

Symposium about Scientific Freedom

And the inauguration of the Institute for Scientific Freedom

Saturday, 9 March 2019 at Bethesda, Rømersgade 17, København (Israels Plads)

Programme

- 09.00 **Introduction: Why do we need an Institute for Scientific Freedom?**
Peter Breggin, Psychiatrist, Ithaca, New York, and Peter C. Gøtzsche, Professor, Copenhagen
- 09.15 **The many forms of scientific censorship in psychiatry**
Robert Whitaker, Science Journalist, Boston
- 09.45 **The conscience of psychiatry: Overcoming 50 years of threats to my life, liberty, licensure and scientific freedom**
Peter Breggin, Psychiatrist, Ithaca, New York
- 10.15 **How an ABC TV programme about depression pills was cancelled through peer pressure**
Maryanne Demasi, Researcher and Journalist, Sydney
- 10.45 **Coffee**
- 11.00 **Lessons from clinical study reports: oseltamivir for influenza and the HPV vaccines**
Tom Jefferson, Professor, Oxford, UK
- 11.30 **WHO is the brain in the system: The sound of silence? A case study of how public health vaccinology deals with fundamental contradictions of current policy**
Peter Aaby, Professor, Bandim Health Project, Guinea-Bissau and Denmark
- 12.00 **Discussion**
- 12.30 **Lunch**
- 13.15 **Defending scientific integrity: Are there costs?**
Paul Thacker, Journalist, Madrid
- 13.45 **Litigation as an instrument for silencing whistleblowers**
Peter Wilmshurst, Cardiologist, Stoke-on-Trent, UK
- 14.15 **Academic oppression and other impediments to informing about nutrition**
Pam Popper, Physician, Columbus, Ohio
- 14.45 **Coffee**
- 15.00 **Public interest healthcare research and the change of our biomedical innovation model**
David Hammerstein, Director, Commons Network
- 15.30 **Death of a whistleblower: scientific censorship in action**
Peter C. Gøtzsche, Professor, Copenhagen
- 16.00 **Discussion**
- 17.00 End of official programme. Informal dinner at own cost for those who wish to go on...

How to register for the symposium:

Please transfer DKK 1200 using IBAN Account number DK5867710005437934 with swiftcode LAPNDKK1 (Laegernes Bank). If needed, the account holder is: Peter Gøtzsche, bank address: Dirch Passers Allé 76, DK-2000 Frederiksberg. Danes can use the same bank account, 67715437934. Write who you are on the transfer. Students can register for DKK 600; request this option by writing to gotzsche.peter@gmail.com.

Any surplus will be used to support the work of the new institute. You may donate using the same bank account, which will be monitored by an external accountant.