



## **Finnish Social Pedagogy Conference 2021 – Call for Practical Workshops**

The annual Finnish Social Pedagogy Conference will be held online on **March 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> 2021**. This year's theme is "*Towards anti-racist social pedagogy*". Anti-racism is an active form of action against racism in our everyday environments, in the society and in the world. The conference provides us opportunities to identify and reflect on different forms of racism and to look for ways to resist and reduce racism in our encounters with others at work, in research, in civic engagements, and in life in general. The conference consists of invited speakers' lectures, research presentation sessions and practical workshops presenting practices and working methods in the field of anti-racist education and social pedagogical work.

### *Practical Workshops on Working Methods and Practices*

The practical workshops introduce interesting practices in the field of social pedagogy and education, presented by the practitioners themselves. This year, we would like to invite especially practitioners working with themes of anti-racism, developing tools for anti-racist practices or on other ways dealing with anti-racism as an issue, to organize workshops. In a workshop the practitioners can present their work and working methods, while also encouraging workshop participants to reflect on their own relationship (attitudes etc.) to racism and on their opportunities to do anti-racist work. The workshops should include shared reflection and even active methods, if possible with the limitations of an online environment. All the workshops will be organized on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> of March 2021 from 14:30 to 16:00h. The length of the workshop is 90 minutes, which also includes a general discussion. The workshop can be either in Finnish, Swedish, or English language.

If you are interested in organizing a workshop, send an abstract of not more than 300 words (including contact information) by **Friday 12<sup>th</sup> of February 2021** to Elina Nivala at [elina\(at\)nivala.net](mailto:elina(at)nivala.net).

**Finnish Society of Social Pedagogy welcomes everyone to attend the conference!**

For more information, please visit <http://www.sosiaalipedagogiikka.fi/finnish-social-pedagogy-conference-2021/> or contact Elina Nivala, president of the Finnish Society of Social Pedagogy at [elina\(at\)nivala.net](mailto:elina(at)nivala.net).