

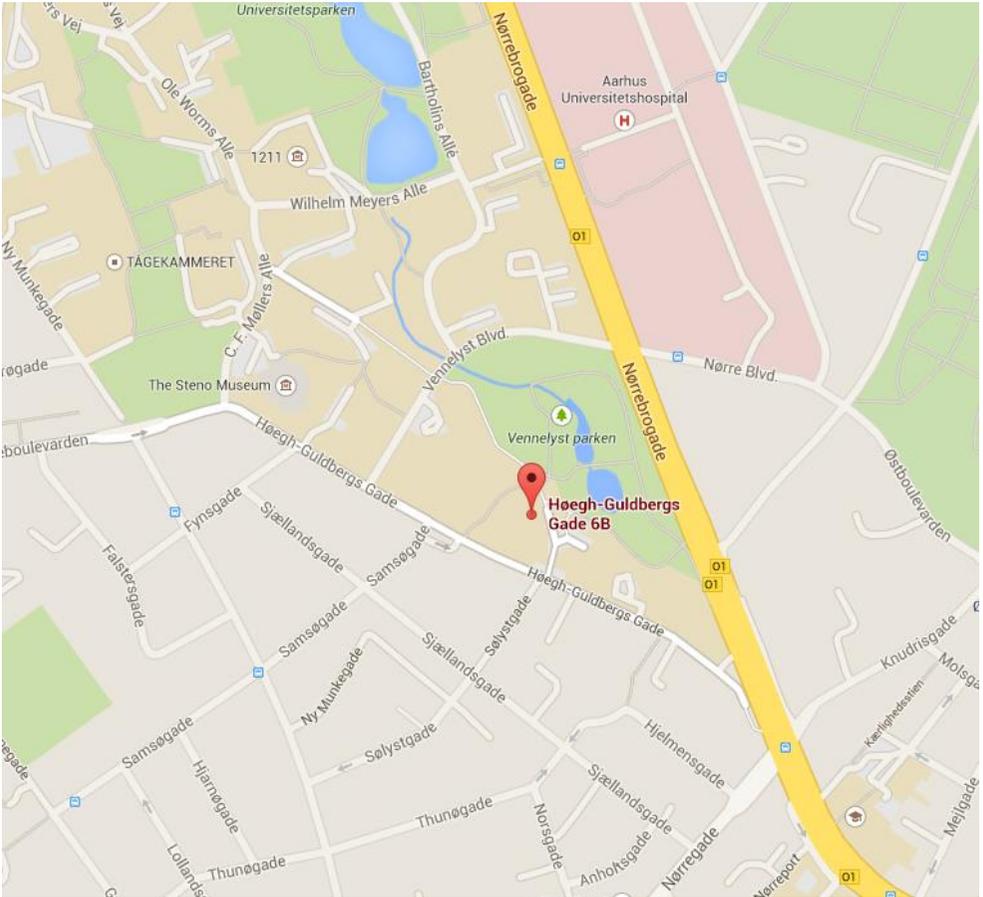


MORAL ENGINES: EXPLORING THE MORAL DRIVES IN HUMAN LIFE



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WELCOME

Dear Guest

The organizing group and AIAS give you our warmest welcome, and we wish you a very pleasant and thought-stimulating 'Moral Engines' Conference.

We hope that we will all come closer to finding the Moral Engines in human life.

Enjoy your days in Aarhus!

Conference description

In the course of the last decade or so, there has been a virtual explosion of anthropological literature which deals with morality and argues that morality should be considered a central dimension of human practice. The question of what fundamentally drives human beings to ethical reflection, to strive for moral perfection or the cultivation of particular virtues, however, most often remains unexplored in this literature. This question will be taken up for explicit discussion, creating a space for dialogue between representatives from anthropology, philosophy and the history of ideas: Is it care for the self (as e.g. in the Foucauldian sense)? Is it a care for others (as the classical works by e.g. Løgstrup and Levinas would have it)? May it be fear (e.g. fear of God or fear of social sanctions)? Or something else?

In short, the main issue of the conference is to explore what may be termed the various moral engines in human life: At which levels are they to be localised - intersubjective, societal, individual? Do they differ from society to society, culture to culture, social setting to social setting, or are they universal?

DAY 1

Wednesday 4 June 2014

Time: 12.00-19.00

- 12.00 – 12.30 Registration to the conference
- 12.30 – 12.45 Opening speech by AIAS director Morten Kyndrup and AIAS Fellow Cheryl Mattingly
- Chair: Thomas Schwarz Wentzer
- 12.45 – 13.45 Michael Lambek
 'On the Immanence of Ethics'.
- 13.45 – 14.45 François Raffoul
 'The History of Responsibility'.
- 14.45 – 15.15 Coffee break
- 15.15 – 16.15 Jarrett Zigon
 'An Ethics of Dwelling and a Politics of World-Building'
- 16.15 – 17.15 Cheryl Mattingly
 'Ground Projects, Care of the Intimate Other, and the Narrative Self'.
- 17.30 – 19.00 Welcome reception in the AIAS Hall
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DAY 2

Thursday 5 June 2014

Time: 9.00 - 17.00

Chair: Cheryl Mattingly

- 09.00 – 10.00 Jonathan Lear
'Waiting for the barbarians'.
- 10.00 – 10.30 Coffee break
- 10.30 – 11.30 Jason Throop
'On Regret: Morality, Possibility, Mood'.
- 11.30 – 12.30 Lotte Meinert
'Everyday as moral machinery - Beginnings after war in Northern Uganda'.
- 12.30 – 13.30 Lunch
- Chair: Maria Louw
- 13.30 – 14.30 Rasmus Dyring
'The Provocation of Freedom'.
- 14.30 – 15.30 Uffe Juul Jensen
'Virtues and vision - Caring for the self and for the distant other'.
- 15.30 – 15.50 Coffee break
- 15.50 – 16.50 Joel Robbins
'Where in the World are Values? Exemplarity, Morality, and Social Process'.
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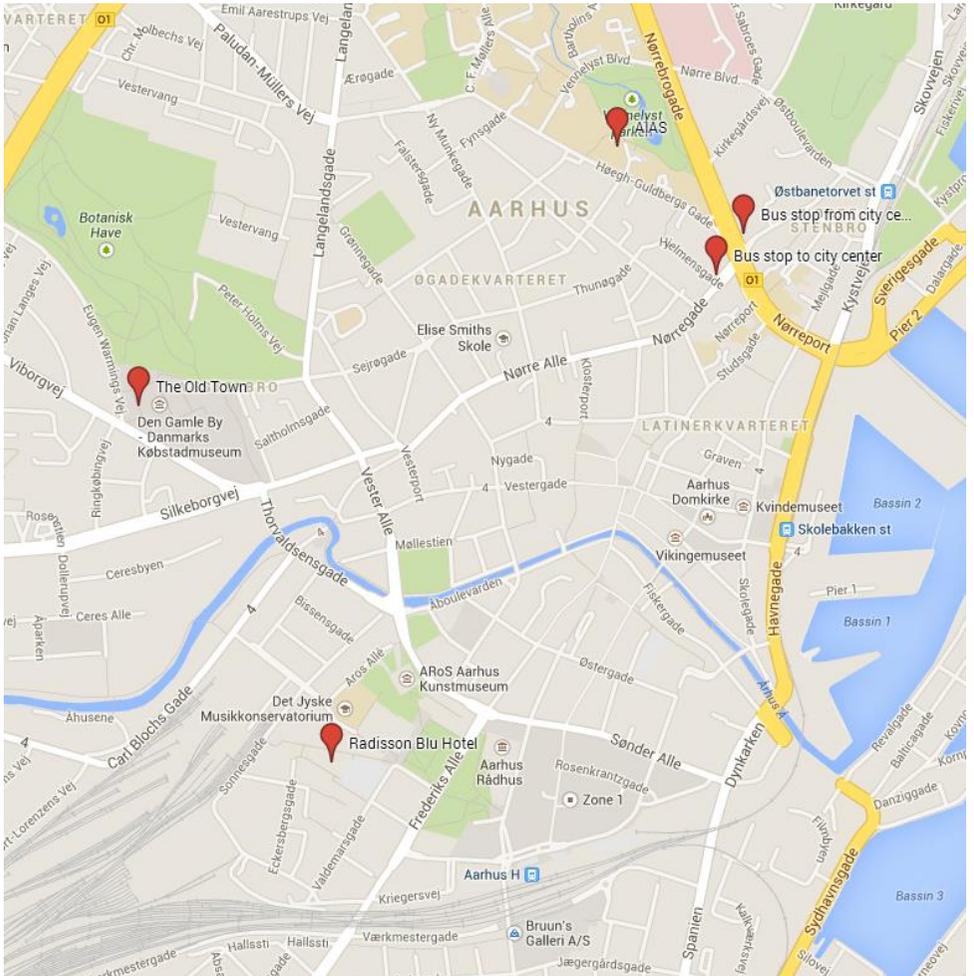
DAY 3

FRIDAY 6 June 2014

Time: 9.00 - 16.00

Chair: Rasmus Dyring

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| 09.00 – 10.00 | Dorothee Legrand
'Stranger in the clinical room'. |
| 10.00 – 10.30 | Coffee break |
| 10.30 – 11.30 | Michael D. Jackson
'The Paranomic'. |
| 11.30 – 12.30 | Thomas Schwarz Wentzer
'Responsiveness and the demand of well-being'. |
| 12.30 – 13.30 | Lunch |
| 13.30 – 14.30 | Maria Elisabeth Louw
'Discarded Moral Engines'. |
| 14.30 – 14.45 | Coffee break |
| 14.45 – 15.45 | James Laidlaw
'Fault Line in the Anthropology of Ethics' |
| 15.45-16.00 | Closing remarks by Cheryl Mattingly |
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