

# Nordic Committee for Human Rights Symposium

## 2019

**Theme of the Symposium:**

**Compulsory care of children.  
Gross violations of Family Rights in the Nordic welfare  
states**

**Symposiets föreläsare**



**Mads Adenas, Law professor, Oslo University, Norway**

Mads Adenas is Professor at the Faculty of Law at Oslo University. His CV is very long. He is also involved in issues related to social work, child protection and social policy, including the Child Welfare Service and the intentions of politicians and officials with - and responsibility for - the consequences for the children concerned, their families and society.

Please see: [Presentation av MadsAdenas](#)



**Dag Sverre Aamodt, Sem, Norway**

Dag Sverre Aamodt, is a retired Norwegian lawyer.

He worked as a lawyer in Sandefjord from 1988. Before that, he worked within the Police Force. His professional experience as both police and lawyer has given him profound knowledge of the Norwegian child protection services, Barnevernet.

Dag Sverre Aamodt is now retired, but he continues to criticise Barnevernet and work for changes in the Norwegian system for child removals and foster home placements.

Please read: [En advokats erfaringer med barnevernet](#) (A lawyer's experiences with the Norwegian CPS)



**Steven Bennett, Human Rights activist and author, Austria**

Steven Bennett discovered the abuses being committed by the Barnevernet in Norway when he was sent a Petition to sign. He has authored the book, *Stolen Childhood*, which is spread all over the world to raise public opinion against the Norwegian child care system.

Please see: [Stolen childhood. Interview](#)



### **Rune Fardal, Human Rights activist and film maker, Norway**

Rune Fardal has worked with human rights violations in the Norwegian child welfare and the Courts since the 1990's and has had a special focus on expert psychologists and their lack of knowledge. Through the Family Channel, Facebook TV, he has interviewed hundreds of families and children who tell about the public abuse they have suffered. He has been to Poland, Dubai, Spain and interviewed families who have fled from Norway, he has interviewed families all over Norway and children "on the run" from Barnevernet. Rune Fardal has had meetings with the Norwegian Minister for Children and the State Children's Services' Buf Director. He has participated in speeches at a number of demonstrations and conferences, both in Norway and abroad, where the theme has been the failure of the Norwegian Child Welfare Service. He has studied psychology for several years with a focus on narcissism and psychopathy, and he published a Textbook on the subject in 2006, "Psychopathy and psychological defense mechanisms".

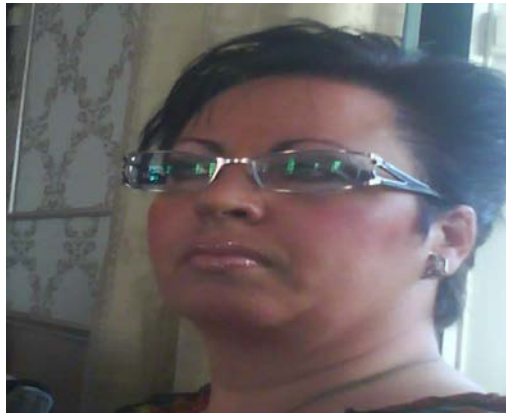
Please see: Familjekanalen



### **Ruby Harrold-Claesson, lawyer, Sweden**

Ruby Harrold-Claesson is a lawyer and chairman of NKMR.

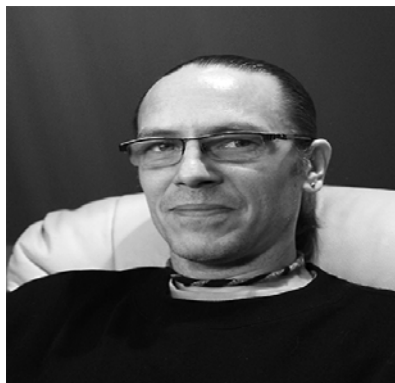
She works with civil law, especially family law and the forced disposal of children. As chair of the NKMR, she has been invited to give lectures around Sweden and in many European countries, New Zealand and Jamaica. She has won three cases in the European Court of Justice, two cases where she was assistant lawyer for NKMR's founder, lawyer and the medicine licentiate, Siv Westerberg, and a case where she was the sole legal agent. She is amazed at how the magistrates in the Swedish courts can accept to violate Sweden's constitution, the laws governing the nation and also neglect precedents from the European Court of Human Rights, while Sweden claims to be the Bastion for Human Rights.



**Åsa Harryson, parent and author, Linköping, Sweden.**

Åsa Harryson is a parent and writer. Her two sons were forcibly taken away, placed in foster homes and became criminals. Åsa Harryson has written the book, "The fight for Sweden: Sweden's moment 22!" in which she has described the abuses to which the social services expose children. She has also written to numerous law enforcement agencies and state auditors with a view to effecting a change in the compulsory care of children.

She is very committed to compulsory care issues, the policy behind the Law, and the politicians' and the social workers' intentions with - and responsibility for - the consequences for the children, their families and the society.



**Christer Johansson, Gotland, Sweden**

Christer Johansson is an alternative technician, photographer, musician and designer. He is also the father of Domenic Johansson, the child who was abducted from a Turkish jetliner on June 24, 2009, by the Gotland social services, known as The Johansson case.

For more information Please see:

[Gotlandsfallet: Sjuåringen hämtades med polispådrag från flygplanet](#)

and

[The Domenic Johansson Case: Home schooled boy snatched from plane in Sweden.](#)

Also:

[The Domenic Johansson Case: India's media awake](#)



### **Madeleine Johansson, Lawyer, Gothenburg, Sweden**

Madeleine Johansson works with civil law, family law and compulsory state care of children.

She is a board member, the secretary, and special resource in the NCHR.

Madeleine Johansson is a strong defender of children's and families' human rights and she was part of the delegation which travelled to the European Parliament's Petitions Committee in mid-April 2016 for the presentation of the [Petition](#).

When time permits, Madeleine Johansson participates in societal debates.

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