

## **OTSEM 2024: 23-25 AUGUST 2024 AT SANDBJERG GODS**

Dear OTSEM friends,

The next annual meeting of OTSEM is approaching and we'd like to inform you about various practicalities and remind you of the timeline over the next couple of months.

### TIME AND PLACE

This year's OTSEM meeting will take place on **August 23-25 at Sandbjerg Gods**, a manor house (turned into a conference centre) donated by Karen Blixen's family to Aarhus University (see <https://www.sandbjerg.dk/en-gb>). Sandbjerg Gods is located in the southern part of Denmark some 6 km from the centre of the nearest town called Sønderborg.

The conference programme will begin on Friday, August 23rd at 16:30, but it's possible to arrive at Sandbjerg Gods starting at 14:00 and check-in after 15:00. The conference will end on Sunday, August 25th at 13:30.

### TRAVEL INSTRUCTIONS

All conference participants are responsible for organising and paying for their own travel to and from Sandbjerg Gods. There are different ways of reaching the site.

- First, while we generally support the use of public transport, the easiest option is to drive one's own car (hopefully filled with other OTSEM participants!) to Sandbjerg Gods; please check Googlemap or see <https://www.sandbjerg.dk/en-gb/contact/find-us>.
- Second, one can fly to Sønderborg and then take a taxi to Sandbjerg Gods (c. 12.5 km).
- Third, one can take a train to Sønderborg railway station (e.g., from Copenhagen, Copenhagen Airport or Germany) and then take a taxi to Sandbjerg Gods (c. 6 km).

You can buy your Danish railway train tickets here: <https://www.dsb.dk/> Please note that there are different types of tickets; Orange and OrangeFri tickets are often considerably cheaper than ordinary tickets, but they cannot be exchanged or refunded.

Taxi prices in Denmark are higher than they are in some other European countries, but they should not be too bad, especially if one shares the taxi drive with others, as we encourage you to do. You can estimate the price of your trip e.g. here: <https://dantaxi.dk/english/>

However, if the price of a taxi from Sønderborg airport/railway station is impossible for you, please email Rosanne Liebermann ([rosanne.liebermann@cas.au.dk](mailto:rosanne.liebermann@cas.au.dk)), and we'll see if there is anything we can do to help you.

### CONFERENCE FEE AND REGISTRATION

We have received some support from the Aarhus University Research Foundation and Carlsberg Foundation for which we are grateful. The conference fee includes accommodation and all meals during the conference. The price is 1404 kr. (or c. 190 Euros) for PhD students and postdocs and 1904 kr. (or c. 257 Euros) for senior members (lecturers and professors who will serve as respondents). You'll receive a **separate email with a registration link, which is expected to open on May 1st, 2024.**

Please note that we can guarantee spots for only those who indicated their interest in the event in early 2024 (please see the preliminary list of participants below this message), and please note that **you must register on May 15th at the latest** in order to retain your spot. However, if you'd like to attend this year's OTSEM but didn't indicate your interest in early 2024, please email Rosanne Liebermann ([rosanne.liebermann@cas.au.dk](mailto:rosanne.liebermann@cas.au.dk)), who will compile a "waiting list" of interested people to be contacted after May 16th in case there are cancellations and we can welcome others than those who have already reserved a spot.

In addition, please note that the accommodation facilities at Sandbjerg Gods are limited, which means that most PhD students will need to share a room with another PhD student. However, we may be able to offer, based on actual need, a few rooms to PhD students who for one reason or another cannot share a room. If you are a PhD student who wishes not to share a room, please write about your situation to Rosanne Liebermann ([rosanne.liebermann@cas.au.dk](mailto:rosanne.liebermann@cas.au.dk)). You should also contact Rosanne if you wish to share your room with a particular person. Please inform Rosanne about these needs on May 15th at the latest.

### ABSTRACT AND PAPER SUBMISSIONS

All the registered PhD students and postdocs who will present a paper are expected to send their titles and a brief abstract (max. 300 words) to Gillian Glass ([rgglass@cas.au.dk](mailto:rgglass@cas.au.dk)) by **23:59 CET on May 31st, 2024** at the latest. Please use the subject line: "OTSEM 2024 Title and Abstract". We will then use the abstracts to plan the programme and to find suitable respondents and chairs for each paper.

The deadline for submitting the actual papers, which should not be longer than 6500 words (excl. footnotes and bibliography), will be by **23:59 CET on July 23rd, 2024**. The presenter is expected to 1) send their paper directly to the respondent in an email; and 2) upload their paper to the OTSEM website, where it will be shared with all meeting participants. NB: it's very important to observe this deadline so that respondents have sufficient time to read papers and to be in touch with presenters before the meeting, as they are expected to do.

### COMMUNICATIONS

We have created an OTSEM 2024 Whatsapp Group. To join the group, [please use this link](#). This group can be used before, during, and after the conference. This Whatsapp group is intended for coordinating shared taxis between travellers from different institutions, letting people know that a jacket was left somewhere, and such things. The OTSEM organisers will **not** be regularly monitoring the chat.

### MILESTONES IN SUMMARY

*Registration:* please register online on May 15th at the latest

*Abstracts:* please email to Gillian Glass ([rgglass@cas.au.dk](mailto:rgglass@cas.au.dk)) by **23:59 CET on May 31st, 2024** at the latest

*Papers:* please send to the respondent and upload to the OTSEM website on July 23rd at the latest

We hope this information helps you with planning your trip, but please do not hesitate to contact Rosanne Liebermann ([rosanne.liebermann@cas.au.dk](mailto:rosanne.liebermann@cas.au.dk)) if you have any questions. We are looking forward to the conference and welcoming you all to Denmark!

Kind regards,

The OTSEM team at Aarhus University (Anat, Eelco, Elisa, Gillian and Rosanne)

## **APPENDIX: THE LIST OF PARTICIPANTS WHO ARE GUARANTEED ATTENDANCE**

### **Seniors (professors or lecturers):**

1. Elisa Uusimäki, Aarhus
2. Rosanne Liebermann, Aarhus
3. Jesper Høgenhaven, Copenhagen
4. Frederik Poulsen, Copenhagen
5. Suzanna Millar, Edinburgh
6. Reinhard Gregor Kratz, Göttingen
7. Reinhard Müller, Göttingen
8. Corinna Körting, Hamburg
9. Jutta Jokiranta, Helsinki
10. Christoph Berner, Kiel
11. Susanne Rudnig-Zelt, Kiel
12. Anna Zerneck, Kiel
13. Paul Joyce, King's College London
14. Joan Taylor, King's College London
15. Ola Wikander, Lund
16. Blaženka Scheuer, Lund
17. Kristin Joachimsen, MF-Oslo
18. Terje Stordalen, Oslo
19. Anne Katrine de Hemmer Gudme, Oslo
20. Urmas Nommik, Tartu
21. Lotta Valve, Åbo Akademi

### **Postdocs:**

1. Gillian Glass, Aarhus
2. Alexiana Fry, Copenhagen
3. Kacper Ziemba, Copenhagen
4. Kasper Siegismund, Copenhagen
5. Martijn Naaijer, Copenhagen
6. Melissa Sayyad Bach, Copenhagen

7. Peter Atkins, Edinburgh
8. Marcel Krusche, Hamburg
9. Marika Pulkkinen, Helsinki
10. Topias Tanskanen, Åbo Akademi

**PhD-students:**

1. Anat Shapiro, Aarhus
2. Anja Smedstrup Christensen, Oslo
3. Pablo de Lima, Cambridge
4. Robert Walker, Cambridge
5. Lucie Perez, Copenhagen
6. Rae Fujimori, Edinburgh
7. Elizabeth Ruth Givan, Edinburgh
8. Luis Quinones Roman, Edinburgh
9. Martial Bonvillain, Edinburgh
10. Karen Preston, Edinburgh
11. Miriam Uetrecht-Krakow, Göttingen
12. Henrieke Körner, Hamburg
13. Iida Huitula, Helsinki
14. Ronja Koch, Kiel
15. Louisa Schmacke, Kiel
16. Natasha Jesson, King's College London
17. Alex-David Baldi, King's College London
18. Rebecca White, King's College London
19. Yue-Chi Yau, King's College London
20. Sara Järlemyr, Lund
21. Solvår Ask Isene, MF-Oslo
22. Kristin Klaus, Tartu
23. Alice Volkonski, Tartu
24. Simon Johansson, Åbo Akademi
25. Pasi Schultz, Åbo Akademi