

## GOOD NEWS UPDATE!

December 2018

**This is an overview and sample of recent achievements of the Human Dignity and Humiliation Studies (HumanDHS) network:**

### ➤ Celebrating our 31st Annual HumanDHS Conference in Cairo, Egypt, 2018.

Thanks to all who were able to join us in September for our 2018 Dignity Conference in Cairo, Egypt! The group co-created a breathtaking conference, full of passion and inspiration! The room was filled with dignity and generated lifelong connections! Once again, we made a great step toward building a global dignity family!

- For highlights, please visit our conference website:  
<http://www.humiliationstudies.org/whoweare/annualmeeting/31.php>
- Please see this World Dignity University initiative, "Message to the World," with Ragnhild Nilsen and Helmy Abouleish from our conference in Egypt, Day One, September 21, 2018:  
[https://youtu.be/Mxzt\\_Wq\\_k3s](https://youtu.be/Mxzt_Wq_k3s)



Highlights of the 31st Annual Conference of Human Dignity and Humiliation Studies

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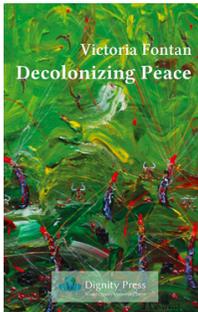
Please also see:

<http://www.hu.edu.eg/heliopolis-university-hosts-a-notable-workshop/>

## ➤ Special Recognition of the HumanDHS Community

The #OpenRecognition movement is actively remapping the world as a World Wide Web of Trust. We are convinced that together, by illuminating our diversity, our generosity, our aspirations, by supporting the achievements of individuals and communities across the globe, by celebrating those who deserve to be recognized, we can help to create a more inclusive and meaningful society.

### The HumanDHS Community Honored as Part of the Open Recognition Week



Victoria Fontan, global scholar and author of the groundbreaking book *Decolonizing Peace*, honored the HumanDHS community with a tribute as part of Open Recognition Week, October 22-28, 2018.

In her words, "the Human Dignity and Humiliation Studies network has placed the study and promotion of human dignity at the forefront of many academic disciplines... The network has been walking the talk of human dignity and, by recognizing everyone of its members as an equal contributor, has contributed to creating a world where dignity is recognized as being paramount to humanity."



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Created in 2003, the Human Dignity and Humiliation Studies network has placed the study and promotion of human dignity at the forefront of many academic disciplines, this while equalizing the fields between academia and civil society, Global North and South, men and women, established academics and individual researchers. The network has been walking the talk of human dignity, and by recognizing everyone of its members as an equal contributor, has contributed to creating a world where dignity is recognized being paramount to humanity.

**Author** Victoria Fontan  
**Link** <http://www.humiliationstudies.org>

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➤ **DignityNowNYC Continues to Bring HumanDHS Friends Together**

The DignityNowNYC group is a model for creating dignifying circles of ongoing connection and support! Michael Britton will share his reflections about this year of meetings, supported by Janet Gerson, Chipamong Chowdhury, Judit Revéz, David Yamada, and so many others.

Congratulations on their loving care of this ongoing circle of beacons of dignity.



**Dignity Press News: Publications and ePubs**

➤ **Dignity Press Published Its First ePubs in 2018!**

- Apple - iBooks

Politics & Current Events > Kathy Beckwith

KATHY BECKWITH  
A MIGHTY CASE AGAINST WAR  
What America Missed in U.S. History Class and What We (All) Can Do Now  
Dignity Press

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Published Nov 30, 2015

**REQUIREMENTS**

This book can only be viewed on an iOS device with Apple Books on iOS 12 or later, iBooks 1.3.1 or later and iOS 4.3.3 or later, or a Mac with iBooks 1.0 or later and OS X 10.9 or later.

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## A Mighty Case Against War

What America Missed in U.S. History Class and What We (All) Can Do Now  
Kathy Beckwith >

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**About the Book**

For many Americans, their last look at U.S. History was their junior year in high school. *A Mighty Case Against War* challenges America, and all people, to revisit the stories of how nations have dealt with conflict in order to see how our past informs our present and can mold our decisions for the future.

*A Mighty Case Against War* begins with a startling account of America's wars, looks at why war sells, and exposes the fallacies of some of our most influential justifications for war. Beckwith does not side-step the tough questions: What about Hitler? And genocide? If not war, then what?

Given military technology, the power to destroy is greater than at any time in human history. Beckwith proposes that our culturally supported, deeply entrenched system of governmental violence is simply too costly, destructive, counterproductive, and inhumane to leave unchallenged.

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| <b>Information</b> |                                       | <b>Published</b> Nov 30, 2015 |
| Language           | English                               | <b>Pages</b> 300              |
| Genre              | World Affairs                         | <b>Size</b> 2.1 MB            |
| Publisher          | Dignity Press                         |                               |
| Seller             | Human Dignity and Humiliation Studies |                               |

- Amazon - Kindle



## Welcome Our Newest Books!

- *The Human Climate: Facing the Divisions Inside Us and Between Us* – Carol Smaldino

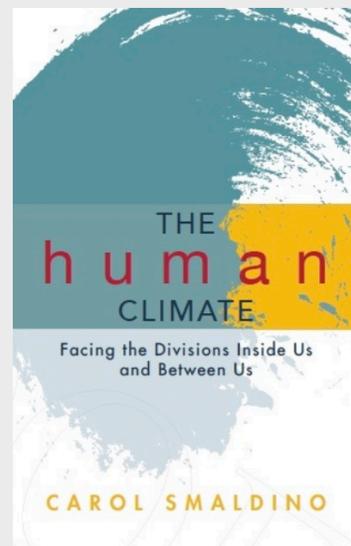
Dignity Press Book Coming Soon!

### **The Human Climate: Facing the Divisions Inside Us and Between Us** By Carol Smaldino



In her new book, *The Human Climate*, Carol Smaldino brings a developmental approach to her work as a psychotherapist. A *Huffington Post* contributor 2008 – 2017, her blogs explore the connections between emotions and social/political issues.

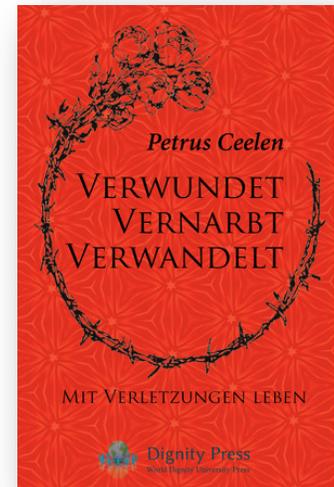
This book helps the reader explore *the human climate* — the personal, social, and emotional context in which we live. The author suggests that in order to face the divisions inside us and between us, we need to come to better terms with our own emotions. It will be released by Dignity Press in January 2019.



➤ ***Verwundet vernarbt verwandelt: Mit Verletzungen leben***  
(Wounded Scarred: Living With Injuries) - Petrus Ceelen

Unter unseren schönen Kleidern und Klamotten klappt so manche Wunde, die nur schwer vernarbt. Die Wunde des ungeliebten Kindes. Die Wunde der verlorenen Würde. Die Wunde der Trauer. Die Wunde der Trennung. Und auch die Narben tun noch weh. Es ist eine schmerzvolle Lektion, mit erlittenen Verletzungen leben zu lernen. Wir können aber an Verwundungen auch wachsen und sind selbst zuweilen verwundet, wie aus einer alten Wunde Heilung erwächst.

(Translation: Wounded scarred transformed Living with injuries Peter Ceelen Among our beautiful clothes and clothes gapes so many wounds that scarcely scarred. The wound of the unloved child. The wound of lost dignity. The wound of grief. The wound of separation. And the scars still hurt. It is a painful lesson to learn to live with suffered injuries. But we can also grow from wounds, and sometimes we are amazed how healing from an old wound grows.)



- **We are deeply thankful for Uli Spalthoff and Zuzana (Zsuzsa) Luckay Mihalcinova ongoing leadership and support of Dignity Press projects.** Their countless efforts to review projects and offer authors' guidance and encouragement are deeply appreciated by all involved.
- **We are grateful for the contributions of professional editor Carolyn Bond and book designer Christy Collins** for moving forward with Carol Smaldino's new book and for offering to work with future DP authors.

## 29 Dignity Press Books Published!

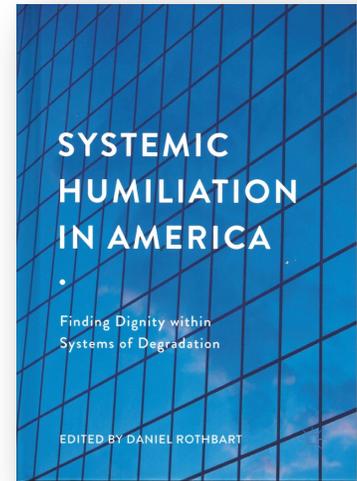
- ❖ *The Human Climate: Facing the Divisions Inside Us and Between Us* – Carol Smaldino
- ❖ *Verwundet vernarbt verwandelt: Mit Verletzungen leben* - Petrus Ceelen
- ❖ *Honor, Humiliation, and Terror* — Evelin Lindner
- ❖ *A Journey to the East* — Michael H. Prosser
- ❖ *No Greater Love: Testimonies on the Life and Death of Felicitas Niyitegeka* — Fr. Jean d'Amour Dusengumuremyi
- ❖ *Unbounded Organizing in Community* — Gavin Andersson & Howard Richards
- ❖ *A Mighty Case Against War* — Kathy Beckwith
- ❖ *Dignity Economy* – Evelin Lindner
- ❖ *The Pearl* – Ragnhild Nilsen
- ❖ *The Nurturing of Time Future* – Howard Richards
- ❖ *Rare Flower* – Ada Aharoni
- ❖ *Decolonizing Peace* – Victoria Fontan
- ❖ *Afghanistan* – Pierre Amal Kana (in French)
- ❖ *Gandhi and the Future of Economics* – Howard Richards
- ❖ *A Journey Through Turbulence* – Deepak Tripathi
- ❖ *Finding Cross-Cultural Common Ground* – Michael H. Prosser, Mansoureh Sharifzadeh, & Zhang Shengyong
- ❖ *Dignity: A Multidimensional View* — Francisco Gomes de Matos
- ❖ *Online Collaborative Learning* — Kenday S. Kamara
- ❖ *Ein liebendes und ruheloses Herz* — Helmut E. W. Starrach
- ❖ *Conversations of Taoist Master Fu Hsiang* — Mark Tarver
- ❖ *Enlightened or Mad? A Psychologist Glimpses into Mystical Magnanimity* — David Y. F. Ho
- ❖ *The Magic of the Everyday* — Arctic Queen
- ❖ *Meditations on Mystery* — George Wolfe
- ❖ *Mehr als du denkst. 77 Namensgeschichten* — Petrus Ceelen  
("More Than You Think: 77 Name Stories," in German)
- ❖ *Çekirdekten Yetistirme* — Hayal Köksal ("Catch Them Young," in Turkish)

- ❖ *Chinese Communicating Interculturally* — Li Mengyu & Michale H. Prosser
- ❖ *Generating Forgiveness and Constructing Peace Through Truthful Dialogue* — Hilarie Roseman
- ❖ *Halt die Ohren Steif 99 Friedhofsgeschichten* — Petrus Ceelen

## New Publications by HumanDHS Scholars

➤ ***Systemic Humiliation in America: Finding Dignity within Systems of Degradation* edited by Daniel Rothbart**

The primary theme of this volume is that certain systems in America exert controls over targeted population groups through mechanisms of humiliation that are designed to invade their minds, warp their thoughts, annul their self-esteem, and render them docile to the more powerful social forces. With this volume we introduce the term “systemic humiliation” to refer to a social system’s routine norms, the “taken for granted” rules, the “common sense” administrative decisions, and the seemingly innocent procedures, all of which are strategically deployed to diminish the self-esteem of certain population groups.



➤ ***Workplace Bullying and Mobbing in the United States* edited by Maureen Duffy and David Yamada**

### New Two-Volume Publication

## **Workplace Bullying and Mobbing in the United States**

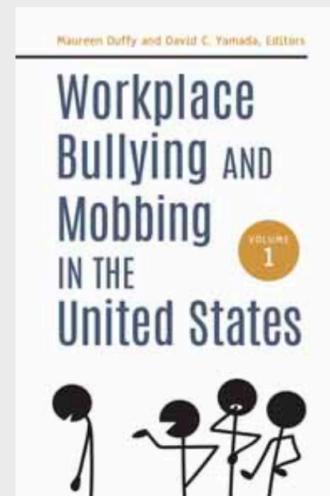
Edited by Maureen Duffy and David Yamada



Congratulations to Maureen Duffy and David Yamada (pictured) for publishing a remarkable, comprehensive resource for understanding damaging relationships in the workplace: "Offering multidisciplinary research and analysis on workplace bullying and mobbing, this two-volume set explores the prevalence of these behaviors in sectors ranging from K–12 education to corporate environments and

exposes the damaging effects of workplace bullying on both individuals and organizations."

Maureen Duffy is a preeminent authority on workplace mobbing behaviors. David Yamada is a highly esteemed member of the HumanDHS Board of Directors and a distinguished scholar of the law who writes a popular blog: [Minding the Workplace](#).



➤ ***Leading with Dignity: How to Create a Culture That Brings Out the Best in People* by Donna Hicks**

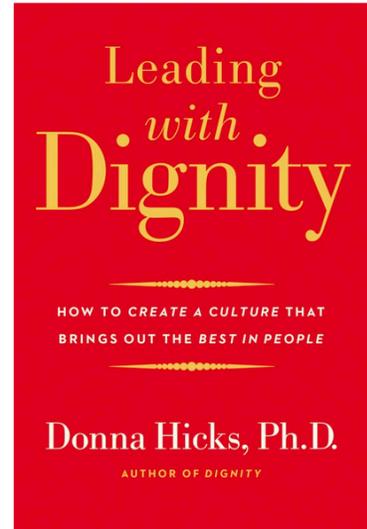
**New Book**

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**By Donna Hicks**



In *Leading with Dignity*, Donna Hicks argues that the extent to which leaders pay attention to, recognize, and understand the dignity concerns underlying people's grievances makes an enormous difference as to whether leaders can solve conflicts, have better relationships, and remedy toxic workplace cultures. Donna Hicks is an associate at Harvard's Weatherhead Center for International Affairs, and she is on the Global Advisory Board for HumanDHS.



➤ **Book Review by Janet Gerson**

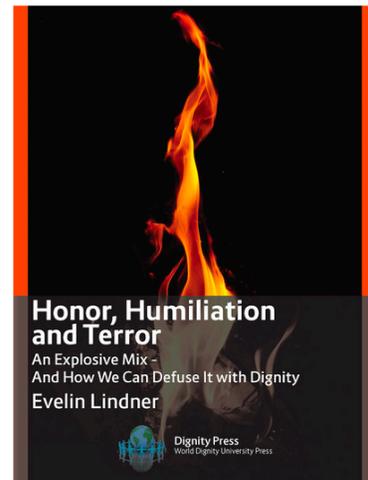
**A New Book Review**

**Evelin Lindner's Blue Planet Perspective for Transforming Humiliation and Terror**

**by Janet Gerson**

Janet Gerson, Education Director for the Institute on Peace Education, published a thoughtful review of Evelin Lindner's newest book: *Honor, Humiliation and Terror: An Explosive Mix — And How We Can Defuse It with Dignity* in a newsletter for the Global Campaign for Peace Education (September 2018).

This review notes that: "Dignity is the core principle for transforming global relations to a peace-based system that embraces equality and inclusion..."



➤ “Parkland: A Call for Dignity” by Linda Hartling and Evelin Lindner

The screenshot shows the website for the Global Campaign for PEACEducation. The header features a logo with a red and yellow bird-like figure and the text "GLOBAL CAMPAIGN for PEACEducation". Below the logo is a navigation menu with items: HOME, NEWS HIGHLIGHTS, RESEARCH & POLICY, RESOURCES, JOBS & FUNDING, ACTION ALERTS, and JOIN!. A secondary menu includes: GLOBAL PEACE EDUCATION CALENDAR, WHERE TO STUDY PEACE EDUCATION: A GLOBAL DIRECTORY, and NEWSLETTER ARCHIVES. A "RECENT ARTICLES" section shows a link to "[ November 7, 2018 ] 6th Annual National Community College Peacebuilding Seminar" with a search bar to its right.

The main article is titled "Parkland: A Call for Dignity" and is dated March 8, 2018. It is categorized under "FEATURES". The article includes a photo of Emma Gonzales speaking at a press conference. Below the photo is a caption: "Empowered by the pain of all who survived and all who lost loved ones—Emma Gonzales called out the people, policies, and practices that perpetuate gun violence in America: 'We Call BS!' (Photo: screen grab from CNN.com)".

Below the caption are social media sharing icons for Facebook, Twitter, LinkedIn, Pinterest, and Google+. The article is attributed to Linda Hartling and Evelin Lindner, © 2018, and is associated with the World Dignity University Initiative and Dignity Press. Biographical information for both authors is provided at the bottom of the article.

On the right side of the page, there is an "ESSENTIAL LINKS" section with the following items:

- Global Peace Education Calendar
- Where to Study Peace Education
- Peace Education Bibliography
- Join the Campaign!
- Donate

Below the links are icons for a calendar, a document, and a speech bubble. A list of related articles is displayed below these icons:

- Colombia must invest in education for peace, says singer Shakira
- Teaching about Peacekeeping and Alternative Security Systems
- Education for Peace "on the ground": a case study in Colombia
- 6th Annual National Community College Peacebuilding Seminar Brings Together 18 Educators from 10 Colleges and Organizations
- Nel Noddings on being present with our students
- Building Peace Together: a practical resource
- Growing peace through education in Bosnia
- Peacemakers Program seeks Peace Education Trainer for Young People (UK)

➤ **World Dignity University (WDU) Initiative Continuing Partnership with the Western Institute of Social Research (WISR) to Offer Dignity Studies — Continuing Developing Project**

The WDU and WISR are continuing their connection in order to offer adult learners the opportunity to pursue the multidisciplinary study of topics related to human dignity and social change. All students pursuing a Dignity Studies specialization would take a 5-credit course, "Dignity Studies," as part of their required courses. For more information, please contact John Bilorusky, Ph.D., at: [johnb@wiser.edu](mailto:johnb@wiser.edu)



The Western Institute for Social Research (WISR) offers personalized BS, MS and EdD degree programs to those who wish to combine academic studies and community-based inquiry with their community and professional involvements. We also collaborate with community groups in action-research projects. We are a multicultural learning community that engages people who are deeply and continually committed to progressive social change. For four decades, WISR has successfully supported the creative, community involvement efforts of over 300 adult learners. WISR students and the communities with which they are involved reflect great geographic, intellectual and cultural diversity.



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[www.humiliationstudies.org/whoweare/evelin021.php](http://www.humiliationstudies.org/whoweare/evelin021.php)

- *From Humiliation to DIGNITY: For a Future of Global Solidarity*  
 Lecture given on November 14, 2018, as part of the International Education Week 2018 organized by the Office of International Services (OIS) at Teachers College (TC), Columbia University, New York City, Grace Dodge Hall 279.

In all of my talks, I always attempt to model a Humboldtian approach, as also John Dewey would have resonated with. The aim of education is, or ought to be, the dance of dignity, the dance of balancing unity in diversity (see the “infinity



dance” at the Alvin Ailey Dance Theater).

The talk was followed by "gifts of dignifying art" from the 2018 dignity conference in Cairo, Egypt.

Abstract: TC has a great heritage of inspiring the world with humanistic and critical thinking about education, from the groundbreaking work of John Dewey and William Heard Kilpatrick to the achievements of their most recent successors, an education that educates in dignity and for dignity. This heritage is of highest value in today’s world, where global challenges require innovative solutions that transcend present-day strategies.

Has humankind dug themselves into a multitude of perilous crises, both despite and because of what we call progress? Yet, there are also immense windows of opportunity waiting to be used. This talk explores the notion of dignity and how it can show us a path into the future. The talk approaches the concept of dignity by inquiring about its violation, namely, humiliation.



- *Video message for the 2018 Conference 'Strategies for a Sustainable Future' in Cairo, Egypt*  
This video message was recorded by Evelin Lindner on 15th August 2018 in Cairo, Egypt: Please join the 2018 Conference titled 'Dignity and Innovation – Strategies for a Sustainable Future, with a Special Focus on Agriculture and Water'!
- *Video message 3 for the Indore World Summit 2018*  
This video message was delivered by Evelin Lindner on 15th August 2018 in Cairo, Egypt, invited by Tejas Kumar Jain, Secretary General of the Indore World Summit 2018 that took place in Indore 17th – 19th August 2018.
- *Video message 2 for the Indore World Summit 2018*  
This video message was delivered by Evelin Lindner on 29th July 2018 in Germany, invited by Tejas Kumar Jain, Secretary General of the Indore World Summit 2018 that took place in Indore 17th – 19th August 2018.
- *Video message 1 for the Indore World Summit 2018*  
This video message was delivered by Evelin Lindner on 3rd June 2018 in Germany, invited by Tejas Kumar Jain, Secretary General of the Indore World Summit 2018 that took place in Indore 17th – 19th August 2018.
- *Post-Conflict, Reconstruction, and Reconciliation. The Case of Rwanda*  
Closed lecture at the University of Oslo, Department of Psychology, Harald Schjelderups hus, Forskningsveien 3, Oslo, Norway, followed by students' presentation of group work on Rwanda and discussion. It is a privilege to be part of PSY4506 – Human Rights, Democracy and Reconstruction after Conflict; A community based approach, by Nora Sveaass and Inger Skjelsbæk, 12th April 2018, 10.15 – 14.00.
- *Humiliation*  
Evelin Lindner in Philippa Perry, *Humiliation*, an Overtone production for *BBC Radio 4*, 1st April 2018  
In the wake of recent political upheavals, psychotherapist Philippa Perry examines the role that humiliation plays, at personal, economic and political levels. At the heart of this programme is the effect that humiliation has upon an individual and its potential to shape the behaviour of both individuals and communities. We hear the life story of reformed criminal Noel 'Razor' Smith and how humiliation has influenced his life - from childhood to the 33 years he spent in prison. Provoking questions of masculinity, belonging and power, humiliation is an emotion as old as human nature itself, and relevant today in the international political shifts that led to Brexit and the Presidency of Donald Trump. Perry speaks to the clinical psychologist Professor Paul Gilbert about this emotion, from the evolution of humankind to the 21st Century. She also talks to sociologist Professor Victor Seidler whose perspective is shaped not just by his professional research into masculinity and social theory, but also by his own Jewish identity. We hear from the actor and opera singer Rosie Middleton, who is starring in an upcoming opera,

written by composer Michael Betteridge, based on the experiences of women who have been humiliated online by men. The arias are based on the personal experiences of Rosie and several other women. And so the programme's gaze moves towards how victims of humiliation can begin to overcome this emotion.

- *Effekten av ydmykelseser*  
Foredrag, Asker Rotary Thon hotell Vettre, mandag 19. mars 2018, kl 18.15. Vi takker Are Langmoen for invitasjonen! Vær oppmerksom på at videoen er uredigert. Videoen er tatt med et vanlig kamera som dessverre justerer fokus hele tiden.
- *On Dignity and Humiliation*  
Annual open lecture at the Department of Psychology at the University of Oslo in Norway, Harald Schjelderups hus, Forskningsveien 3, seminar room 6, 2nd March 2018, 12.15-14.00. We thank the Department of Psychology for this invitation and Lasse Moer for a fantastic video documentation. See all of Evelin's 2018 talks in Norway at <http://conta.cc/2GGEURH>.

Summary: From terrorism, war, and genocide to hatefully polarized societies to bullying and domestic violence, they often have their roots in the same dynamics of humiliation. How many of the world problems can be explained by humiliation? What happens when people feel humiliated or trampled on? If dignity is an antidote to humiliation, how can dignity be promoted?

Does a country like Norway carry a particular responsibility? Is the cultural heritage of Norway of any significance, the heritage of likeverd, dugnad, and global responsibility (Fridtjof Nansen)? What is the role of academia in this context? What is the position of psychology as a field of inquiry and as a practice?

This talk is based on Evelin Lindner's most recent book titled *Honor, Humiliation, and Terror* published in 2017.

- *Ære, ydmykelse og terror*  
Foredrag for Akademiet for livslang læring, Grenland (ALL), i Skagerak Arena i Skien, 20. februar 2018. Vi takker Ragnar Wesseltuft for invitasjonen! Vær oppmerksom på at videoen er uredigert.
- *Honor, Humiliation, and Terror: An Explosive Mix – and How We Can Defuse It with Dignity*  
Book presentation at the Eldorado Bookshop in Oslo, Norway, Saturday, 17th February 2018, 14.00. We thank Eldorado Bookshop for this invitation. Please note that the video is unedited.
- *Humiliation, and How We Can Overcome It (Powerpoint | Audio)*  
Centre for Peace Studies/ Senter for fredsstudier (CPS) of the University of Tromsø, Northern Norway, UiT Norges arktiske universitet, 9th February 2018, 9.00 - 11.00. We thank Vidar Vambheim for this invitation, together with Christine Smith-Simonsen, the director of the Centre.

## Upcoming Events and Other News

- **We have more than 350 videos on YouTube!** Many of our videos are dialogues with scholars, practitioners, and activists who are contributing their knowledge, expertise, and ideas in support of our *World Dignity University* initiative.
- **We have over 1,000 personally invited members and more than 7,100 names on our email list.** Constant Contact—which allows us to send electronic announcements to our entire community—continues to document that our electronic messages have higher “open rates” compared to the rates of other similar organizations.
- **We have over 340 distinguished scholars and other professionals on our Global Advisory Board.**

➤ We are looking forward to:

- The 2019 Workshop on Transforming Humiliation and Violent Conflict in New York City.
- Announcing Our 2019 Dignity Conference:

**33rd Annual HumanDHS Conference**  
*Toward an Amazon of Good Living through International Exchange and Collaboration*  
in Marabá, state of Pará, in the Brazilian Amazonian region  
5th - 10th September 2019



**Global Map of HumanDHS Conferences!**

