

Towards Dignity for All: Courageously Connecting as Leaders, Helpers, and Healers

In this lecture, Dr. Lindner will draw on insights from several fields, among them psychology, political science, sociology, and anthropology, sharing insights from five decades of research and experience on all continents.

Time and place: Apr. 2, 2025 3:00 PM – 5:00 PM, Auditorium 3, Harald Schjelderups hus, Forskningsveien 3A, 0373 Oslo

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In times of polycrisis, many people lose hope. However, this lecture begins with a provocative proposition: the co-creation of global peace with dignity has never been more possible than it is now, when considered in the context of all human history. Despite feelings of frustration, pessimism, and despair, we must not overlook the window of opportunity that is currently open, though it may not last long. The lecture highlights seven pieces of 'good news', seven unprecedented experiences and insights, that create this window of possibility. This opportunity invites everyone to step forward as leaders, helpers, and healers.

This lecture is open to the public, welcoming everyone, both from within the university community and those outside, who have an interest in the topic.

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Evelin Lindner. Photo: University of Oslo

About the Lecturer

Evelin Lindner has a dual education as a medical doctor and a clinical psychologist, with a Dr. med. from the University in Hamburg in Germany in 1994, and a Dr. psychol. in social psychology from the Department of Psychology of the University of Oslo in 2001, focussing on the dynamics of humiliation in relation to war and genocide. From this work, the organisation Human Dignity and Humiliation Studies (HumanDHS) grew forth, both as a transdisciplinary field of research and inquiry and a global network of academics and practitioners who wish to promote dignity and transcend humiliation around the world. Being affiliated with the Department of Psychology in Oslo since 1997, Lindner lives and teaches on all continents to develop HumanDHS globally.

Dr. Lindner's has written several books, her first book, *Making Enemies: Humiliation and International Conflict*, was honoured as 'Outstanding Academic Title' in the U.S.A. in 2007. Desmond Tutu wrote the Foreword for her third book, *Gender, Humiliation, and Global Security*. Her sixth book, *From Humiliation to Dignity: For a Future of Global Solidarity*, with a Foreword by peace philosopher Howard Richards, was finalised in 2022. In her upcoming book, *Letter to My Father*, she will explain how her work was shaped by the traumatic experiences of war and displacement endured by her father.

Lindner has been honoured with various awards, including the Prisoner's Testament Peace Award in Risør in 2009, and she has received nominations for the Nobel Peace Prize in 2015, 2016, and 2017.

A full list of Evelin's publications is available on the [Human Dignity and Humiliation Studies website](#) and [Cristin](#).

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