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World Dignity University

Bringing dignity to learning, globally and locally

----- Take a Look -- June 2017 -----

Dear Friend,

Our community is keenly aware of the rising tide of humiliation surging around the world. As others awaken to the danger, we recognize that our work together is needed now more than ever. We are forever grateful to all members of our HumanDHS family who are transforming turmoil in the world by courageously acting as *beacons of dignity!*



Painting created and shared by Ardian Adzanela and his son Andis from Sarajevo.

In this edition of **Take a Look**, we are welcoming all who will be participating in our upcoming **Annual Dignity Conference in Indore, in August**, and invite your participation in our **14th Annual Workshop on Transforming Humiliation and Violent Conflict in December in New York**.

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29th Annual Conference of Human Dignity and Humiliation Studies "Dignity in Times of Globalization"

Indore, State of Madhya Pradesh, Central India
August 16 - 19, 2017



We are very much looking forward to welcoming you to our 2017 Human Dignity and Humiliation Studies Conference, "Dignity in Times of Globalization," in August 2017.

Our conferences are part of our global efforts as a creative collaborative community -- united in our diversity -- to address the distressing dilemmas unfolding in the world today. We hope you will join us to share in our endeavor to transform the destructive dynamics of humiliation and conflict into life-enriching systems of equal dignity.

If you wish to participate, please kindly contact us at conferences@humiliationstudies.org. Allow us to share the following information to support your plans to participate. We also encourage you to check the [conference webpage](#) for the latest updates.

Our Collaborative Format

Our conferences follow a fluid, unfolding format grounded in mutually supportive engagement and insight-cultivating conversations. Rather than having an "audience" listening to "speakers," our aim is to create a community that builds ideas together through dignifying dialogue, what we call *Dignilogues*. Please allow us to share this introductory handout on [Digniloguing](#).

A World of Gratitude to Our Hosts

This conference will be hosted by the [Renaissance Indira Group of Institutions](#) in Indore, India, in cooperation with the [World Dignity University initiative \(WDUI\)](#). The Renaissance Indira Group of Institutions consists of a number of colleges, including a business school and a law school. The city of Indore is a hub of education and industry and has an illustrious history. It is located not far from Bhopal.



We are especially thankful for the leadership and support of Event Coordinator Vinita Raj and Director of Public Relations Amol Mishra at the Renaissance Indira Group of Institutions. We also warmly thank [Deepak Tripathi](#) for creating this wonderful connection between our global dignity work and the Renaissance Indira Group of Institutions. Please see Deepak Tripathi's book, [A Journey Through Turbulence](#), published by [Dignity Press](#).

Important Information for Everyone:

- If you haven't already done so, we would greatly appreciate receiving your introductory information (e.g., contact information, CV, papers, and technical

equipment needs). Thanks for sending it to: conferences@humiliationstudies.org

- It would be wonderful if you could spend the entire conference with us so that real dignity-family-building can emerge. However, it is also possible to participate only in our Public Event or only in the workshop portion of our event.
- Thank you for making your travel and accommodation plans soon. Please see the conference [webpage](#) for details.
- It would be great if you could complete your "Appreciative Introduction" ([Word/PDF](#)) and email it to the address above, and, in addition, print it out and bring it with you.
- We do not charge registration fees for our events. We share responsibility for this conference by dividing the expenses equally and inviting all participants to contribute according to their ability.

[Please read more about our 2017 conference as it unfolds...](#)

Join us in December

**14th Annual HumanDHS Workshop on
Transforming Humiliation and Violent Conflict**
"The Nature of Dignity -- The Dignity of Nature"



Image courtesy of Gerd Altman

Thursday - Friday, December 7 - 8, 2017
Teachers College, Columbia University, New York

Welcome to Our Annual Workshop!

This is our very warm welcome to -- and reminder of -- our upcoming annual [Workshop on Transforming Humiliation and Violent Conflict](#), Thursday and Friday, December 7 - 8, 2017, Columbia University, Teachers College, New York.

America's withdrawal from the Paris Climate Accord, combined with the growing consequences of global warming, lead us to ask, **"What is the nature of dignity?"** and **"What is the dignity of nature?"** In this workshop, we are opening a dialogue about how climate change may shape our efforts to transform humiliation and violent conflict in our lives and in the world. In particular, we are challenging ourselves to examine how dignity protects and replenishes our relationships with both people and our planet.

This workshop is specifically designed to stimulate collaboration, conversation, and mutually energizing connections. Moving beyond the conventional lecture/presentation format, we aim to meet in a spirit of shared humility and equal dignity.



2016 New York Workshop Participants

Many Ways to Connect

Whether you join us as a creative contributor, a supporter, an active listener, a moderator, a dialogue facilitator, or in some other collaborative capacity, we want to emphasize that everyone in the workshop plays an important role in creating a climate of connection and mutual learning on the path to dignity.

If you would like to confirm your participation:

You will find all of the latest details about the workshop -- updated regularly -- at:
<http://www.humiliationstudies.org/whoweare/annualmeeting/30.php>.

- **New Friends:** If you wish to join us, we invite you to send us your message and introductory information to: workshops@humiliationstudies.org. Thanks for including your contact information and any other details you would like to share with our community (e.g., CV, papers, articles, presentations). We gratefully count on you to make your own transportation and accommodation arrangements.
- **Returning Friends:** We look forward to welcoming you again to our workshop! To confirm your participation, thank you for emailing us and letting us know how you might like to contribute this year. We would warmly welcome your efforts in support of dialogue sessions, facilitation, music, movement, poetry, and/or creating a climate of collaborative connection.
- **All Friends:** If you have an abstract or a paper you wish to share, you are warmly invited to send it to us so we can publish it on our HumanDHS website -- Thank you!

We look forward to welcoming everyone to our workshop!

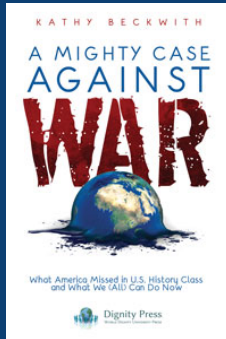
Dignity Press News!

Dignity Press (DP) books explore a wide range of topics relevant to dignity, humiliation, peace studies, and conflict resolution, and they come from many different disciplines, such as

sociology, legal studies, psychology, peace studies, conflict resolution, and inter- and transdisciplinary fields of study.

DP has published 26 books and is on the verge of publishing Evelin Lindner's newest book, *Honor, Humiliation, and Terror: An Explosive Mix and How to Defuse It with Dignity!*

Please visit the DP [website](#) to see our entire collection of publications. If you are interested in supporting the work of Dignity Press as a volunteer, please email Editor Zuzana Luckay at: zuzanmi@dignitypress.com.



Congratulations to Kathy Beckwith!

Kathy Beckwith's book, *A Mighty Case Against War*, is the winner of the 2017 Skipping Stones Honor Award! *Skipping Stones* is a multicultural literary magazine that recognizes exceptional teaching resources that promote multicultural awareness and nature appreciation!

We celebrate Kathy Beckwith and DP's Director of Operations Uli Spalthoff for their efforts that led to this lovely recognition.



The Gizah Pyramids (by Ricardo Liberato)

Please Mark Your Calendars

31st Annual Conference of Human Dignity and Humiliation Studies

"Dignity and Innovation -- Strategies for a Sustainable Future"
Cairo, Egypt -- September 2018

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Cabelo Seco, Marabá, Pará

Planning Ahead

33rd Annual Conference of Human Dignity and Humiliation Studies

In the Amazonian State of Pará,
Marabá, Brazil -- September 2019

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