

# **CHILDREN AND YOUTH AT RISK (CYAR)**

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# Introduction of the speakers



# Pål Christian Bergstrøm

Sociologist, Director General of the Regional Office for Children, Youth and Family Affairs Northern Norway, the chair of the Steering committee of the Barents cooperation programme "Children and Youth At Risk 2008 - 2015". Has participated in the Norwegian-Russian bilateral cooperation programme om children in conflict with law included in the cooperation agreements between the Ministries of Justice of Norway and Russia for 2010-2012 and 2013-2015. Coordinates the collaboration on behalf of the Norwegian Ministry for Children, Equality and Social inclusion. Since 2000 has been working with Russia in the realm of children and youth at risk.



### Ole Andreas Lindeman

Studied at the Navy Academy in Bergen, as well as at the University of Tromsø, where he studied political science. In 1995 – 1996, Lindeman studied Russian language at the University of Oslo and in 1996 – 1998 – French in Paris.

After postgraduate studies of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Norway Lindeman held a position at the Embassy in Kiev in 1994, followed by the Embassy in Paris and Moscow. Since 2002, he worked at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in Oslo, including the period of temporary membership of the UN Security Council.

In 2011, he was a senior advisor on energy issues in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Norway, and later - the head of the government program on energy and climate, including renewable energy and energy efficiency. Since September 2013 Lindeman has been serving as a Consul General of Norway in Murmansk.



# **Boris Kogan**

In 1972, graduated from Murmansk State Pedagogical Institute. Has been holding the position of Ombudsman for Children's Rights in the Murmansk region since February 17th, 2011. In the period of employment has been engaged in ensuring operating conditions of about 200 local government agencies, including innovative ones. Organized the municipal network of orphanages, institute of foster families. Ensured the protection of the rights of minors in the city of Murmansk. Has a deep insight in the existing problems of social rehabilitation of children deprived of parental care. Was on several occasions awards with state and departmental awards. The Honored Teacher of the Russian Federation.



### Willy-Tore Mørch

Doctor of psychology, specialist in clinical psychology, Professor at University of Tromsø, Faculty of Health Sciences, Regional Center for Child and Youth Mental Health and Child Welfare (RKBU) North Norway. Member of the Children Ombudsmann's board for the prevention of criminality (2002). Honorary spokesperson for Adults for children (Voksne for barn) since 2008. Leader of The Children ombudsman's advisory board 2008 – 2012. Since 1999, Professor Mørch has been in charge of the Norwegian Incredible Years and since 2008 he has participated in the implementation of Incredible years in Russia.



# Elena Vorobyeva

Psychotherapist. Since 2005 Elena Vorobyeva has been working with the programme "Incredible Years". In 2007, she received a certificate of a group leader, in 2011 – a certificate of a mentor that qualified her to conduct training seminars for new group leaders on the program "Incredible Years".

Within the programme "Children and Youth At Risk", Elena Vorobyeva has been solely responsible for training group leaders, professional follw-ups and certification of super-trainers in Karelia, Murmansk and Murmansk region, and Arkhangelsk Oblast and Komi. Work on the programme "Incredible Years" is now being conducted in 40 centers in the Northwest Russia.



### Mervi Heikkinen

Doctor, project manager and a post-doctoral researcher in the Women's and Gender Studies research group at the University of Oulu. 14 years of hands-on experience on national and international mainly European research, development and education projects related to gender equality promotion in education and labor market, gender equality and diversity planning, gender desegregation, gender equality work within organisations, gender and sexual violence and its prevention, sexual harassment and its prevention. Her research is concerned with how gendered and sexualized bodies take shape within organizations throughout a lifespan and how these bodies are regulated with organizational policies; and how violence and a threat of violence shape ones' understanding about self and the development of one's capabilities within various organizations and in everyday life; as well as possibilities of education to cultivate compassion.



# **Eilif Torgeir Norvang**

A professional social worker and trained family therapist. In 2009 completed his master thesis "Caught by The Stories" on the topic of how therapists in the psychiatric field integrate people's traditional comprehension and explanations about psychiatric diseases in their therapies. A comparative study from two indigenous societies, Sami and Aborigines. Has been working in the field of child care, drug abuse, child psychiatry and for the last 20 years at the family therapy office in Karasjok (Norway). Since 2010, is affiliated at the Regional Sami resource centre for Sami culture and assistance to Sami families.



#### Elena Dunaeva

Higher education in law. Elena has long executed the tasks of the advisor to the Deputy Governor of the Arkhangelsk region on Social Affairs and the deputy chairman of the regional commission on minors and protection of their rights. Elena has also represented the Arkhangelsk region in the Steering committee of the programme "Children and Youth At Risk". Methodologist at the centre "Nadezhda" in Arkhangelsk since March 2015. Coordinates the implementation of reconciliation programs in criminal cases involving minors in the Arkhangelsk region as a member of the Russian-Norwegian project group on interagency cooperation on prevention of crime and reintegration of minor offenders in the Barents region from the Arkhangelsk region



### Knut Gundersen

Professor at Diakonhjemmet University College, Sandnes (Norway) and the president in PREPSEC International, an international network organization covering eight programs for training social competence. Gundersen has contributed in eight scientific articles and written several books and book chapters including developing programs like Social Perception Training and Problem Solving Training. Currently he is working on a Scandinavian version of Aggression Replacement Training. Professor Gundersen has presented at several national and international congresses in 14 different countries and has been one of the key persons involved in the training and implementation of ART in Norway, Iceland, Finland, Denmark and Russia. He has been working within the programme "Children and Youth At Risk" since 2007, being responsible for dissemination of ART in the four regions of North West Russia. Thus he has visited Russia 30 times and spent altogether more than half a year there during the last 7 years.



### Tatiana Egorova

Head of the Barents office for Indigenous peoples in Murmansk since 2012 and a secretary working for indigenous peoples in the Barents Region. Tatiana has extensive experience of project cooperation, and has been involved in many indigenous projects across borders in Lappland and the Barents region in general. Tatiana speaks fluent Norwegian, Swedish, Russian and English, and has studied at the Pedagogical University in Murmansk.



## **Anja Kristine Salo**

Indigenous Adviser at Norwegian Barentssekretariatet and Secretariat Working Group on indigenous people since 2012. Before that, Anja worked as a journalist in the foreign department of the Norwegian newspaper Aftenposten (2011-2012) and two years as a media and cultural programs at the Norwegian Embassy in Moscow (2008- 2010). She has studied Russian Studies at the University of Tromsø and journalism at Oslo and Akershus University College of Applied Sciences.



### Linda Kråkenes

Candidate of Law. Graduated the University of Bergen in 1992Worked in Vadsø municipality until on January 1, 1998 she was offered a position at the Office of the County Governor of Finnmark. Since September 1, 2014, Linda has been an acting director for the health and social department.



# Aljona Chernova

A senior methodologist at the state organization for social services of the Arkhangelsk region "Social Advisory Centre". Pedagog-psychologist. Work experience in social institutions for more than ten years, among them with children in a difficult life situation and their families. In 2012, she completed a training course in the programme "ART - Aggression Replacement Training" and was certifies as an ART-treiner. In 2013, got training in Family ART. In 2014, she completed training and the master trainer certification process. During the 2014 participated in the organization and implementation of followup workshops for professionals trained in the ART programme. In October 2014, took part in the inter-regional seminar - meeting in Veliky Novgorod (Russia), presenting the experience of implementing social technologies for prevention of aggressive behavior in the Arkhangelsk region on the example of the introduction of technology ART.





### Irina Khanasiuk

Doctor of psychology, specialist in clinical psychology, Professor at University of Coordinator of the project «Family Group Conferences» at the non-governmental educational institution of the advanced training for adults «Children Placement Support Center». Graduated Moscow State Social University. Qualified psychologist, teacher of psychology. A member of European FGC Network. An authorized trainer on the «Family Group Conferences» method on the territory of North-West Russia. Participant of all-Russian seminars, round tables, conferences for informing about FGC method and disseminating it.



### **Karolina Banul**

Researcher at the Barents Institute and a PhD candidate at UiT the Arctic University of Norway. Trained as political scientist and geographer with a specialization in Geographic Information System. Her research interests within those fields include: regional and urban development, using GIS in planning and decision-making support, science – policy interface. She is interested in socio-economic processes in the Arctic, in the context of global processes and local conditions. Banul is currently working within the Arctic Urban Sustainability project (ARCSUS). It evaluates climate and socioeconomic factors related to the sustainability of Arctic urban communities. In her research project, titled "The urbanization in the Arctic: socio-economic transitions and sustainability of urban systems", she investigates life quality, environmental sustainability, and governance in urban settlements and compare those aspects within selected case studies.







