

Confirmed talks and speakers for the 9th CeFH-symposium (18 – 19 May 2026)

(status: 26 March 2026)

Keynotes

The causal effect of children: Fertility and the economics of family life

Astrid Würtz Rasmussen (Aarhus University)

Disease prediction using nation-wide health data and genetics

Andrea Ganna (University of Helsinki)

Session: Parenthood and Society

Mental health is becoming more important as a predictor of parenthood

Fartein Torvik (Centre for Fertility and Health)

Too stressed to have children? Chronic stress and later fertility outcomes

Ester Lazzari (University of Vienna)

Fatherhood in the 21st century

Martin E. Andresen (University of Oslo)

Beyond fiscal effects: broader societal consequences of the fertility decline

Rannveig Hart (Centre for Fertility and Health)

Session: Puberty and Reproductive Health

Definition of puberty onset in boys

Petur Juliusson (University of Bergen)

Adolescent hormonal contraceptive use, brain development, and mental health

Niamh MacSweeney (University of Oslo)

Parental and segregational origins of chromosomal abnormalities in pregnancy loss

Pol Solé Navais (University of Gothenburg)

Session: Intimacy and relationships in contemporary society

The digitalisation of intimacy: From online dating to AI companions

Gina Potarca (University of Liverpool)

Sexual inactivity and its association with mental health, social trust, and political attitudes among Norwegian women and men

Tilmann von Soest (University of Oslo)

Session: Early-Life Determinants of Health

Parental haplotypes reconstruction and parent-of-origin effects on complex traits in up to 236,781 individuals

Robin Hofmeister (University of Lausanne)

Determinants and consequences of early life inflammation and infection

David Burgner (Murdoch Children's Research Institute)

Exploring environmental determinants of childhood obesity: Combining data-driven and epidemiological approaches

Anne Kristine Lundgård Christensen (Aarhus University)

Session: Education, Family and the Labor Market

Increasing inequalities in childbearing in the Nordic countries

Julia Hellstrand (University of Helsinki)

The effect of shorter education on family formation: Evidence from Ontario's removal of Grade 13

Luzia Bruckamp (London School of Economics and Political Science)

The role of place: Residential location at arrival and consequences for immigrant children's educational and labor market outcomes

Nicolai Borgen (University of Oslo)

Session: Gendered Perspectives on Health and Health Consequences

Beyond hot flashes: The career cost of menopause

Sara Abrahamsson (Norwegian Institute of Public Health)

Empowering women to manage menopause

Martha Hickey (University of Melbourne)

Mapping Endometriosis: Socioeconomic, Clinical and Economic Insights from Denmark

Dorte Rytter (Aarhus University)

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Jonas Kinge (University of Oslo)

Session: Reproductive Medical Interventions in a Wider Perspective

What is the optimal population-level Caesarean delivery rate?

Dag Moster (University of Bergen)

Assisted reproduction and darwinean evolution

Hans Ivar Hanevik (Centre for Fertility and Health)