

Dear colleagues,

We are pleased to announce our call for abstracts for the *The Safe & Sound Conference: Child and Family Wellbeing for a Sustainable Future*. The conference will be held in Hanoi, Vietnam December 5-6, 2024. The conference is organized by Vietnam National University Hanoi - the University of Education, Inland Norway University of Applied Sciences, and University of Bergen. *The Safe & Sound Conference* is part of the [Norwegian Partnership Programme for Global Academic Cooperation \(NORPART\)](#) funded by HK-dir, the Norwegian directorate for International Cooperation and Quality Enhancement in Higher Education.

The conference addresses the intersections of child and family wellbeing through a focus on childhood adversity, mental health, and sustainable development at the individual, social, and global levels. Our aim is to seek and co-create knowledge that protects and enhances healthy child development, and skills of treatment and support when mental health problems arise. We want to share and use existing knowledge that foster happy children, caring parents, and responsible citizens – and specify the role and contributions from psychology and other health and social sciences. We are honored to have the following leading international experts as our keynote and guest speakers:

- Lars Lien, MD, PhD, Professor, at Inland Norway University of Applied Sciences, Faculty of Health and Social Sciences and Psychiatrist and Public Health Specialist
- Bahr Weiss, PhD, Research Professor in Psychology and Human Development, Vanderbilt University
- Kerstin Söderström, PhD, Associate Professor in Psychology at Inland University of Applied Sciences and Clinical Specialist at Inland Hospital Trust
- Per Norman Andersen, PhD, Professor in pedagogy and senior researcher in researcher in Neurodevelopmental Disorders at Inland University of Applied Sciences
- Erik Winther Skogli, PhD, Associate Professor, neuropsychologist and senior researcher in Neurodevelopmental Disorders at Inland University of Applied Sciences
- Silvana Markovska Simoska, MD, PhD, child and adolescent psychiatrist, professor and senior researcher in the field of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry and Cognitive Processes at Macedonian Academy of Sciences and Arts.

We welcome submission of abstracts and full papers for oral presentations. Please visit our webpage (<https://www.safeandsound.world>) for submission guidelines and other conference information. The initial submission deadline is June 10, 2024. The deadline for full paper submission will be August 19, 2024, followed by a peer-review process. Registration is open through October 14, 2024, with an Early Bird option. All accepted oral presentations / papers will be published in an ISBN Conference Proceedings.

To support the participation of junior scholars, we are pleased to offer reduced fee registration for graduate and undergraduate students.

		Early Bird (Registration before July 1, 2024)		High-income countries	Low- and middle-income countries
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Researchers/Authors with papers accepted for print in the Conference Proceedings	Full paper	2,400,000 VND (100 USD)	1,600,000 VND (70 USD)	2,800,000 VND (117 USD)	2,000,000 VND (85 USD)
	Abstract	900,000 VND (38 USD)	700,000 VND (30 USD)	1,100,000 VND (46 USD)	900,000 VND (38 USD)
Graduate and undergraduate students with papers accepted for prints in the Conference Proceedings	Full paper	2,000,000 VND (85 USD)	1,100,000 VND (46 USD)	2,400,000 VND (100 USD)	1,500,000 VND (63 USD)
	Abstract	800,000 VND (34 USD)	600,000 VND (25 USD)	1,000,000 VND (42 USD)	800,000 VND (34 USD)
Regular Participants (without reports/papers printed)		550,000 VND (23 USD)	450,000 VND (19 USD)	650,000 VND (27 USD)	550,000 VND (23 USD)

Key dates are:

- Deadline for abstract submission: June 10, 2024.
- Abstract Acceptance Announcement: 2 weeks after submission
- Deadline for full paper submission: Aug 19, 2024.
- Deadline for revision of full paper after peer-review: Sep 16, 2024.

There will be **pre-conference workshops** that focus on trauma, early childhood adversity and neurodevelopmental disorders. Below is the information regarding pre-conference workshops. Registration fees for the workshops are listed below:

- Non-affiliated participants: 3,000,000 VND/participant
- Graduate students of the VNU-Ued's Child and Adolescent Clinical Psychology Program: 2,000,000 VND/participant
- Alumni of the VNU-Ued's Child and Adolescent Clinical Psychology Program: 2,500,000 VND/participant

Workshop title	Time	Facilitator
Early childhood adversity and global mental health	9-16.30 from 2 to 4 December 2024	Dr. Lars Lien Dr. Ragnhild Dybdahl
Intensive trauma recovery technique training	9-16.30 from 2 to 4 December 2024	Dr. Unni Marie Heltne
Neurodevelopmental perspectives on autism. EEG profiles and innovative interventions <i>Tailored for clinicians at the children's hospital and others.</i>	9-16.30 from 2 to 4 December 2024	Dr. Silvana Markovska Simoska

In addition to the main events, the **gala dinner** will take place at 7:30 PM on December 5, 2024. The fee for the gala dinner is 700,000 VND/participant.

We hope that you will consider submitting an abstract and that you will have the opportunity to join us all to share our passion and scholarship for child and family wellbeing.

The conference website: <https://www.safeandsound.world>

Registration form: <https://form.jotform.com/crisp.ued/2024-conference-online-registration>

Abstract Submission form: <https://form.jotform.com/crisp.ued/2024-abstract-submission>

Please direct any questions you might have regarding the conference to Dr. Trang Le at Vietnam National University at: safeandsound.conference@gmail.com

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