

EUROPEAN SOCIETY FOR RESEARCH IN ADULT DEVELOPMENT

ESRAD CONFERENCE 2020

24th to 26th April 2020, Jönköping University, Jönköping, Sweden

- CALL FOR PROPOSALS -

This call for proposals is for all scholars and practitioners who are engaging in research and practice that is advancing our understanding of adult development. We welcome proposals from all branches of the behavioural and social sciences, and from practitioners working with adults to enhance development and personal growth.

The three key topics of focus for the conference are:

- (1) Adult development in relation to education and adult learning,
- (2) Adult development in organisations,
- (3) Action research and intervention.

In addition to the above key themes, submissions are invited that are relevant to adult development more generally. This conference is being organized in the spirit of open dialogue and the free exchange of ideas. To this end, presenters are being asked to consider opportunities for audience participation and interaction. Also, presenters have the option to propose an innovative session that steps beyond the boundaries of a typical academic presentation.

VENUE

Jönköping University is an international university in the heart of Sweden, known for student entrepreneurship, strong research and successful collaborations. Jönköping is a town situated on the shores of lake Vättern. www.jkpg.com/en/





KEYNOTE SPEAKERS

Judith Stevens-Long



Judith Stevens-Long, Ph.D., is emerita Professor of Human and Organizational Development at Fielding Graduate University where she served as the Malcolm Knowles Chair for Adult Development and Learning and is currently an adjunct. She was also a founding member of the faculty at University of Washington, Tacoma. She is an associate editor of the *Journal of Adult Development* and author of four editions of *Adult Life: Developmental Processes*. She has published numerous articles on theory in adult development, personality development in adulthood and assessment of graduate education. Her latest work is on death and dying as an opportunity for continuing development. *Living Well Dying Well* is

available on Amazon.com and she is the creator of <u>www.dyingwithwisdom.com</u>, where she posts articles designed to support people facing the last stages of life and their caretakers.

Jonathan Reams



Jonathan Reams, Ph.D., practices the cultivation of leadership through awareness based consulting, coaching and action research on leadership development program design and delivery in a variety of settings. He has a position at the Norwegian University of Science and Technology (NTNU), serves as Editor-in Chief of *Integral Review*, and is a co-founder of the Center for Transformative Leadership and of the European Center for Leadership Practice. He brings *awareness based leadership development practices* to his work, focusing on how the inner workings of human nature can develop leadership capacities for today's complex challenges.

CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

24th April

1.30pm to 5pm – Pre-conference workshop: Three levels of leadership culture

5.30pm – ESRAD AGM, Annual general Meeting

6.30pm – Pre-conference drinks and informal meeting

25th April

9am to 5pm – Conference, including keynote lecture

8pm – Conference dinner (paid for at the event)

26th April

9am to 4pm – Conference

SUBMISSION OF PROPOSALS

Submissions may be **oral presentations** or **poster presentations**. We also welcome suggestions on alternative ways on presenting that facilitates more interaction or discussion among the participants, such as short active workshops, panel or round table discussion on a theme, method or issue in adult development. Both theoretical and empirical proposals are welcome. Abstracts of oral presentation or poster proposals should not exceed 300 words (excluding title, tables, graphs and references). Abstracts should be submitted under the following structure:

- 1. Title
- 2. Authors
- 3. Topic of focus
- 4. Type: Oral presentation, poster or other
- 5. Background and Aim
- **6. Method** (if theoretical paper; approach to theoretical analysis)
- 7. **Results** (if theoretical paper; key conceptual points)
- 8. Discussion and Implications

Author participation limit: Please note to promote broad participation, ESRAD has implemented an author limit. Each author may appear only up to twice in the programme as presenter, once as first author and then a second time as co-author.

SUBMISSION DEADLINES

January 10th 2020: Deadline for submission of proposals. January 31st 2020: Notification for acceptance of proposals

SUBMISSION PROCESS

Please submit proposals as pdf or Word document to the following e-mail address: **esradinfo@gmail.com**. Please put "ESRAD Conference abstract 2020" into the subject heading.

PRE-CONFERENCE WORKSHOP

The pre-conference workshop, Three levels of leadership culture, will be led by Kristian Stålne with Sofia Kjellström. The workshop is a result from a research project on leadership development and a framework on leadership cultures developed by the Center for Creative Leadership. The workshop introduces the three levels with practical exercises along with insights from the research project.

CONFERENCE FEES

• Early Bird Conference Fee: €175 (Up to 31st March 2020)

• Full Conference Fee: €200 (from 1st April 2020)

• Student Fee: €100

• Pre-Conference Workshop Fee: €35

There will be a small additional transaction fee depending on the method of payment

REGISTRATION AND ACCOMMODATION

Information on how to register and on local hotels will be available soon on http://www.europeadultdevelopment.org/

If you have any questions, please feel free to send a query to address esradinfo@gmail.com

CONFERENCE CHAIRS

Sofia Kjellström, Jönköping University Cecilia Bjursell, Jönköping University Kristian Stålne, Malmö University

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