

## PRACTICAL INFORMATION

The symposium is from Sunday evening 30 October to Wednesday noon 2 November 2016 at

### Kursuscenter BETHESDA

Rømersgade 17, København K.

In addition, participants are invited to St. Martin's Church (Martinskirken), Martinsvej 4, for evening prayer and fellowship Monday and Tuesday at 9:15 p.m. (20 min. by foot or by Metro).

### Registration before 1 October 2016

to Karsten Christensen, [kac@km.dk](mailto:kac@km.dk)

or Leif G. Jensen, [leifgjensen@vivit.dk](mailto:leifgjensen@vivit.dk).

Indicate whether you wish meals at Bethesda.

### Participant fee 850,- DKK (members 700,-).

NELA's account in Denmark: 96820000886122

IBAN account number: DK1796820000886122

BIC-code: NRNEDK21

Pay with registration or in cash with DKK on arrival.

(Annual membership dues for 2016: 300 DKK.)

### NELA is offering meals at Bethesda.

\* Price for all meals: DKK 350 (entire package)

\* Price in DKK for individual meals / coffee (see table)

Order with registration or at least one day ahead.

PRICES	drink / fruit	lunch	drink / fruit	Supper	coffee / tea
30.10.					25,-
31.10.	25,-	50,-	25,-	60,-	25,-
01.11.	25,-	50,-	25,-	60,-	25,-
02.11.	25,-	50,-			

Note: Breakfast is not offered.

## SUGGESTIONS for lodging

**HOTEL-JØRGENSEN**, Rømersgade 11, København K

Regular price for 1 person from DKK 531 incl. breakfast.

Distance to Bethesda: 2 min. by foot.

**IBSENS HOTEL**, Vendersgade 23, København K

Regular price for 1 person from DKK 930 + breakfast.

Distance to Bethesda: 5 min. by foot.

**CABINN Scandinavia Hotel**, Vodroffsvej 55, Frederiksberg.

Regular price for 1 person from DKK 495 + breakfast.

Distance to Bethesda: 17 min. By foot or Metro from Forum

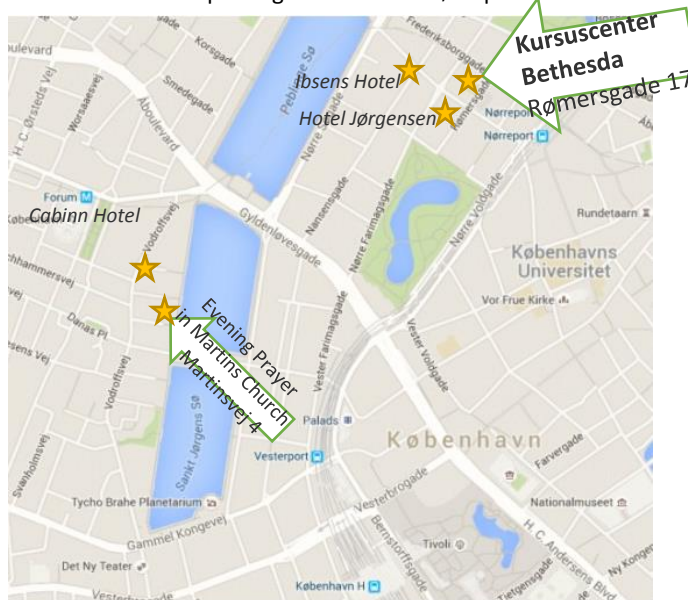
Metro til Nørreport Metro (3 min.) + 7 min by foot.

## DIRECTIONS

To Kursuscenter Bethesda:

\* Metro from CPH Airport to Nørreport Metro Station

\* S-train from Copenhagen Central to Nørreport St.



## INFO about NELA

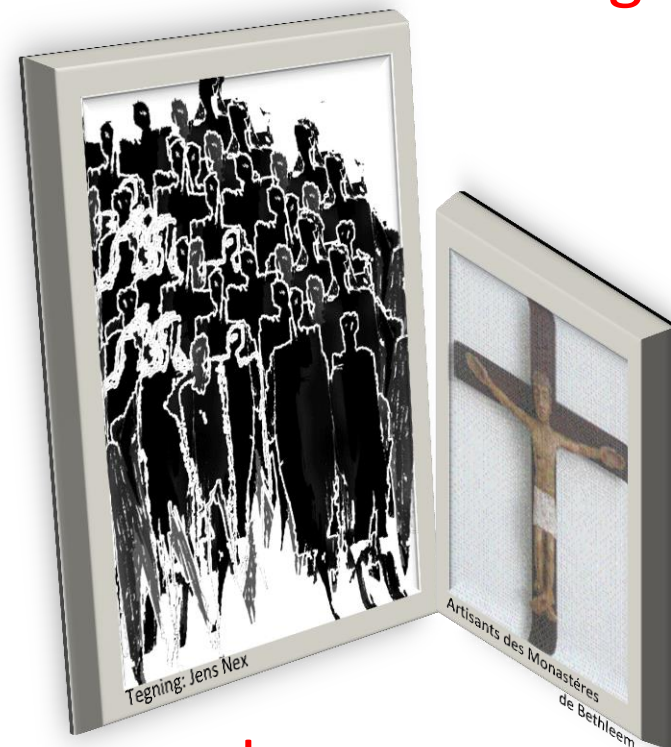
North European Luther Academy was founded in August 1998. It arranges an annual theological symposium in Northern Europe.

The members of the board of NELA commit themselves to the following statements of foundations: Our mission is, on the foundation of The Holy Scripture and in faithfulness to the Evangelical-Lutheran confession (The Book of Concord), to pursue dynamic theological research and education that rediscovers treasures in the theological heritage of our Churches and confronts the biblical truths with today's questions.

See more on NELA at <http://www.fbb.nu/om-fbb/nela>

## Welcome to NELA-symposium!

# Christian Faith encountering



# contemporary migrations

## NELA 2016

Symposium arranged by  
North European Luther Academy  
30 Oct.-2 Nov. 2016 in Copenhagen

## Christian Faith encountering contemporary migrations

*The refugees and asylum seekers who now are knocking at our gates raise many important issues. How can we reconcile hospitality with the desire to preserve our own cultural identity? How can we meet people of another faith with respect at the same time we want to bring them the gospel of Jesus? Can this encounter yield enhanced consciousness of what cannot be surrendered in our own values in a way that contributes to integration? Or do we risk that tensions and contradictions become greater than what Western, secular democracies can tolerate? These are some of the questions we want to take up in this conference in a manner which stimulates informed and creative debate.*

## PROGRAM

### SUNDAY 30 October

Arrive at Bethesda starting 6 PM (kl. 18.00)

19.00: Welcome and presentation

**19.30: "Christology as Islam Criticism",** Rune Söderlund

20.30: Coffee / tea

**21.00: Evening Prayer** (in Bethesda, LGJ)

### MONDAY 31 October

**09.00: Morning devotions** (in Bethesda, PB)

**09.30: "Two-Realm doctrine in the tension between democracy and secularism",** Asger Chr. Højlund

10.45: Coffee / tea/ fruit

**11.15: "Bible and Koran (I)",** Jørgen Sejergaard

12.30: Lunch

**14.30: "Bible and Koran (II)",** Jørgen Sejergaard

15.30: Coffee / tea/ fruit

**16.00: "The Catechism: Forming a People",**  
Anders Jarlert

**17.15: NELA's annual meeting**

18.30: Supper

**19.30: "The Ecclesia in Isaiah",** Jan Bygstad

20.30: Coffee / tea

**21.15: Evening Prayer** (in Martinskirken, Martinsvej 4)

### TUESDAY 1 November

**09.00: Morning devotions** (in Bethesda, PB)

**09.30: "Dialogue, Christianity – Islam",**  
Jesper Høgenhaven

10.45: Coffee / tea/ fruit

**11.15: " Persecution under the crescent moon and scimitar",** Kari Fure

12.30: Lunch

**14.30: "Luther on Islam",** Knut Alfsvåg

15.30: Coffee / tea/ fruit

**16.00-17.00: Panel discussion**

18.30: Supper

**19.30: "Self-preservation - a biblical virtue?",**  
Fredrik Sidenvall

20.30: Coffee / tea

**21.15: Evening Prayer** (in Martinskirken, Martinsvej 4)

### Wednesday 2 November

**09.00: Morning devotions** (in Bethesda, PB)

**09.30: "A Question of Peace or Jihad? The Abrogation Principle in the Quran",** Robert H. Bennett

10.45: Coffee / tea

**11.15: "Pastoral experiences with converts from Islam",** Jan Bygstad

**12.15: Conclusion by NELA's Chairman**

12.30: Lunch and departure

**Morning Prayer 9.00** with Pastor Peter Berthelsen,  
Korning in Kursuscenter Bethesda.

**Evening Prayer 21.15** with Pastor Leif G. Jensen,  
Aarhus. NB: Sunday evening in Bethesda; Monday and Tuesday evenings in Martinskirken, Martinsvej 4, with fellowship and relaxation in the church (20 min. walk from Bethesda).

**Lectures are held in Scandinavian languages or English. Simultaneous translation available from Scandinavian languages to English.**

## LECTURERS



**Robert H. Bennett**

*Executive Director Luther Academy and professor, Concordia Theological Seminary, Ft. Wayne*

**Kari Fure**

*journalist at the newspaper Dagen in Norway*



**Asger Chr. Højlund**

*professor dr. Theol., Menighedsfakultetet, Aarhus*

**Jesper Høgenhaven**

*professor at Copenhagen University*



**Anders Jarlert**

*professor at Lund University*

**Jørgen Sejergaard**

*pastor i Karlebo Parish, Kokkedal*



**Rune Söderlund**

*docent at Lund University*

**Knut Alfsvåg**

*professor dr. theol. at VID Scientific Institute, Misjonshøgskolen Campus in Stavanger (NELA board member)*



**Jan Bygstad**

*pastor in DELK, Bergen Congregation (NELA's Chairman)*

**Frederik Sidenvall**

*rector at L.M. Engstrøms Gymnasium, Gothenburg and Johan Movingers Gymnasium, Stockholm (NELA board member)*



## NELA Board Members

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