

**Invitation**  
**to**  
**Nordic PhD seminar in Social History**

11-13 May 2011

**The theme of the seminar is the history of childhood and poverty in the period 1700-1950. It will be hosted by the Welfare Museum in Svendborg, Denmark, in cooperation with the Centre for Welfare State Research and Institute of History and Civilization, University of Southern Denmark.**



**The workhouse in Svendborg built in 1872  
Now houses the Welfare Museum**

## **Themes**

**The seminar will focus on two groups in society, children and the poor, and how society dealt with these groups.**

**We invite scholars and PhD students currently doing research within these areas to join the keynote lectures, debates, and presentations. The participants will be divided into two groups, each covering one of the themes of the seminar. The groups are joined at keynote lectures and the following discussions.**

**The list of senior scholars, who have confirmed their participation, includes Dorottya Szikra (Eötvös University, Budapest), Antti Häkkinen (University of Helsinki), Steve Hindle (University of Warwick) and Steven King (University of Leicester).**

### **The seminar will aim to:**

- **Provide an overview of current research on the history of childhood and poverty.**
- **Further the creation of new networks across borders, institutions, and research traditions.**
- **Strengthen cooperation between different cultural institutions such as universities, archives, and museums in a regional, national, and Nordic perspective. At the Welfare Museum we meet an existing cooperation between the Welfare Museum, the University of Southern Denmark and the City Archive in Svendborg.**

## Provisional programme

In between keynotes we will have workshops with paper presentations and comments from keynote speakers.

Time	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
8.00-9.00		Breakfast	Breakfast
9.15 -10.15		Keynote lecture Antti Häkkinen	Keynote lecture Steve Hindle
10.30-12.00		Workshops Presentations of PhD projects and discussions	Workshops Presentations of PhD projects and discussions
12.15-13.00		Lunch	Lunch
13.15-14.15		Keynote lecture Steve King	End of seminar Concluding remarks
14.30-16.00		Workshops Presentations of PhD projects and discussions	
16.00-16.30		Coffee Break	
16.30-17.45	Registration and checking-in	Guided tour at the Welfare Museum	
18.00-19.00	Welcome and practical information and Dinner	Dinner	
19.15-20.15	Keynote lecture Dorottya Szikra		

### Practical information:

**PhD Students from the Nordic countries can register, with or without paper and presentation. The seminar rates 3 ECTS points for participation with presentation.**

**The seminar and food is free of charge.**

**Accommodation and travel expenses must be covered by the participant. Prices from 135 euro for a single bedroom for two nights.**

### Paper submission:

**Interested students are invited to submit abstracts of approx. 300-500 words of the paper they plan to present. The abstract must give a clear indication of the contents and key points of the coming paper. PhD Students who want to participate without a paper presentation is asked to submit a short abstract (approx. 50 words) concerning the central themes of their on-going research. Please send your application to [imk@hist.sdu.dk](mailto:imk@hist.sdu.dk).**

**Deadline for registration and submission of abstracts: 1. March 2011**

*There will be a limited number of participants. The program committee will select the most relevant candidates for the seminar among the PhD Students who have signed up for the seminar. Candidates who participate with a paper presentation will be preferred.*

**Contact information:**

**For questions about the program of the seminar, please contact:**

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**The seminar takes place at:**

**Svendborg Museum / The Welfare Museum**

**Grubbemøllevej 13**

**5700 Svendborg**

**Denmark**

**For more information on the Welfare Museum please visit the following websites**

**[www.svendborgmuseum.dk](http://www.svendborgmuseum.dk)**

**[www.børnehjem.nu](http://www.børnehjem.nu)**

**Programme Committee Chairs**

**PhD Student, Inge Mønster-Kjær, The Welfare Museum and the Centre for Welfare State Research**

**PhD Student, Mette Seidelin, Centre for Welfare State Research**

**PhD Student, Peter Wessel Hansen, The Saxo Institute, University of Copenhagen**

**Lic. Phil., Associate professor, Head of Research Training Programme of Institute of History and Civilization, Nils Arne Sørensen, University of Southern Denmark**

**Professor, Head of Centre for Welfare State Research, Klaus Petersen, University of Southern Denmark**