



NORDIC ASYLUM LAW SEMINAR 2017

**DAY 1
29th of May**

09.00-09.30 (Háskólatorg)
Coffee and registration

09:30-11:00 (HT-102)
Plenary session 1

Welcome and opening of the conference

Professor Oddný Mjöll Arnardóttir, Chair of the organising committee
Jón Atli Benediktsson, Rector of the University of Iceland

Keynote address (HT-102)

Thomas Gammeltoft Hansen, research director at Raoul Wallenberg
Institute: *“The ugly ducklings: Nordic deterrence policies and negative
nation branding.”*

Discussant: Dr. Vigdis Vevstad, Sonconsult, independent adviser and
researcher.

11:00 – 12:45

Workshops (4 to run in parallel, see separate schedule)

12:45-13:45

Háma – University cafeteria

Lunch

13:45 – 15:30

Workshops (4 to run in parallel, see separate schedule)

15:30-15:45

Coffee

15:45-16:45 (HT-102)

Plenary session: 2

Keynote address:

Elspeth Guild, Jean Monnet Professor ad personam at Queen Mary, University of
London as well as at the Radboud University Nijmegen, Netherlands:

*“Negotiating the UN’s Global Compacts on Refugees and Safe, Orderly and
Regular Migration.”*

Discussant: Auðbjörg Halldórsdóttir, Director of the Icelandic Crisis Response Unit
(ICRU)

19:00

Conference Dinner:
Restaurant Reykjavík



DAY 2
30th of May

09:00-10:00
HT-102

Plenary session 3
Keynote address

Maarten den Heijer, Assistant Professor of International Law at the University of Amsterdam, Jorrit Rijpma, Associate Professor at the Europa Institute and Thomas Spijkerboer, professor of Migration Law at the Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam: *“The Great Escape - institutional shifts of competences and responsibilities and the effectiveness of migration policy”*
Discussant: Professor Elina Pirjatanniemi, Director of the Institute for Human Rights, Åbo Akademi University

10:00-10:15
Coffee

10:15 – 12:00
Workshops (4 to run in parallel, see separate schedule)

12:00-12:30
HT-102

Plenary session 4
Closing of the Conference

Professor Jens Vedsted-Hansen, Aarhus University