Summer Session in Roosta,
Estonia 2019 July 28th – August 4th

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NSU Newsletter 1 2019

Dear NSU participant, welcome to a new year with the Nordic Summer University. This newsletter contains information about the Summer Session 2019 including:

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Dates and location

The Summer Session 2019 will take place from 28 July to 4 August in Roosta Holiday Village in Estonia. Roosta is a holiday resort that houses seminars and conferences. The resort is located at the seashore, 39 kilometres from Haapsalu and 115 kilometres from Tallinn. There are bus connections between Tallinn and Haapsalu that take two to three hours. The nearest airport is Tallinn Airport (TLL). NSU will also arrange bus transfers from the city center of Tallinn and Tallinn airport to Roosta on 28th of July.

Keynotes

One of the keynotes is Dr Anna Reading from the UK. Information about her research can be found on the following link: https://www.kcl.ac.uk/people/person?id=1784ff1c-5df7-4f93-8349-401faa522b1f The other keynote is to be confirmed.

Application and registration

The application and registration process for the Summer Session has two steps: (1) Send an application to the coordinators for acceptance. Prospective participants should first choose a study circle, and then contact the coordinators of the chosen study circle by email for acceptance. The calls for papers for the study circles will be published March 15th at http://nordic.university/study-circles/. The deadline for sending in applications is the 1st of May. The participants will be notified of the result by 15th of May. The second step (2) consists of registration and payments. All registration and payment will be done electronically. More information will be sent out in the next newsletter on the 1st of April. The registration and payment period closes on the 1st of June.

Scholarship and grant program

NSU offers two forms of funding options for which the participants at the Summer Session can apply. The scholarship is exclusively for Nordic and Baltic students, the grant if for anyone in need for support in order to participate. In addition to that, we also offer a West-Nordic and Baltic travel grant. For more information, see NSU's support page: http://support.nsuweb.org/arrkom/scholarship-and-grant-program/. The application period for scholarships and grants opens on the 15th of March.

Presentation of the new ARRKOM group

Arrkom 2019 consists of four amazingly beautiful persons: Inta Balode (Latvia), Krista Ojasaar (Estonia), Anna Luther (Estonia), and Anssi Hynynen (Finland). They can be contacted at arrkom2019@gmail.com.
Study programme

Something new for this year is that the study programme is extended to a total of nine circles! For more information about the circles, see NSU's official homepage: http://nordic.university/study-circles/.

Calls for Youth Leaders and mentor for the Children's Circle

We are looking for several youth leaders to lead the Children's Circle and one person to mentor the Youth Leaders. The application period is from 1st to 15th of April. For more information about the tasks and where to submit the application see: http://support.nsuweb.org/children-leader/.

News from the Board

The beginning of the year is always a busy period for the board, as the annual report and the financial report of the previous year need to be written, audited, and sent to the main funding body of NSU -- the Nordic Council of Ministers (NCM). You can find the annual report on the homepage of the NSU website: http://nordic.university/.

This year we worked to make the financial report even more complete by adding information of which activities were funded by the different sources of income. We’ve also been collaborating with the accountant, auditors and NCM to give a fuller overview of all the sources of income that make NSU possible. In 2017 we started documenting the in-kind volunteer working hours by the coordinators, Arrkom and the board members. We have also introduced a new method to document the in-kind contributions form institutions that offer venues for NSU activities as these are often offered for free. This way we hope for 2019 to also show this as income in the financial report. On 15th of March, a delegation from the Board will meet with the Nordic Council of Ministers to present the financial and annual report and sign the contract for the funding of this year, based on the budget we presented last November.

We hope to see many of you in Roosta, Estonia in our summer session!

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