

The LIVIA Award 2019, Call for nominees

Nomination deadline: *February* 15st, 2019.

Do you know of anyone who approaches conflicts in society with creativity, wisdom, sensitivity, action and nonviolence? Then the LIVIA Foundation needs your help.

The worldwide examples of nonviolent action are admirable, but only rarely do they reach the front pages of the news. This is where the LIVIA Foundation is working to make a difference. We make the life-affirming ideas and solutions known to a larger public, by drawing attention hereto and giving a voice to people working within creative conflict resolution.

The LIVIA Foundation is hosting an Award ceremony on May 25th 2019. The award is given to persons or groups who strive to handle conflicts with courage, creativity and nonviolence. We honour people, who will inspire and bring hope to others.

The ceremony takes place in Copenhagen in cooperation with the Danish Centre for Conflict Resolution. The LIVIA Award Recipient will be invited to Copenhagen to receive the award and participate in related events and press activities

We will nominate a number persons or groups and among these nominees two Award Recipients will be selected - one international and one from Denmark. Please find the criteria for the LIVIA Awards at the bottom of this page.

The LIVIA Foundation is a civic, non-political, non-religious, non-profit initiative. We work to promote new ways to support creative, constructive nonviolent conflict resolution.

Nominations should be send via e-mail to **webmaster@liviafonden.dk**. The nomination should contain brief information about the nominated person or organisation, contact information for the person or organisation and a letter of motivation explaining why the person/organisation fulfils the criteria listed below on a maximum of 2 pages excluding appendix

By nominating a person or an organisation *you* contribute to demonstrating peaceful ways of dealing with conflicts in society. *You* help bring stories forward that bring inspiration and hope to others.



CRITERIA FOR THE LIVIA AWARDS

The awards are given according to criteria of constructive conflict resolution, on the basis of professional principles for handling conflicts:

- to create possibilities of genuine communication between adversaries and enemies
- to maintain contact with the adversary and insist on negotiation and dialogue
- to spot an escalation of a conflict at an early stage and take steps to relaxation of destructive conflicts
- to create turning-points in escalated conflicts and make contact and negotiation possible
- to fight for their own truth without the use of violence
- to support the parties after a conflict, for them to co-exist, heal the wounds and come closer to a reconciliation
- to enable a preparedness for constructive handling og conflicts in local communities

The LIVIA Awards are given to people, who live by these principles in societal conflicts and who - with surprising creativity and courage – when all hope seems blocked, create ways to transform conflicts into new possibilities.

- It can be conflict work, where you yourself are involved in the problem or where you intervene.
- The work may take place at any stage of an escalation or it may be aimed at preventing a foreseeable harmful / violent escalation, e.g. by building conflict preparedness.
- It is not a criterion for the prices that the conflict is solved, only the serious and creative work being done with the conflict.

We look forward to receive your nomination!

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