

# HIGHLIGHTS FOR CON AMORE 2015

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## **Retreat**

In 2015 CON AMORE held its retreat at Kysthotellet in Grenaa, August 18-19. Roughly thirty junior and senior researchers presented their research projects in terms of six thematically organized symposia. We also discussed the collaboration and daily interaction between different groups of CON AMOREs. The purpose of the retreat was to help the integration of the center both socially and with regards to our research projects. As always, it was two great days.



CON AMORE Retreat 2015 at Kysthotellet, Grenaa

## **Honors and grants**

Professor Dorthe Kirkegaard Thomsen received the Aarhus BSS Research Award 2015 for her excellent research on life stories and how they affect our quality of life and general well-being. Ph.D. student Mia Skytte O'Toole was awarded a Ph.D. award from Aarhus University Research Foundation for her impressive and important research on emotion regulation in social phobia. Professor Peter Krøjgaard received a Core Group grant from the Velux foundation of 5.9 million DKK to the exciting and innovative project: "A new look at young children's memory for autobiographical events". Professor Dorthe Berntsen was elected as one of six members of Board of Directors for the Association of Psychological Science (APS), which is the world largest organization for psychological science with currently 26.000 members.

## **Transitions, graduations, and new junior members**

Postdoc Lynn Ann Watson obtained an associate professorship at the Department of Psychology and Behavioral Sciences, at Aarhus University, to begin in November 2015. Ph.D. student Jonna Jelsbak Dahl was awarded the Ph.D. degree on the basis of her thesis: Event memory in infancy and early childhood. Ph.D. student Mia Skytte O'Toole was awarded the Ph.D. degree on the basis of her thesis: Emotion Regulation in Social Anxiety Disorder. In 2015 CON AMORE also welcomed two new PhD students, Sinue Salgado and Julie Niziurski as well as two new Postdocs: Katrine Villemoes Rasmussen and Alejandra Zaragoza Scherman.