



Young refugees in Nordic countries

– health, education and employment in an equity perspective

Date and time: 3 December 2020 at 13:00 – 16:00 (CET +2)

Venue: online conference, link will be sent out closer to the start

Registration: https://www.lyyti.fi/reg/Integrationskonferens_6760

This online conference is based on results from the cross-disciplinary Nordic research project Coming of Age in Exile (CAGE) on the health, education and labour market affiliation of refugee young people, and on how the different conditions and efforts in the Nordic countries affect their course of life.

The project objective was to create a better understanding of how health, education and employment jointly play a role in the process of integration of young refugees in the Nordics. By comparisons of the differences between otherwise similar countries the results can identify possible effects of policy decisions and disentangle some of the processes forming the health and welfare trajectories of young refugees.

Unique register data across the Nordic countries will be presented. In addition, analyses of Nordic health reception as well as qualitative studies on educational and labour market policies and practices related to young refugees will be disseminated.

The participants will be invited to discuss the learnings from the results in a national and local perspective and their implications for integration policies for different groups of refugees.

Main topics at the online event:

- Integration of refugees: the interactive dynamics of health, education and employment
- Educational trends, patterns of employment and selected health indicators among young refugees
- A healthy start: A comparative analysis of health reception policies for asylum-seeking and refugee children in the Nordic Countries
- Young refugees' pathways in(to) education – Teacher and student voices: challenges, opportunities, and dilemmas

"Welfare policies related to refugees need to take into account the interrelations between inclusive health care, successful education and entrance into the labour markets"

Professor Allan Krasnik, University of Copenhagen

"We hope the outcomes of these studies can be used to support the key challenge facing all the Nordic countries, if their education systems are to facilitate social cohesion and promote integration of newly arrived refugees into our societies"

Associate Professor Signe Smith Jervelund, University of Copenhagen

"The CAGE-project is an example of the importance of a Nordic cooperation, within the field of integration. Comparisons between countries can contribute to design the best possible efforts for young refugees."

Senior advisor, Kristin Marklund, Nordic Welfare Centre

Speakers



Allan Krasnik

Professor of Public Health at the University of Copenhagen. Since 2015 he has been leading the Nordic project on health and welfare among refugee children and adolescents - CAGE.



Anders Hjern

Paediatrician and professor of social epidemiology of children and youth at Karolinska Institutet and a Senior Researcher at the Centre for Health Equity Studies in Stockholm, Sweden.



Elli Heikkilä

Research Director of the Migration Institute of Finland, co-editor of the international journal of Migration Letters.



Ketil Eide

Professor at University of South-Eastern Norway. His research focus on childhood and migration, well-being of unaccompanied minors and social work with families with a minority background.



Lutine de Wal Pastoor

Research Professor. Her research focuses on the education of young people from refugee backgrounds, with a particular focus on creating and sustaining an inclusive school environment.



Lucie Cerna

Project Leader for Strength through Diversity: Education for Inclusive Societies at the OECD, and a Research Associate at the Centre on Migration, Policy and Society University of Oxford.



Ravi Kohli

Professor of Child Welfare at the University of Bedfordshire, UK. His research focusses on the lives of asylum seeking and trafficked young people in Europe.



Kristin Marklund

Project manager for Nordic co-operation on integration and previously project manager in the field of early intervention for children and families.