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Scholars at Risk Finland Day

25 NOVEMBER 2021 | 12:00 - 16:15 (GMT+2)

University of Turku, Agora hall XXII (and online)

SESSION 1:

12:00-12:15 Opening Words

Jukka Kola, Rector of the University of Turku
Martin Cloonan, Chair of SAR Finland and Director of
Turku Institute for Advanced Studies

12:15-12:45 Contemporary Issues

Atte Jääskeläinen, Director General at the Ministry of
Education and Culture

12:45-12:50 Introduction to SAR and SAR Finland

Martin Cloonan

12:50-13:00 Importance of Academic Freedom and Bonn Declaration

Veera Launis, Science Secretary at the Council of Finnish
Academies

13:00-13:05 Launch of Scholars at Risk Finland Speaker Series

Magdalena Kmak, Professor of Public International Law at
Åbo Akademi University and University Researcher at the
University of Helsinki

13:05-13:35 The Three Taboos: Academic Freedom in the Face of Absolute Truth

Majid Mgamis, Associate Professor of English in a Nordic
University

13:35-13.45 Q&A Session

Magdalena Kmak

13:45-14:15 Coffee Break

SESSION 2:

14:15-15:45 Panel Discussion: Different Approaches to Scholars at Risk Activities in Finland and Nordics

Panel Chair: **Christian Franklin Svensson**, Associate
Professor at the Department of Sociology and Social
Work, Aalborg University, Denmark

Awareness Rising

Karen-Lise Scheie Knudsen, Chair of SAR Norway and
Senior Advisor at the University of Agder, Norway

Ville Jäppinen, Board Member at the National Union of
University Students in Finland (SYL)

Hosting

Juho Hamari, Professor and Vice Dean for Research at the
Faculty of Information Technology and Communication
Sciences, Tampere University

Personal experiences from a scholar at risk

Funding

Sini Piippo, Senior Programme Adviser at the Finnish
National Agency for Education (EDUFI)

Karolina Catoni, Chair of SAR Sweden and International
Relations Officer and Deputy Head of the International
Centre at the University of Gothenburg, Sweden

Talent Retention

Kalle Korhonen, Director of Research Funding at Kone
Foundation

Pipa Turvanen, Senior Specialist (Talent Boost) at the
Ministry of Economic Affairs and Employment

15:45-16:05 Wrap up and Closing Words

Magdalena Kmak

Christian Franklin Svensson

Elina Vuola, SARF Chair 2022-2023 and
Professor at the University of Helsinki

Martin Cloonan