

Call for Nordic PhD Symposium - new deadline for registration – April 1, 2016

Oslo and Akershus University College of Applied Sciences, Department of Archivistics, Library and Information Science, invites Nordic doctoral students and supervisors to a Nordic PhD symposium to take place in Oslo on **May 2 and 3, 2016**. The goals of the symposium are:

- To provide Nordic doctoral candidates with an opportunity to have their research presented and discussed in a broad context with fellow candidates and senior researchers from all universities in the Nordic area offering doctoral studies in the field.
- To contribute in promoting a research community the LIS researchers of the future in the Nordic area.

We are happy to announce that the keynote speaker at the opening of the symposium will be Professor Karen Fisher, Washington University. Besides being a prolific and outstanding researcher in our field, Karen is now undertaking a very important project in refugee camps for Syrian refugees in Jordan and among asylum seekers in Berlin, developing information services based on an analysis of the refugees' information needs and information behavior, offering library services, e.g. story telling hours for children in the refugee camps. The project demonstrates the relevance of LIS in the current critical situation, and Karen will report from that project in her keynote.

We welcome papers representing all subfields of LIS, as well as papers representing the different stages in a PhD process, from the initial outlines of a project until the nearly completed ones. The symposium will have a plenary session including a keynote speech, and parallel sessions where candidates and seniors working with related subjects can have in depth discussions of the submitted papers.

The symposium intends to be a forum where all PhD candidates in the Nordic area can have their work discussed. Therefore, there is no peer review on beforehand. The discussion of the submitted papers at the symposium is the peer review.

Depending on where a candidate finds herself/himself on the road towards completing a dissertation, papers can take the form of:

- A research proposal: Research questions, literature review, theoretical and methodological considerations
- Outline for a paper to be submitted to a peer reviewed journal or conference
- A chapter in a monograph
- Outline for a cape in an article based dissertation

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Participation without submitting a paper is of course also possible.

Papers should be submitted by e-mail to Lisbeth.Rise@hioa.no within April 15, 2016

The different schools will have to cover travel expenses and accommodation for their own participants, but there is no conference fee. There will be a modest lunch on both days.

Deadline for registration is April 1 2016. Register by e-mail to Lisbeth.Rise@hioa.no.

Information, including a list of nearby not too expensive hotels and pensions will be published on the web site of our PhD-program. <http://www.hioa.no/Studier-og-kurs/SAM/Ph.d/Bibliotek-og-informasjonsvitenskap>