



International Association for the  
Treatment of Sexual Offenders

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## 11th International Conference

### Dear Colleagues!

The Norwegian Arrangement Committee kindly invites you to attend the 11<sup>th</sup> IATSO Conference in Oslo, Norway 1<sup>st</sup> - 4<sup>th</sup> September 2010. The conference will take place at Oslo Congress Centre, avenue surrounded by several accommodation facilities, restaurants and shopping possibilities. Its 10 minutes walk to the Central Station where the airport train takes you to the airport within 25 minutes.

We invite you to take part in new reflections and thinking in the field of treatment of sexual offenders. Having behind us years of heavy weight on punitive strategies as main reactions to all sorts of criminality, it now seems to be a growing interest for the so-called "Restorative Justice". The restorative thinking points out restoration for both victims and offenders as central to the way of handling illegal acts. But could Restorative Justice be an alternative to the traditional legal system in

sexoffending cases, or does it just have to be a supplement? How are the therapist's private values and moral standards influencing the treatment process? What is the role of empathy in therapy? How can professionals take care of a humanistic perspective in their work? Other questions will be how to make research more relevant to clinical work, and clinical work more relevant to research. Our aim is to make the conference an arena for introducing new voices and fruitful discussions in the field of sexoffender treatment and research.

Welcome to Oslo 2010.

**The Norwegian Arrangement Committee.**

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