

The 4th Digital No-Age Symposium: The good, the bad and the ugly

Georg Sverdrup's Hus UiO Blindern Campus
3:00 pm to 7:20 pm on the 3rd December 2020

Invitation

Why would we need a «Centre for Healthy Ageing» at the University of Oslo, and why should it be an interdisciplinary approach? Key Note Speaker Cass Robert Sunstein: Cass Sunstein FBA is an American legal scholar, particularly in the fields of constitutional law, administrative law, environmental law, and law and behavioral economics. He is also the New York Times best-selling author of «The World According to Star Wars» (2016) and «Nudge» (2008).

Organizers: Evandro Fei Fang, Hilde Loge Nilsen, Jon Storm-Mathisen and Linda Hildegard Bergersen

To address new developments in academia and society we need interdisciplinary research that broadens our perspective and asks the unexpected questions. Our approach seeks to not only gather and get inspired, but most importantly to foster an exchange of mind set.

Registration:

<https://noage100.com/2020/02/25/the-good-the-bad-and-the-ugly/>

Zoom meeting

<https://uio.zoom.us/j/63697550253>

Meeting ID: 636 9755 0253

Program

15:00 Opening remarks by **Linda Hildegard Bergersen**

15:05-15:50 Key note speaker: **Cass R. Sunstein**, Founder and Director of the Program on Behavioral Economics and Public Policy at the Harvard Law School, Harvard University

"How to reward good choices for sustainable ageing"

15:50 -16:00: Q&A

16:00-16:30 **Lene Juel Rasmussen**, Director of the Center of Healthy Aging at the University of Copenhagen

"Why we succeed"

16:30-17:00 **Aasta Marie Bjorvand Bjørkøy**, Head of Research at Department for Linguistics and Scandinavian Studies, University of Oslo
"Ageing and dignity"

17:00-17:30 **Knut Røed**, Frisch Centre, University of Oslo
"Working day and night"

17:30-17:45: Coffee

17:45-18:15 **Tove Pettersen**, Centre for Gender Research, University of Oslo
"Old Age – Simone de Beauvoir's Intersectional Analysis"

18:15-18:45 **Olav Gjelsvik**, Department of Philosophy, Classics, History of Art and Ideas, University of Oslo
"You shall get all you need, but you should not need much"

18:45-19:15 **Jon Storm-Mathisen**, Department of Molecular Medicine, University of Oslo
"How to celebrate 80 years of science. Glutamate and beyond"

19:15 Closing remarks by Tove Pettersen and Linda Hildegard Bergersen (group photo)

Cass R. Sunstein "How to reward good choices for sustainable ageing"

Mini-Biography:

Cass R. Sunstein is currently the Robert Walmsley University Professor at Harvard. He is the founder and director of the Program on Behavioral Economics and Public Policy at the Harvard Law School. In 2018, he received the Holberg Prize from the government of Norway, sometimes described as the equivalent of the Nobel Prize for law and the humanities. From 2009 to 2012, he was Administrator of the White House Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, and after that, he served on the President's Review Board on Intelligence and Communications Technologies and on the Pentagon's Defense Innovation Board. Mr. Sunstein has testified before congressional committees on many subjects, and he has advised officials at the United Nations, the European Commission, the World Bank, and many nations on issues of law and public policy. He serves as an adviser to the Behavioural Insights Team in the United Kingdom

Knut Røed "Working day and night"

Abstract

The Norwegian pension reform in 2011 implied a considerable improvement in work incentives for many elderly workers. How did the workers respond? How much more did they work? Was there a difference in the responses based on prior earnings or socioeconomic status? What can be said about winners and losers? What happened with income inequality? These are among the questions I will address in this presentation, which will be based on recent and ongoing research activities at the Frisch Centre.

Mini-Biography

Knut Røed is Senior Research Fellow at the Ragnar Frisch Centre for Economic Research. He holds a PhD in economics from the University of Oslo (1998). His research interests include labor supply, unemployment, absenteeism, disability, retirement behavior, migration, and public policies aimed at promoting labor market participation. Røed's research has been published in a number of peer-reviewed scientific journals, such as the *Journal of Econometrics*, *Review of Economics and Statistics*, *Journal of Human Resources*, *Journal of Labor Economics*, *Journal of Public Economics*, *Economic Journal*, and the *Journal of the European Economic Association*. He has also participated in a number Norwegian government commissions, offering recommendations on pension systems, disability insurance design, welfare and migration issues, and employment policies.

Tove Pettersen "Old Age – Simone de Beauvoir's Intersectional Analysis"

Abstract:

Freedom and oppression are key themes throughout the philosopher Simone de Beauvoir's entire body of work. Also in *The Coming of Age* (1970), in which Beauvoir puts forward a comprehensive philosophical analysis of the phenomenon of old age, freedom and oppression are central. Based on phenomenology, existentialist ethics and feminist theory, Beauvoir explains how the opportunity to live a good life is restricted by marginalization and discrimination of the elderly, and also the unique existential challenges old age has for the individual. In this lecture Pettersen will demonstrate how Beauvoir in her complex study of old age undertakes an intersectional

analysis by paying attention to multiple axes of challenges related to aging. Pettersen will also discuss why such an intersectional and also interdisciplinary approach to aging is necessary.

Biography:

Tove Pettersen is Professor of Philosophy at the University of Oslo, Centre for Gender Research where she currently is Head of Studies. She specializes in Feminist Philosophy and Feminist Ethics, especially in the Ethics of Care and the Existential Ethics of Simone de Beauvoir. In 2012, she received the Norwegian award "På Kantens-prisen" for her work in feminist philosophy. She also works with topics related to Moral and Political Philosophy, History of Philosophy, and the Philosophy of Ageing. She has published books and several articles within her field, both in English and Norwegian, and her articles have been translated into French and Italian. From 2016-2019 Pettersen was President of The International Simone de Beauvoir Society, and the organization's Chair of the Boards of Directors. She is a member of the Editorial Board of *Simone de Beauvoir Studies*, from 2015-2017 she was on the Academic Board of the Erasmus+ project "Gender and Philosophy: Developing learning and teaching practices to include underrepresented groups" (GAP), and from 2019 Member of The Norwegian Centre on Healthy Aging.