

UNIVERSITY OF ICELAND FACULTY OF SOCIAL WORK







VELFERÐARRÁÐUNEYTIÐ Ministry of Welfare

## **Communities coping with crisis** Nordic welfare watch workshop in Iceland 20-22 April 2016

Location: Hótel Grímsborgir in Grímsnes South Iceland, see link: <u>http://grimsborgir.com/</u>

## April 20<sup>th</sup> Wednesday

15:10-16:00 Arrival of flights in Keflavik

- 16:30 **Guided tour from Keflavík airport, guide Dr. Freysteinn Sigmundsson**, Nordic Volcanological Center, Institute of Earth Sciences, University of Iceland, will present us to the **wonders of the Reykjanes peninsula**, i.e. its large lava fields, historical volcanism, numerous hot springs, geothermal energy and rugged landscape while we drive to Selfoss.
- 18:00 **Earthquake Engineering Research Centre.** A visit to the research centre situated in Selfoss. The centre will be presented by **Dr. Sólveig Þorvaldsdóttir**, research engineer at the Centre and a freelance consultant in disaster-related management systems and **Ragnheiður Hergeirsdóttir**, a member of the Icelandic AB and a former mayor of Selfoss, will inform us about the 2008 earthquake in Southern Iceland.
- 20:00 Dinner at Hótel Grímsborgir

## April 21<sup>st</sup> Thursday

Moderator: Merja Rapeli, Ministerial Adviser, Ministry of Social Affairs and Health

- 09:00 Welcome: Guðný Björk Eydal, Professor of Social Work University of Iceland and project leader of NWW
- 09:10 Key note: **Per Lægreid**, Professor of Political Science, University of Bergen: *Organizing for internal security and crisis management: A wicked problem between governance capacity and legitimacy*
- 10:00 **Víðir Reynisson** Chief Inspector, South Iceland Police: *Preparing, responding and building back better. Joint approach of the south Iceland local authorities for more resilient society*
- 10:20 Anna Cantell-Forsbom Service manager, Psychosocial Services, City of Vantaa, Health and Social Welfare: Vantaa municipality's social sector preparedness and the work of social and crisis care emergency center
- 10:40 **Coffee**

Moderator: Carin Björngren Cuadra, Associate Professor of Social Work, Lund University

11:00 **Ziga Friberg**, Project manager, Danish Red Cross: *How to involve civil society in the psychosocial response in disaster and crises situations - examples from Danish Red Cross* 

- 11:20 **Ann Enander**, Docent of Psychology, Swedish Defence University: *Understanding the citizen perspective: challenges for community leaders*
- 11:40 Discussions
- 12:00 Lunch

Moderator: Kristján Sturluson, Director of Administration, Hafnarfjörður municipality

- 13:00 Key note: Dr. **Ivar S. Holand**, Associated professor in Avdeling for næring, samfunn og natur, Nord-Trøndelag University College: *Practical considerations and applications of vulnerability indicators*
- 14:00 **Scenario Workshop**: A week in *Winterland*: How will local social services be affected by and cope with a long-term disruption of everyday life? Taking our point of departure in a scenario describing *Winterland*, a typical Nordic municipality severely stricken by a natural hazard, we wish to encourage a broad, open discussion of the potential interfaces between emergency management and social services. We look forward to use this approach to initiate a hopefully fun and fruitful collaborative effort to share ideas and experiences across borders and disciplines!

Chair: **Rasmus Dahlberg**, PhD Fellow, DEMA and the University of Copenhagen.

- 14:15 Scenario Workshop Part 1
- 15.15 **Coffee**
- 15.45 Scenario Workshop Part 2

Moderator: Lis Montes de Oca, Assistant Professor, VIA Faculty of Education & Social Studies, Aarhus

16.30 Is there a need for a Nordic Welfare Watch? Panel discussion:

Ann Enander, Ivar S. Holand, Víðir Reynisson, Erna Danielson, Docent, Department of Social Sciences, Mid Sweden University, and Tapio Salonen, Professor, Faculty of Health and Society, Malmö University

- 17:00 Closing: Guðný Björk Eydal
- 18:00 Departure to Stokkseyri
- 19:15 Dinner at Fjöruborðið in Stokkseyri
- April 22<sup>nd</sup> Friday
- 09:00 Departure to Reykjavík