









Conference on gender roles, masculinity and violence

RECONSTRUCTING MANHOOD?

Leading male activists from South-Africa, India, Brazil and the USA will meet at this conference in Oslo. What have they done, learned and achieved that we have failed to do in Norway?

What can be done to engage more men in the prevention of violence against women? How can we change harmful aspects of the male role that affect women and men alike? How can men contribute to a new image of a "real man"? How is this done in other parts of the world? What can Norway learn from other countries?

The MASCULINITY CONFERENCE of the year!

The conference is free of charge and open to everybody with an interest in the role of men in gender issues – in Norway and in developing countries.

Oslo, 26 – 27 October 2010.

Organisers:





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The conference **"Reconstructing manhood?"** is a two days event with an optional participation of one or both days. We recommend that if you choose to join one of the workshops the second day, you should also be present at day one. Conference language both days: English.

| Conference programme 26 October: 09.00 Welcome address by Morten Lenstad, Secretary General, FORUT Keynote speech by Minister of Justice, Knut Storberget 10.00 One Man Can Make A Difference Speaker: Desmond Lesejane, Sonke Gender Justice, South Africa 10.45 Coffee break 11.00 Taking It To The Next Level; 21st century strategies for expanding men's leadership in the prevention of gender-based violence and other social justice and public health issues Speaker: Jackson Katz, Mentors in Violence Prevention (MVP) program, USA 11.45 A journey towards justice; Experiences from Men's Action for Stopping Violence Against Women (MASWAW), India 12.30 Lunch 13.30 "Men, Gender and the Millenium Development Geads: Findings from the International Men and Gender Equality Survey (IMAGES) and Implications for Achieving Gender Equality Globally" Speaker: Gary Barker, International Centre for Research on Women, USA and MenEngage 14.15 Discussion 15.15 Closing address by Minister of Children, Equality and Social Inclusion, Audun Lysbakken 15.45 End of conference | | |
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Tuesday 26 October: Plenary session with the participation of all the international experts and two Norwegian ministers – Mr Knut Storberget and Mr Audun Lysbakken. Venue: Sentrum Scene, Arbeidersamfunnets plass, city centre of Oslo.

Wednesday 27 October: Four parallel workshops each headed by one of the international experts, who will elaborate on how they approach the issue of masculinity and the male role in their own countries. There will be films, examples of activities employed to mobilise men like introduction to group methodologies, interlocution methods etc. plus exchange of experiences and discussions with the international experts. This is a unique opportunity to learn about mobilising men for gender equality.

Registration

The conference is free of charge. Lunch and refreshments during breaks are included.

Please register by internet: www.forut.no

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