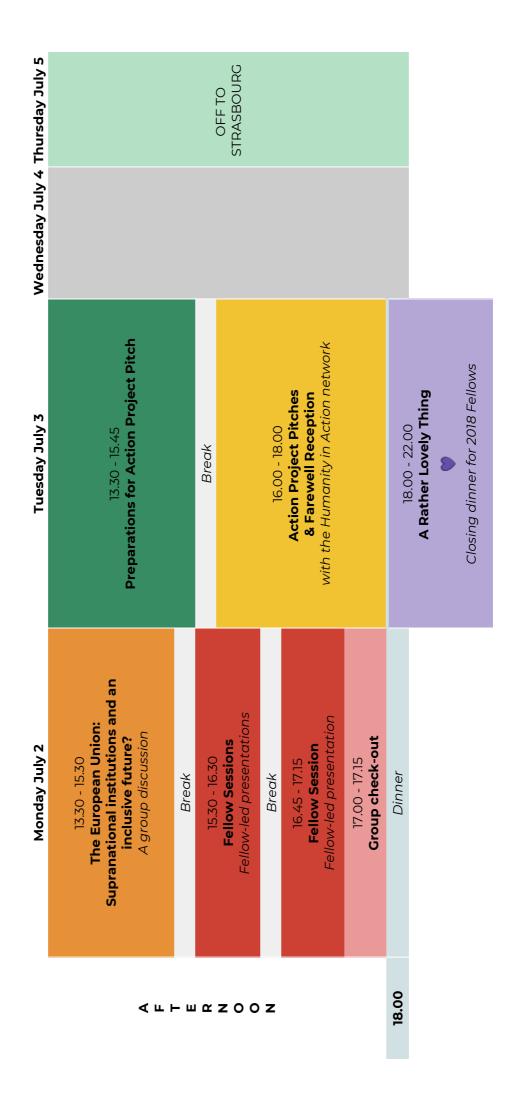
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Friday June 29	Alternative Living as a Road to Change	Breakfast (optional)		9.00 - 10.15 <b>Morning Gathering</b> with Guillaume Binet Borups Cross Over					VISIT SVANHOLM	Arrival at 12 00	12-12.30 Lunch	12.30-13.30 <b>Tour of Svanholm</b>	
Thursday June 28	Sustainability & Responsibility	Breakfast (optional)	8.45 - 9.00 <b>Group check-in</b>	9.00 - 11.15	Action Project	Workshop #2				Break	11.30-12.45 Ideals and Compromise	<b>in Leadership</b> A lecture by Rasmus Grue Christensen, Senior Fellow & Director at Danish Association of the Blind	Lunch
Wednesday June 27	Power, Gender, Knowledge & Change	Breakfast (optional)	8.45 - 9.00 <b>Croup check-in</b>	9.00 - 10.00 <b>The Future of Human Rights</b> A group discussion	Break		10.15 - 11.45 Social Entrenzeneurshin ac a	Change Maker A lecture by	Sahra-Josephine Hjorth,	senior renow and co-rounder & CEO at Canopy Lab		11.45 - 12.45 <b>Fellow Sessions</b> Fellow-led presentations	Lunch
Tuesday June 26	(Cultural) Borders & Human Rights	Breakfast (optional)	8.45 - 9.00 <b>Group check-in</b>	9.00 - 10.15 National Politics in a World of Global Challenges A group discussion		Break	10.30 - 11.00	Rohingyas Fleeing (VR) Borups Cross Over	Break		11.15 - 12.45	Fellow-led presentations	Lunch
Monday June 25	Diversity & Inclusion in a Digital World	Breakfast (optional)	8.45 - 9.00 <b>Croup check-in</b>	9.00 - 10.30 <b>Gender &amp; Minority</b> <b>Discrimination in Tech</b> A lecture by Natalie Schluter,	of Data Science BSc at ITU		Break	10.45 - 12.00 <b>The Campaign Strategies</b>	of the European Far Right	A lecture by Anne Katrine Ebbesen,	Senior Fellow and 2014 Lantos Fellow	12.00 - 12.45 <b>Counteracting the</b> <b>Strategies of the Far Right</b> A group discussion	Lunch
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	Monday June 25	Tuesday June 26	Wednesday June 27	Thursday June 28	Friday June 29	Saturday
	13.30 - 14.00 Fellow Session Fellow-led presentation Break	13.30 - 15.30 Cultural Representation of "the Other" A lecture by	13.30 - 15.30 <b>Fellow Sessions</b> Fellow-led presentations	13.30 - 14.45 <b>Climate Change and Political Change</b> <i>A lecture by</i> <i>Peter Bjerregaard</i> ,		
	14 15 - 15 45	Sabrina Vitting-Seerup, PhD at University of Copenhagen		Climate & Energy Analyst		
	A Rather Lovely Thing		Break	Climate Change in a	15.50-14.00 Walk to shelters	
	8	Break		<b>Human Rights Perspective</b> A group discussion	14-16.00 <b>Evaluation</b> 16-16.30 <b>Walk back</b>	
	Break		15.50 - 17.45	Break		
' Õ	16.00 - 17.30 <b>Diversity in Tech</b> - an Activist Perspective A lecture by Nynne Christoffersen, Developer & Board Member at Hack Your Future	15.45 - 17.45 <b>Open Space</b> Fellow-led activities	<b>#metoo: Power &amp; Gender</b> A presentation by Ane Krestine Larsen, Senior Fellow, Faculty at DIS and Councellor at Sex & Samfund	16.00 - 17.45 Democratic, Economic Reform & Positive Money A lecture by Jonas Jensen, Educational Coordinator at Gode Penge	le.SU-le.OU Lecture and discussion by Svanholm resident <i>Simon N. Madsen</i> on Self-Government and Alternative Living	
	17.30 - 17.45 <b>Group check-out</b>	17.45 - 18.00 <b>Group check-out</b>	17.45 - 18.00 Group check-out	17.45 - 18.00 Group check-out		
	Dinner (optional)	Dinner (optional)	Dinner (optional)	Dinner (optional)		
		19.00 - 20.45 <b>The Future of Human Rights</b>		19.00 - 21.00 A Rather Lovely Thing		
		A public panel debate				

**The Future of Human Rights Panel** Director of the Raoul Wallenberg Insitute for Human Rights, Morten Kjærum · Secretary-General of Amnesty International Denmark, Trine Christensen · French Ambassador, François Zimeray · Head of Department for Human Rights at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Mette Nørgaard Dissing-Spandet · *Moderator*: Paula Larrain, Journalist

## Week 4 >> From Denmark to Europe

	Monday July 2	Tuesday July 3	Wednesday July 4 Thursday July 5
	The European Union Today and Tomorrow	Evaluation & Action Projects	
8.15 - 8.45	Breakfast (optional)	Breakfast (optional)	
9.00 - 9.30	<b>Morning Assembly</b> with Johan Borups Højskole	<b>Morning Assembly</b> with Johan Borups Højskole	
	9.30 - 9.45 <b>Group check-in</b>	9.30 - 9.45 <b>Group check-in</b>	
2 O ¤	9.45 - 11.00 Europe and Greece in the 21st Century: Geopolitical Challenges and Cultural Identity A lecture by Achilles Skordas, PhD and Professor of	9.45 - 10.45 Written Evaluation	OFF TO STRASBOURG
Z	International Law	Break	
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2 0	11.15 - 12.45 <b>Denmark in the European Union</b> A lecture by Stina Soewarta, Head of Representation European Commission Representation in Denmark	10.45 - 12.45 <b>Visiting the European Parliament</b> Preparing for the 9th International Humanity in Action Conference in Strasbourg	
12.45 - 13.15	Lunch	Lunch	



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Speaker biographies

### **Fellowship speakers**

## Week 1 >> Fairy Tale Denmark

>> Monday, June 11

#### Bjørn Bredal

Principal of Johan Borups Højskole

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

#### Eva Maria Lassen

Deputy Chair of Humanity in Action Denmark and Senior Researcher at DIHR

Eva Maria Lassen is Deputy Chair of Humanity in Action. She holds a Ph.D. in History and is a Senior Researcher at Danish Institute for Human Rights. She is vice president of the European Inter University Centre for Human Rights and Democratisation (Venice).

#### Jonathan Harmat

Project Manager at Jewish Information Center

Jonathan Harmat holds a masters-degree in Philosophy and Religious studies from Copenhagen and Tel Aviv university. He is the project-manager for Jewish Information Center, and currently conducts research in anti-Semitism in Denmark for The European Union's Agency for Fundamental Rights (FRA).

>> Tuesday, June 12

### Bo Lidegaard

Historian and Journalist

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.

#### Hakon Mosbech

Editor, Partner and Co-founder at Zetland

In 2012, Hakon Mosbech along with three other Danish journalists founded the new Danish media company Zetland - a subscription-based online service, delivering daily publications of high quality feature journalism. They focus on creating meaningful, in-depth journalism rather than fast news. Aside from his work at Zetland, Mosbech hosted the notable radio show "Humans and Media" on Danish Radio's channel P1 from 2014-16. He left the position to focus on his work at Zetland.

#### **Clement Kjersgaard**

TV Anchor, Editor and Public Speaker

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

>> Wednesday, June 13

#### Yildiz Akdogan

MP for the Social Democrats

With a decade of political work behind her, Akdogan is an experienced member of the Danish Parliament. In 2007 Turkish-born Akdogan was, along with Özlem Cekic, one of the two first female politicians with immigrant background to be elected into Parliament. She has an MSc in Political Science and has previously worked as a journalist. She is an active participant in public debate on issues such as EU & Turkey, equality and diversity.

### >> People's Meeting

#### **Bertel Haarder**

MP and Initiator of the People's Meeting

Bertel Haarder is MP for Venstre (Denmark's Liberal Party) where he has been Secretary of ten different ministries, serving as a Secretary for a total of 7,906 days. This makes him the longest serving Secretary in Denmark in the past 100+ years. From 1997-1999 he was the Vice-Chairman of the European Parliament, and from 1999-2001 he was the Vice-Chairman of the Liberal Party ALDE in the European Parliament. In 2011 Bertel Haarder was the primary initiator of the People's Meeting at Bornholm, inspired by the Swedish democracy festival Almedalsuge.

#### Özlem Cekic

Bridge-builder, Counselor and former MP for the Socialist People's Party

Özlem is former MP for the Socialist People's Party, now a self-employed professional. She characterizes herself as a bridge-builder, and she has in the past years gotten attention from BBC among others for her concept Dialogue Coffee. Part of the concept is her meeting with people who has sent her hateful emails or comments, but also meeting with those who wish to create dialogue. She is educated as a nurse, but in 2007 she went into politics where she was, along with Yildiz Akdogan, one of the two first female politicians with immigrant background to be elected into Parliament. She was an MP for close to eight years.

#### Erik Bjerager

Editor-in-Chief and CEO at Kristeligt Dagblad

Erik Bjerager is the Editor-in-Chief and CEO of Kristeligt Dagblad, a Danish newspaper based on a Christian foundation. He has been the Editor-in-Chief for 24 years. Prior to that he was Editor of Foreign Affairs and Correspondent at the financially oriented newspaper Børsen. He has also worked as Special Correspondent to the Wall Street Journal. Erik Bjerager holds an MA in Journalism and Public Affairs from The American University, Washington, D.C.: School of Communication.

#### Anders Jerichow

Chair of Humanity in Action Denmark and Journalist at Politiken

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

#### Noura Bendali

Midwife and MP Candidate for the political party Nationalpartiet

Noura Bendali came to Denmark from Morocco when she was 2, finishing her education as midwife in 2000 and becoming the first muslim midwife educated in Denmark. Since then, she has been working full-time as midwife at Hvidovre Hospital. In 2015 she decided to become a political candidate for the young political party Nationalpartiet. Noura has also been a representative of Jordemoderforeningen (Association of Midwives), for UNICEF, and for KULU Women and Development, a non-partisan advocacy and development organisation for 23 women's organisations. Noura is also part of her local community committee for kids, young people and culture.



>> Monday, June 18

#### The Danish Center for Dialogue

Consulting firm for dialogue and conflict-resolution

The Danish Center for Dialogue works with dialogue, process facilitation and conflict resolution. On the one hand, they facilitate dialogue, group processes and conflict resolution. On the other hand, they do workshops and trainings that give others' knowledge and tools to engage in dialogue, facilitate group processes and manage conflicts constructively. They work with non-profit organizations, public institutions and private companies.

#### Anna Forrest

The Danish Center for Dialogue

Anna is a trained KaosPilot and holds a BA in pedagogy. Anna has specialized in designing and implementing co-creation processes and she has conducted processes and seminars on dialogue in Denmark, Jordan, Egypt, Palestine and Morocco.

#### **Clara Rubin**

The Danish Center for Dialogue

Clara holds a Master in Global Development and a Bachelor in Anthropology. She has worked for the Danish Red Cross and the Danish Foreign Ministry's MENA department as well as facilitated seminars and workshops on dialogue in Denmark, Jordan, Egypt, Morocco and Zimbabwe.

>> Tuesday, June 19

#### SABAAH

Community for LGBT+ people with minority ethnic backgrounds

Founded in 2006, Sabaah is a non-profit organization working for the rights of LGBT+ with minority ethnic backgrounds. They strive to create a social network to support and guide people through the personal and social challenges they face navigating the world as ethnic, sexual, and/or gender minority members. The issues their target group deals with are often related to identity, coming out, religion, loneliness, family conflicts, relationships, and the LGBT+ community. Sabaah is engaged in political activism, debates, and in helping minority-ethnic LGBT+ people.

Sandra L. Soliz SABAAH

Sandra L. Soliz is an educator of many years. Sandra had been a part of Sabaah for 3,5 years and is currently a board member, head of counseling and co-founder of the Sabaah Outreach programme. She has an educational background in international development studies, educational studies and Danish. On a daily basis, she teaches Danish, math and IT to young refugees.

#### Fahad Saeed

SABAAH

Fahad Saeed is the co-founder of Sabaah and works as a Project Manager in Mino Danmark, an organization and think tank for ethnic minorities in Denmark. Fahad has spearheaded numerous projects in Sabaah and been in the forefront of advocating the rights of ethnic minority LGBT+ persons. Fahad is part of the steering committee of Sabaahs Outreach program and head of communications.

#### Geeti Amiri

Opinionator, blogger and author

Geeti Amiri is a Danish opinionator, who is known for her strong opinions on minority related topics, especially concerning feminism and ethnic minority groups. She has been a blogger and commentator at the Danish newspaper Berlingske and at the Danish tabloid newspaper Ekstra Bladet. Between 2016 and 2017 she had her own radio show, Geetisk Råd, at the Danish Broadcasting Corporation's radio channel P1. She is currently studying to become a teacher in Danish and Social Science.

#### **Rapolitics**

Non-profit working with rap and artivism

RAPOLITICS is a non-profit organisation based in Denmark. They promote youth empowerment through a creative and constructive focus on urban artistic expressions, raptivism, dialogue & democratic awareness-raising. Their vision is to empower youth to express themselves & take action.

#### Pelle Møller

Rapolitics

Pelle is a Danish rapper, known from Mc's Fight Night, Rapavisen and Parlør. Storytelling and poetry fill up the lyrics in his songs, and when facilitating and performing, improvisation has been a vital part of his ability to capture audiences all over Denmark the last decade.

#### Noura Bittar Søborg

#### Rapolitics

Noura Bittar Søborg is a Syrian refugee and women's rights activist. She graduated from Damascus University and holds a degree in Political Science, and is currently finishing her

Master in Social Entrepreneurship and Management at Roskilde University. Much of her work to date has focused on promoting peace and human rights, especially working with women, children, refugees and minorities. She is a professional storyteller working for projects such as "Rapistan" in RAPOLITICS.

#### >> Wednesday, June 20

#### Magnus Harrison

CEO AM Breweries, COO Studenterbolaget & Board Member Demokratiscenen Former National Director of Humanity in Action

Magnus Harrison is an entrepreneur and experienced project manager. He is the former National Director of Humanity in Action Denmark and has worked extensively with politics in both the US and Denmark. In 2017 he started his own company brewing a whole new type of beverages on a natural waste product thus tackling a structural reason to poverty in East Africa. He is also a board member of Demokratiscenen which you will meet at Folkemødet - an NGO dedicated to strengthening participatory democratic process and dialogue. He holds an MA in political economy and a BA in History.

#### Helen Ali

Founder of EmpowHERment and Community Organiser at Medborgerne 2017 Copenhagen Fellow

Helen Ali holds a Bachelor's Degree in Arabic and Islamic studies from University of Copenhagen, and is currently studying a Master in Cross-Cultural Studies at University of Copenhagen with an elective in Human Rights Studies from London Metropolitan University. She has recently founded the association EmpowHERment and is interning at Medborgerne, a citizen-alliance working on empowering the local communities of Nørrebro and Nordvest in Copenhagen.

#### Initiative for Fair Housing Policy

A new citizen-driven grassroots initiative founded by tenants on the background of the Danish government's recently published ghetto policy "A Denmark without parallel societies – No ghettos in 2030". The initiative aims to organize tenants living in areas defined as "ghettos" to combat not only the racist structures of the new policies, but also the neoliberalization of the housing market.

>> Thursday, June 21

#### Nikolaj Nielsen

PhD and team leader at Danish Institute for Human Rights

Nikolaj Nielsen has studied law at University of Copenhagen and wrote his thesis on social law and human rights. He holds a PhD in social law and housing rights, and has worked both as a lawyer and part-time lecturer. Today he is team leader of the disability team at the Danish Institute for Human Rights, whose focus is on protecting, promoting and monitoring the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities in Denmark. He is on the board of Settlementet på Vesterbro, an organisation promoting social and cultural equality.

#### Michael Lodberg Olsen

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 the 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.

>> Friday June 22

#### Katja Lund Thomsen

Program Coordinator, Humanity in Action Denmark

Katja Lund Thomsen has a BA in Peace and Conflict Studies from Malmö University and is currently studying an MSc in Development studies at Lund University. Katja has worked with mobilization of volunteers, campaign development and research in a number of organizations who work to improve the rights of migrants and refugees in Denmark. She also worked with the mobilization of volunteers in HopeNow, an organization assisting trafficked people.

#### **Emilie Bang-Jensen**

National Director of Humanity in Action Denmark

Emilie Bang-Jensen holds an MSc in Empire, Colonialism and Globalisation from the London School of Economics and Political Science, and a BA in English and History from the University of Copenhagen. Her areas of expertise are colonial history, postcolonial theory, Holocaust memory, and youth education and empowerment. She is the founder of several cultural initiatives in Copenhagen, and has worked in Humanity in Action Denmark since 2012.

## Week 3 >> Global Denmark

>> Monday, June 25

#### Natalie Schluter

Associate Professor & Head of Data Science BSc at IT University

Natalie Schluter holds an MA in Linguistics, an MSc in Mathematics, and a PhD in Natural Language Processing. She is currently employed at the IT University of Copenhagen as Associate Professor in two research group and Head of Programme for the new Data Science BSc. Her professional interests are Theoretical Computer Science and applications for these theoretical findings in Natural Language Processing and other Data Science, however, she has also voiced criticism of the lack of diversity in tech and the consequences of this lack.

#### Anne Katrine Ebbesen

Risk Assessment Officer at Railnet Denmark 2013 Copenhagen Fellow and 2014 Lantos Fellow

On top of being a Senior Fellow, Anne Katrine Ebbesen is a former intern at Humanity in Action Denmark from 2012. 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.

#### Nynne Christoffersen

Art Historian and Autodidact Programmer

Nynne Christoffersen holds a Master's degree in Decorative Arts, Design History, Material Culture from Bard Graduate Center in New York, and was most recently an Art History fellow at Humboldt University in Berlin. She teaches programming, is a member of the board at Hack Your Future, is the main organizer of Rails Girls Copenhagen and a regular contributor to the feminist tech collective DO:TOPIA. She also hosts discussions on tech and society with Agency for future matters. Her most recent projects include teaching a workshop on the connection between tech and textiles and organizing the feminist coding retreat Camp Hex.

#### >> Tuesday, June 26

#### Sabrina Vitting-Seerup

PhD fellow at the Department of Arts and Cultural Studies, University of Copenhagen

Sabrina Vitting-Seerup holds a Master's degree in Modern Culture. She won a prize for her thesis about the potential of cartoons to create understanding between minority groups and

the majority in a society. As a PhD fellow, she is currently doing research on how Danish cultural institutions and current cultural products depict migrants and descendants. In 2016, she won The World Public Speaking Championship, and she runs her own communications company, Ren Snak (Clear Talk), doing talks, workshops, and facilitation.

#### Morten Kjærum

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

Morten Kjærum is Director of the Raoul Wallenberg Institute of Human Rights and Humanitarian Law at Lund University in Sweden and board member of Humanity in Action Denmark. He holds a Master of Law from Aarhus University and has previously been Director of the European Union Agency for Fundamental Rights (FRA) from 2008 to 2015. He is currently Chair of The Board of the European Council on Refugees and Exiles (ECRE) as well as chair of the Board of Trustees of the Voluntary Fund for Technical Cooperation (VFTC) in the Field of Human Rights and of the Universal Periodic Review (UPR) Trust Fund for Financial and Technical Assistance. He was the founding director of the Danish Institute for Human Rights (DIHR), and has also been Chairperson of the Network of Directors of EU Agencies, member of the United Nations Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination (CERD) and in 2004, he was elected Chair of the International Coordinating Committee for National Human Rights Institutions.

#### François Zimeray

French Ambassador to the Kingdom of Denmark

François Zimeray is a lawyer who became diplomat. Member of the Paris Court of Appeal Bar, he practiced as attorney-at-law for twenty years, partner of Jeantet&Associes firm. He was also elected Mayor at the age of 27 and Member of the European Parliament at 37. Then, he decided to come back to his first commitment, as a fundamental rights activist. He joined the French Foreign service in 2008 when appointed as France's Ambassador-at-large for Human Rights. In this capacity, he accomplished more than 100 missions around the world. Since 2013, he serves as France's Ambassador to the Kingdom of Denmark. On February 14, 2015, Zimeray survived a terror shooting in Copenhagen when participating in a debate on freedom of speech, following the Charlie Hebdo attack. From his mixed experiences, he wrote a book published in France and Denmark « J'ai vu partout le même visage », Plon, Gyldendal, 2016

#### Paula Larrain

Editor, Journalist, Author and Moderator

Paula Larrain is a journalist who has worked for Berlingske, Ekstra Bladet and DR, where she is still active. She is editor and founder of Dit Perspektiv, a volunteer-driven online media on global events. In 2017, Paula became a board member of Mino Danmark which is an organisation promoting the rights of minorities in Denmark. Paula also works as a professional moderator, coach and speaker. She has been involved in politics for a short period, and she is the author behind a number of books.

#### **Trine Christensen**

Secretary General at Amnesty International Denmark

Trine Christensen holds an MA in Economics from Copenhagen Business School and is currently the Secretary General at Amnesty International Denmark; the Danish section of the largest human rights organisation in the world. She has been a part of Amnesty for 18 years, being both Policy Director at the Danish department, but also a Senior Researcher at the American department and consultant to the International Secretariat.

#### Mette Nørgaard Dissing-Spandet

Head of Department for International Law and Human Rights at Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Denmark

Mette Nørgaard Dissing-Spandet holds a Masters degree in law from University of Copenhagen, and is currently Head of Department for International Law and Human Rights at Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Denmark. She has been within the human rights department for the past 6 years. Prior to that, she was senior advisor on EU law and team leader on the European Court of Justice and Access to Documents within the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. Back in 2011 she had a year being the team leader of stabilisation in Afghanistan. Between 2007-2011 she was serving as special/senior advisor to the Secretaries of respectively the environment and climate & energy. Mette Nørgaard also has 4 years of experience from within the United Nations.

>> Wednesday, June 27

Sahra-Josephine Hjorth Co-founder at CanopyLAB 2011 Copenhagen Fellow

Sahra-Josephine Hjorth is co-founder and CEO of CanopyLAB, an eLearning platform that, based on machine learning, gamification, and artificial intelligence, enables completely personalized and adaptive learning experiences online. In no time, she has lifted the company from an idea to working with global leaders, such as Google, Samsung, Accenture, EY, Telia, and IBM, and being part of the leading ecosystems around the world. As a PhD at Aalborg University, she was the first PhD to research how emerging technologies and particularly digital learning can empower refugees and migrants to find employment, fight wage dumping, crowdsource vetting of employers, and get formal education, leading to groundbreaking results.

#### Ane Krestine Larsen

Faculty at DIS and Counselor at the Danish Family Planning Association (IPPF) 2010 Copenhagen Fellow

Ane Krestine Larsen holds a faculty position at the Gender and Sexuality Studies Department at DIS, teaching various BA courses on gender, sexuality, prostitution and human rights. Moreover, she works as a counselor at the Danish Family Planning Association (IPPF) focusing mainly on gender identity and sexual health, as well as at RedenUng, an organisation working on issues regarding prostitution and sexual assault. Ane is furthermore engaged with Amnesty International as a human rights educator and co-hosts the feminist podcast 'Aftenskolen'.

>>Thursday, June 28

#### **Rasmus Grue Christensen**

Humanity in Action Senior Fellow and CEO of the Danish Association of the Blind

Rasmus Grue Christensen is former Assistant Director at Humanity in Action Denmark, and a Senior Fellow from the 2001 Copenhagen Fellowship program. Currently, he is the CEO of the Danish Association of the Blind. Rasmus holds an MSc in both Business Administration & Philosophy and International Relations from respectively Copenhagen Business School and London School of Economics and Political Science. He has been the Secretary General of the Social-Liberal Party of Denmark (Radikale Venstre), Executive Director at Danish Red Cross Youth, Managing Director of the Monday Morning Think-Tank, as well as holding different positions in the Danish Foreign Ministry.

#### Peter Bjerregaard

Market Regulation Manager and former Climate and Energy Editor at Ræson

Peter Bjerregaard has previously been the Climate and Energy Editor for the non-profit political magazine Ræson as well as Editor-in-Chief at the Climate & Energy Business magazine FORESIGHT and a climate analyst at Mandag Morgen. He holds an MA from Copenhagen Business School and now works as a market regulation manager at E.ON.

#### Gode Penge

Non-profit organization working to democratize the economic system

Gode Penge (directly translated: Good Money) is an organization advocating a reform of the Danish economic system to make it more democratic, stabile and just. They are inspired by Positive Money and are part of the global network International Movement for Monetary Reform.

#### Jonas Jensen

Gode Penge

Jonas Jensen is a lecturer and the Educational Coordinator at Gode Penge. He visits schools, teaching about the monetary system, and gives lectures on Gode Penge's critique and reform of the monetary system. He has developed a 'learning-board' and a special set of Monopoly-rules for educational purposes for the organization. He holds an MA in Political Science from the University of Copenhagen.

#### Simon Nyrup Madsen

Cand.mag. Rhetoric, Political Science & Russian and Resident at Svanholm

Simon Nyrup Madsen has a broad educational background with Bachelor majors in Rhetoric and Political Science, a minor in Russian, and a Master in Rhetoric. His day job is with the Danish Taxation Agency, but his passion lies with his home, Svanholm Collective, a large intentional community with around 80 adults and 50 children (in 2009). Svanholm grows its own food and was one of the pioneers of organic farming in Denmark. The place is run through consensus democracy.

## Week 4 >>

## From Denmark to Europe

>> Monday, June 19

#### **Achilles Skordas**

PhD and Professor of International Law

Achilles Skordas is a Greek professor at the Universities of Copenhagen and Bristol (UK). He has studied law at University of Athens, Greece, and he was awarded a PhD in Law (Dr. Jur.) by the Goethe University in Frankfurt-am-Main. He has previously served as advisor to the Greek Parliament on international legal affairs. His research focus is on international dispute settlement, international law and security, law of the sea, European foreign and security policy, and migration law and policy. He was awarded a Marie Curie fellowship in 2016 and he conducts research on the International Court of Justice. He has been Visiting Researcher at Harvard Law School, and Visiting Professor at York University in Toronto and at the University Paris XII among others. From September 2018, he will be Senior Research Fellow at the Max Planck Institute for Comparative Public Law and International Law in Heidelberg.

#### Stina Soewarta

Head of the European Commision Representation in Denmark

Stina Soewarta has a masters degree in law from University of Copenhagen and the Raoul Wallenberg Institute in Lund, Sweden. Since September 2016 she has been the head of the European Commission Representation in Denmark. She has previously been Head of Communications in the Directorate-General for International Cooperation and Development, advisor for two European Commissioners, and has also worked both in the European Parliament and at the Danish Permanent Representation at the European Union. Stina Soewarta started her career in the departments of two Danish Ministries: the Ministries of Agriculture and Foreign Affairs, and taught at Copenhagen Business School.

>> 2018 Copenhagen Fellowship

Important program components

### Our venue

## 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 Danish folk high school where students age 18 and above spend four months studying everything from documentary filmmaking to songwriting.

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, and a chance to make new friends across borders.

## Folkemødet

## **The People's Meeting**

From June 14 - June 17 we will take the Fellowship to the People's Meeting to explore Danish political culture in eye height with politicians and other decision makers in Danish society. The People's Meeting is Denmark's biggest Political Festival taking place on the beautiful Island of Bornholm in the small town of Allinge. With the aim of strengthening democratic dialogue outside the walls of the Danish Parliament, the People's Meeting brings together 100.000 politicians, businesses, civil society organizations and ordinary citizens to discuss urgent political issues in Danish society today. The People's Meeting is entirely an **outside activity**, it is lively, intense and an excellent opportunity to get an insight into how Danish democracy is practiced.

We have arranged a program full of action-oriented workshops, presentations on political dialogue and time for group reflections. You will also have free time to explore the People's Meeting in smaller groups and take part in the rich program developed by the organizers of the People's Meeting.

Most political parties, associations, businesses, media platforms and civil society organizations who are present at the People's Meeting have their own stand with events such as workshops, seminars and debates. They also devote time to answer questions and engage in discussions with anyone who is curious to learn about their work. As a participant in the People's Meeting, you will therefore get the opportunity to walk from stand to stand and explore and discuss the issues that you find most interesting! During the day, you can also take a swim in the cold water, enjoy a lunch by the seaside and in the evenings there will be outside concerts.

#### >> Practical information

Together with youth parties, Danish folk high schools and youth organizations, we will have our base at a local youth camp situated nearby the city centre of Allinge. Here, we will be **sleeping in tents** and have our breakfast and dinner together with other young people who also participate in the People's Meeting.

We will provide a sleeping mat and a sleeping bag for all international Fellows but it is very important that **all Danish Fellows** bring a sleeping mat, a sleeping bag and rain boots. Importantly, all Fellows (Danish Fellows and international Fellows) should make sure to bring warm clothes, as it will get cold in the evening. We recommend a woolen sweater and a good jacket, and suitable footwear. If it is at all possible, you need to bring a rain jacket and rubber boots as we unfortunately cannot guarantee the weather.

When you arrive to the Fellowship we will provide you with detailed practical information and answer any question you may have about the People's Meeting.

## **Host families**

# Experiencing everyday life in Denmark

All international Fellows will be staying in the Greater Copenhagen area with a host or host family who are interested in getting to know our Fellows and being part of Humanity in Action. As a hosted Fellow, you will be part of a host family's everyday life. This exchange is an important part of the Copenhagen Fellowship experience, and is a great opportunity to get to know life in Denmark.

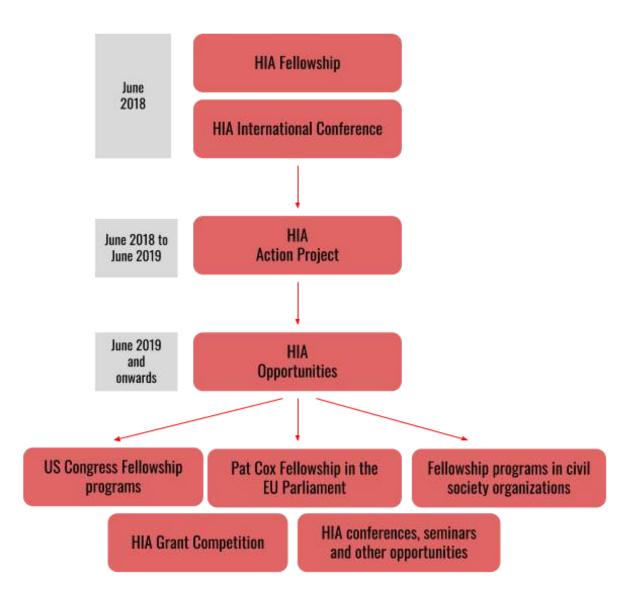
We expect that you take part in the everyday life of your host family, joining their meals and helping them with their chores. Of course, each family is different and we therefore request all Fellows to start their homestay by discussing each others' expectations. The staff of Humanity in Action Denmark will of course always be available to address any issues, should they arise. >> 2018 Copenhagen Fellows

# **Beyond the Fellowship**

## A life-long engagement

## **Being a Humanity in Action Fellow**

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.



## **Action Projects**

# **Turning knowledge into action**

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

#### **Previous Action Projects**



**The Refugees** A publication for and by young refugees to Denmark. By 2016 Copenhagen Fellow Sara Ridder



#### No Straws Attached

An international campaign to end the use of plastic straws. By 2017 Copenhagen Fellow Priyanka Kalra.



#### SHE Talks

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



#### LGBTQ\* refugees

A workshop for Venligboerne on intersectional LGBTQ\* issues. By 2017 Copenhagen Fellows Helen Ali and Semi Killic >> 2018 Copenhagen Fellowship

**Practical information** 

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