# Dignity 2018





## Honouring dignity and resistance to violence

Date: 28th - 30th of September

Location: Elite Hotel Marina, Saltsjöqvarns kaj 25, Stockholm, Sweden Registration: via <u>http://dignity2018.axacoair.com/</u> Final date September 21th Conference fee: 3000 SEK, including lunch and coffee, no accomodation included More information: www.unizon.se/dignity2018

The international conference Dignity 2018 celebrates the unending desire for dignity and justice evident in resistance to violence and other forms of injustice. We bring together practitioners, activists, and academics from Canada, New Zeeland, Australia, Kenya and Sweden with a common interest in improving social responses to all forms of violence and oppression, with a focus on genderbased and colonial violence.

Topics include: Men's violence against women and children, and how women resist violence. How children and youth resist violence. Porn-violence and how the porn industry has hijacked our sexuality. Controlled eating as resistance to violence. The connection between violence and language. Dignity-driven child protection practice. Honouring resistance in women's shelters. Resistance to colonial violence against Sami and other Indigenous peoples. The colonial core of mental health practice. Individual and collective resistance.

### **Speakers**

#### Demystifying Dignity

Linda Coates, PhD Shelly Bonnah, PhD, and Allan Wade, PhD, Centre for Response-Based Practice, Canada

#### Sexualized violence and Men's Accountability

**Olga Persson**, Secretary-General, Unizon, Sweden, and **Peter Söderström**, Co-founder Another development foundation, Sweden

#### Harm Reduction as Dignity-Driven Practice

Vikki Reynolds, PhD RCC activist/therapist, professor, Canada

#### Our Modern History of Mens Violence Against Women Seen Through # Metoo Eyes

Hanna Olsson, psychotherapist, author, honorary Doctorate at University of Umeå, Sweden

#### The 'sex industry': nothing to do with sex, everything to do with violence and vulnerability

**Anna Sander**, co-founder of Talita, **Josephine Appelqvist**, co-founder of Talita, and **Meghan Donevan**, project initiator and manager of Reality Check, Talita, Sweden

Extractive Violence on Indigenous Country: Sami and Aboriginal views on conflicts with extractive industries. Kristina Sehlin MacNeil, Postdoctoral Researcher, Vaartoe - Centre for Sami Reseach, University of Umeå, Sweden

#### Indigenous responses to violence and state racism

**Cathy Richardson**, PhD, Canada, **Ellacarin Blind**, project leader at Swedish Sami National Association, Sweden, **Donny Rikki**, Maori psychotherapist of Ngapuhi and Ngati Paoa descent, New Zeeland, **Ann Maje Raider**, Executive Director of Liard Aboriginal Women's Society, Canada

#### Social Responses to Women in Australia

Angela Hartwig, CEO, Women's Council for Domestic & Family Violence Services, Western Australia

Mana & Mamatowisiwin: Maori and Metis Womens' responses to structural and gender violence Cathy Richardson, PhD, and Donny Rikki, Maori psychotherapist of Ngapuhi and Ngati Paoa descent

#### Same old Story

Linda Coates, PhD, and Allan Wade, PhD, Centre for Response-Based Practice, Canada

**Unizon** gather over 130 women's shelters, young women empowerment centres and other forms of support services working for a gender equal society free from violence.