

PRELIMINARY PROGRAMME

Nordic Network for the Cognitive Science of Religion

LOCATION:

Afdeling for Religionsvidenskab
Jens Chr. Skous Vej 3
Building 1453, room 415
Aarhus University
8000 Aarhus C

WEDNESDAY 10th OF MAY

16.30
Welcome by Ingela Visuri (Södertörn University) & Uffe Schjødt (Aarhus University)
17.00 - 18.00
Keynote Egil Asprem, Stockholm University, "Angelic Visions of the Predictive Mind: What Predictive Coding Means for the Historical Study of Kataphatic Practices"
18.00-18.30
Social event – introductions by everyone + snacks and drinks
19.00-
Dinner (at own expense)

THURSDAY 11th OF MAY

9.00-10.30
Session 1: Magic, Divination, and Dreams (20 min. presentations, 10 min. discussion) Jesper Sørensen, Aarhus University, "Cognition in Magic and Divination" Outi Pohjanheimo, Helsinki University, "The Dynamics of Enrichment of Magical Thinking. Stage I: Intuitive Emotions and Gestures in the Field" Andreas Nordin, University of Gothenburg, "How much counterintuitive content does religious dreaming contain? Reports from a case study in a Hindu-Nepalese context."
10.30-11.00
Coffee
11.00-12.00
Session 2: Spiritism, Supernatural Agency & the God Helmet Marc Andersen, Aarhus University, "Supernatural Agents and the Sense of Agency" Uffe Schjødt, Aarhus University, "The God Helmet as testing ground for extraordinary experiences "
12.00-13.00
Lunch at the venue

13.00-14.00**Session 3: Sacralisation and desacralisation**

Jonas Svensson, Linnaeus University, "Sacralisation from the perspective of the cognitive science of religion"

Hugh Turpin, Queen's University Belfast/Aarhus University, "Credibility undermining displays (CRUDs) and the desacralisation of Catholic Priests in Ireland"

14.0-14.30

Coffee

14.30-16.00**Session 4: New methods in the study of religion**

Kristoffer L. Nielbo, Aarhus University, "Minds of the Past - Text-based Reconstructions of Mental States and Traits"

Anne Buch Møller & Uffe Schjødt, Aarhus University, "Prayer and Well-being revisited: Individual variance in a longitudinal study"

Ingela Visuri, Södertörn University, "Dis-order: the study of atypical cognition".

18.30

Dinner at restaurant 'Früdnö16'
Europaplads 16, Aarhus C (see map below)

FRIDAY 11th OF MAY**9.30-11.00****Session 5: Research projects, grant applications, and future network activities****11.00-11.30**

Conclusions and goodbye