

Abolition

10th annual conference of the
Danish Society for Marxist Studies

Aarhus University
10-11 October 2025

PROGRAMME &
PRACTICAL INFORMATION

Abstracts:



THE 10TH ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF THE DANISH SOCIETY FOR MARXIST STUDIES

09:00

REGISTRATION OPENS

COFFEE AND TEA SERVED

ROOM: STAKLADEN

09:20

WELCOME BY THE ORGANIZING COMMITTEE

ROOM: STAKLADEN

09:30-11:00

MARX & HISTORY

Contribution to a Materialist
Approach to the History of Ideas
Mikkel Flohr

Marx between philosophy of
history and critical
historiography
Lotte List

What is a 'materialist' context?
Magnus Møller Ziegler

ROOM: M2

MOBILIZATION AND STRATEGY

Debts That Can't Be Paid: Don't
Pay UK and the Contradictions of
Capitalist Legality
Charlotte Fraser

Sex worker organizing:
Strategies with, in and against
the state
Emilie Farbæk Johansen

De/imperial World-making: Inter-
Asian Communism and the
Logistical Blockade
Geoffrey Rathgeb Aung

ROOM: PREBEN HORNING-STUEN

11:00-11:30

BREAK

11:30-12:30

M.E. O'BRIEN**INSURGENT CARE AND THE UTOPIAN HORIZON**

ROOM: STAKLADEN

12:30-13:30

LUNCH BREAK

13:30-15:00

CRITICAL RESEARCH & ACADEMIA

The general associative tendency
on speed (abolish
instrumentality)
Signe Leth Gammelgaard

Contemporary Marxist Theory: An
Anthology
*Lotte Schack & Birke J.
Friedländer*

ROOM: MOGENS ZIELER-STUEN

UTOPIA BEYOND THE LAW

Sortition and Social Domination
Bruno Leipold

Towards a Theory of Social
Wealth
Oscar Talbot

Subterranean Utopianism in the
Political Thought of Walter
Rodney
Onni Ahvonen

ROOM: M2

ABOLITION & KINSHIP

Abolishing adoptions: From
coerced child removal to
communal care
Nanna Dahler

Socialize All Labour: A
Hegelian-Feminist Defense of
Family Abolition
Tatiana Llaguno

Abolition and Care in the
Climate Endgame
Mikkel Krause Frantzen

ROOM: PREBEN HORNING-STUEN

15:00-15:30

BREAK

COFFEE AND TEA SERVED IN STAKLADEN

15:30-17:00

SUBJECTIVITIES

Return of the repressed: On why
the abolition of the Freudo-
Marxist programme was a mistake
and why it should be taken up
anew
Martin Hauberg-Lund Laugesen

Abolition and the Subject:
Microresistance or the Great
Refusal
Mariah Wakefield

Deculturalization as the
Abolition of Culture and the
Family from Frantz Fanon to
Carla Lonzi
Frida Sandström

ROOM: MOGENS ZIELER-STUEN

COLONIALISM

Abolition and Emancipation. A
Marxist reflection on
postcolonial theory
Alejandra Juárez González

David Hamilton Jackson and Class
Struggle at the Twilight of the
Danish West Indies
William Banks

Capitalism and the Unfinished
Abolition of Slavery
Ashley Bohrer

ROOM: M2

CARCERAL CAPITALISM

The dyadic commitment of the
abolitionist ethos
Merethe Riggelsen Gjørding

Abolition of International
Criminal Law: A Marxist Critique
Marina Velickovic

Abolition, Accumulation and the
Settler Colonial Carceral State
in Northern Australia
Emily Siena Stephenson

ROOM: PREBEN HORNING-STUEN

17:00-18:00

RECEPTIONCELEBRATION OF THE 10TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE DANISH SOCIETY FOR MARXIST STUDIES

ROOM: STAKLADEN

THE 10TH ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF THE DANISH SOCIETY FOR MARXIST STUDIES

09:15 **REGISTRATION FOR THOSE WHO DID NOT YET REGISTER**
 COFFEE AND TEA SERVED
 ROOM: STAKLADEN

09:30-11:00	TRANSFORMATIVE FUTURES Ecovillages as anti-capitalist laboratories for abolishing and reconfiguring social life? <i>Kristoffer Willert</i> "We Have Never Been Hindu": Contested Imaginations in Non-Western Marxian Thought <i>Abhiraj Goswami</i> 'Deceiving with a Sweet Banana': Women in Trust Territories as Theorists of International Law <i>Nicole Stybnařova</i> ROOM: M2	AESTHETICS The aestheticised prison: Decommissioning, expansion, and abolitionist rupture points in the contemporary Danish prison landscape <i>Veronika Schultz</i> Confronting the world through its living becoming: Art as capitalism's other <i>Anette Svane</i> Against the Inner Life of Great Men: Crisis and Aesthetic Form in Asta Olivia Nordenhof's <i>Djævlebogen</i> <i>Mikkel Nørregaard Jørgensen</i> ROOM: PREBEN HORNING-STUEN
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11:00-11:30 **BREAK**

11:30-12:30 **ASHOK KUMAR**
ABOLISH CAPITAL: DISRUPTING THE LAWS OF MOTION
 ROOM: STAKLADEN

12:30-13:30 **LUNCH BREAK**

13:30-15:00	NATIONAL IMAGINARIES Imagi-Nation: A Marxist Analysis of the Political Imaginary <i>Kristoffer Bayer</i> The Case for Rousseau as a Predecessor of Marxism <i>Andreas Beck Holm</i> At the edge of abolition: Impunity in the aftermath of the 2023 coup-attempt in Brazil <i>Birke J. Friedländer</i> ROOM: MOGENS ZIELER-STUEN	GREEN CAPITAL Socioecological fixes and climate delay <i>Nikolaj Kornbech</i> Abolishing dirty capitalism by the money? The environmental turn in monetary regimes and capital accumulation regimes <i>Louison Cahen-Fourot</i> Capital, Climate, and the Limits of International Law <i>Marie Thøgersen</i> ROOM: M2	FEMINIST ABOLITIONISM Marxist-Feminist Critique of the Femicide Law: Towards Feminist Abolition in the Balkans <i>Jana Kujundžić</i> Isolating connectivity: on the political economy of capitalist loneliness <i>Victor Strazzeri</i> Disrupting Capitalist Legal Subjectivities, Abolishing Accumulation Strategies <i>Suzana Rahde Gerchmann</i> ROOM: PREBEN HORNING-STUEN
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15:00-15:30 **BREAK**
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15:30-17:00	AI ABOLITION Abolish Private Ownership over Large Language Models <i>Tim Christiaens</i> The pivotal moment for AI abolition <i>Denise Utochkin, Ly Lykke Møller & Inchuen Huynh</i> Destroy AI: Techno-abolitionism and communist futures <i>Matthew Cole</i> ROOM: MOGENS ZIELER-STUEN	PROPERTY FORMS The Abolition or Socialization of Property <i>Jacob Blumenfeld</i> Cooperatives as Drivers of Capitalist Agriculture <i>Esben Bøgh Sørensen</i> Our Burning Body: Private Property, Gattungswesen, and the Climate Crisis <i>Jonna Beebe</i> ROOM: M2	CORPORATE ENTREPRENEURSHIP Abolish the Entrepreneur <i>James Rushing Daniel</i> From person to fiction and back again. Law and economics, agency theory and the schizophrenia of corporate personhood <i>Mathias Hein Jessen</i> ROOM: PREBEN HORNING-STUEN
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PRACTICAL INFORMATION

Welcome!

We are thrilled to welcome you to the 10th annual conference of the Danish Society for Marxist Studies! In recent years, we have seen a surge in abolitionist discourse and practice. As the conference program reflects, abolition puts into question a wide range of social forms, including racism, sexism, prisons, the family, the law, the corporation, and the state. We look forward to engaging with these and many other questions throughout two intensive days of insightful presentations, intriguing discussions, and comradely critique.

This year is especially significant, since we will also be celebrating the 10th anniversary of the Danish Society for Marxist Studies.

Conference venue

The conference takes place at Stakbogladen at Aarhus University (Frederik Nielsens Vej 4, 8000 Aarhus). The location is easily reachable by tram and bus from downtown Aarhus.

Conference dinner

The conference dinner on the 10th takes place at 18:30 at Restaurant Thali, Åboulevarden 7, 8000 Aarhus C, 30 minutes' walk from the conference venue. Alternatively, walk to the tram stop Aarhus University/Ringgaden and take the tram four stops to DOKK1.

Post-dinner hangout

After the dinner on the 10th, we encourage you to congregate at Palmehaven (Skovgaardsgade 5C, 8000 Århus - also called "Godsbanen"), a bar area which is run by one of the founders and previous members of the Danish Society for Marxist Studies.

WIFI

Wi-fi is available across the premises with 'Eduroam'.

Lunch options

There is a range of supermarkets in the surrounding area, as well as a university cafeteria which serves warm lunch Friday (11.00-13.30) and brunch Saturday (10-13.00) opposite of the venue.

The conference is organized by the Danish Society of Marxist Studies (SMS) in collaboration with Frida Sandström and hosted by the School of Culture and Society at Aarhus University. The steering committee of SMS currently consists of the following members:

Mikkel Flohr
Søren Bøgh Sørensen
Lotte List
Søren Mau
Magnus Møller Ziegler
Signe Leth Gammelgaard
Charlotte Cator
Markus Christian Hansen
Dominique Routhier
Jeannette Søgaard Lie
Marie Thøgersen
Marie Louise Krogh



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