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LANGUAGE FOR CHILDREN - LEARNING FOR YOU

Children's speech development is the focus area of the 15th Nordic Symposium on Child Language organized by the Center for Language Learning at the University of Southern Denmark. Come and join us for two stimulating days where researchers and practitioners within the areas of language acquisition, linguistics, psychology and language therapy will meet and discuss the theme Learning in School.

SPEAKERS



Birgitta Sahlén

Professor at the University of Lund whose research is within the areas of cognition, hearing loss, language development, and language disorders. She is principal investigator at the Linnaeus Centre for Cognition Communication and Learning at Lund University.

Presentation: "Kommunikativ och språklig utveckling hos barn med hörselnedsättning - i ett nordiskt perspektiv"

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Vibeke Grøver

Professor at the University of Oslo whose research is within the areas of language development and the development of reading comprehension of children speaking a minority language.

Presentation: "Tospråklige (minoritetsspråklige) barn i barnehagen - i et nordisk perspektiv"

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Carsten Elbro

Professor at the University of Copenhagen whose research is within the areas of reading instruction, reading disorders, and reading theory. He has been involved in the establishment of the Danish Information Centre for Dyslexia and Centre for Reading Research at the University of Copenhagen.

Presentation: "Kendte og mindre kendte sproglige forudsætninger for læsning - i et nordisk perspektiv"

IMPORTANT DATES

- Extended deadline for abstract for theme session: November 1, 2017
- Deadline for abstracts for individual oral and poster presentations: December 1, 2017



THE UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN DENMARK

The University of Southern Denmark was founded in 1966, and today it has five faculties with more than 32,000 students, almost 20% come from abroad. More than 4,000 employees are distributed across the main campus in Odense and regional campuses in Esbjerg, Kolding, Copenhagen, Slagelse, and Sønderborg. Several international studies rank the university as one of the top fifty young universities in the world.

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THE DEPARTMENT OF LANGUAGE AND COMMUNICATION

The Department of language and Communication covers a wide range of research within the areas of language and communication studies. Broadly concerned with investigating how humans create meaning, the department's research is characterized by a shared focus on linguistic and communicative forms and how these manifest.

These are investigated within and across a range of research areas such as:

- Language acquisition
- Grammatical description and theory
- Interaction
- Cognition
- Multimodality
- Organizational Communication

THE CENTER FOR LANGUAGE LEARNING

The Center for Language Learning is an interdisciplinary research center focusing on various aspects of language learning and use by first and second language learners, both children and adults, from typical and atypical populations. The center covers both basic and applied research from a range of perspectives:

In particular, the center focuses on the following areas:

- Language development and factors which have an impact on language development
- Atypical language development
- Identification of language impaired children
- Interventions for language impaired children
- Audiological practice
- Speech and language therapy practice
- Language pedagogical practices
- Parental guidance and collaboration
- Language and communication with and among children



THE 15TH NORDIC SYMPOSIUM ON CHILD LANGUAGE

The Center for Language Learning, University of Southern Denmark, is organizing the 15th Nordic Symposium on Child Language. The symposium will take place at the University of Southern Denmark from May 23-24, 2018. The symposium is an interdisciplinary meeting place for researchers and practitioners within the fields of speech and language therapy, linguistics, psychology, and other professionals with an interest in child language.

The symposium will cover a variety of themes related to child language acquisition and general learning in school, for example:

- The relationship between language development in the preschool years and later acquisition of written language/reading skills
- The influence of persistent language difficulties on the acquisition of written language/reading skills
- Bilingual children's acquisition of written language/reading skills
- Deaf and hearing impaired children's acquisition of written language/reading skills

WELCOME TO ODENSE

Odense is situated on the island of Funen, right in the heart of Denmark, and is the country's third largest city with 200,000 inhabitants. Odense is also among one of Denmark's oldest towns, with a history that began in 988 when it was granted town rights. The name originates from Odins Vé, a place where the Nordic god Odin was worshipped, and where the Vikings settled on the banks of the Odense River. Because of its long history, Odense has attracted visitors for centuries. Today, Odense is especially known as Hans Christian Andersen's hometown.

For more than 100 years, children of all ages from around the world have enjoyed H. C. Andersen's fairytales, such as: 'The Emperor's New Clothes', 'The Little Mermaid', 'The Nightingale', 'The Snow Queen', 'The Ugly Duckling', 'Thumbelina', and many more. You can follow H. C. Andersen's footsteps by taking a self-guided walking tour.

The small, winding, cobblestoned streets invite exploration, with many opportunities to take a break at one of the many cafes or to partake in some retail therapy. The city center is easy to navigate on foot, regardless whether you would like to quietly stroll along the river or to take part in the urban nightlife at one of the many restaurants or bars.

Since Funen is known as Denmark's garden, Odense offers a wide selection of local culinary specialties, from (a variety of) fresh vegetables, to the classic rygeost (smoked cheese). Many of the city's restaurants reflect this culinary diversity in their wide selection of both local and international cuisine.

Odense offers an exciting mix of history and modernity.





Once upon a time
a thousand years ago
there was a king of
DENMARK
named Gorm the Old.
All through the years
his family has ruled
the oldest kingdom
of the world, and
the present queen
MARGRETHE II
is a descendant of
the old king Gorm.

RESTAURANT

DEN GAMLE KRO
RESTAURANT
FUND. 1683

THE OLD INN

The symposium dinner will be held at Den Gamle Kro – The Old Inn. Built in 1683, the inn is situated in one of the city's oldest and most beautiful buildings in the neighborhood near H. C. Andersen's house.

The building resonates history and a special, charming atmosphere that urges you to explore its wealth of nooks and crannies.

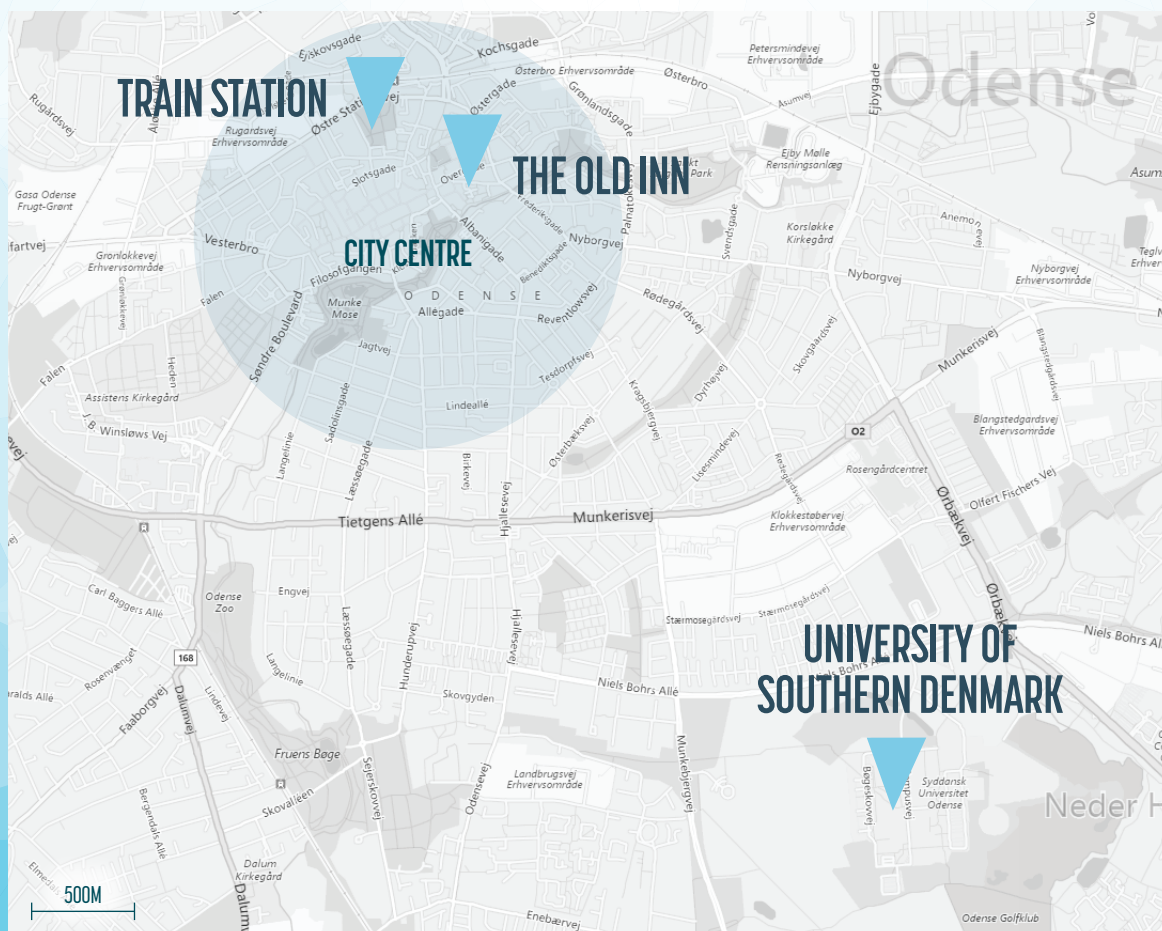
The restaurant makes you almost feel as though you have travelled back in time, and the food is an experience in itself. All the rooms are custom decorated with antiques, copperware, and wood stoves, in harmony with the authenticity of the historical building.

REGISTRATION & PRICE

- Early registration: December 1, 2017 - February 1, 2018: DKK2000
- Registration: February 2 - April 15, 2018: DKK2500
- Symposium dinner at The Old Inn: DKK550

See website for registration and updates: www.nordisksymposium.sdu.dk

FIND YOUR WAY AROUND ODENSE



WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU IN ODENSE!



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