



**SAGB Conference August 2019 in Portsmouth**  
**Human Rights and Democracy: threats and opportunities in the 2020s**  
**Sunday 18th August to Saturday 24th August**

Sonnenberg Association GB's next conference will take place for the first time in Portsmouth University, staying in Rees Hall looking out to Southsea Common and the sea. Our theme is 'Human Rights and Democracy: threats and opportunities in the 2020s'. The programme is still being finalised but we plan to include sessions on identifying the major concerns worldwide, the rise of populism and the far right, nationalism, refugees and migration, China, issues in the developing world, dance and human rights.

Portsmouth has a long naval tradition and there are a series of dockyard museums including The Victory and the award winning Mary Rose Museum, with the hull of King Henry VIII's favourite warship, and we have planned for optional visits to these and other naval museums. Our day out will take us to Winchester a beautiful, historic, cathedral city with the alternative option of a nearby steam railway.

The single and double bedrooms are basic, but all have en-suite facilities and we are promised sea views. The conference fee for the 6 nights including a 2-course dinner, bed and breakfast (you will also be able to make sandwiches for lunch at breakfast) including the day out excursion, but not the naval museum options, will be:

- single en-suite £500
- double en-suite £420pp
- reduction on the above amounts for full-time students and under-30's is £120
- Day visits are possible for £20 per day without meals.

As always we hope to have participants from many countries and the conference languages will be English and German with simultaneous translation.

The University is campus style, so there is a 10 minute walk between Rees Hall and the lecture building, but we plan to have a shuttle service for those who find walking difficult.

Portsmouth has good transport links to the airports at London Heathrow and Gatwick. Travel from Luton, Stansted and the Channel Tunnel is also possible but will take longer. Detailed travel information will be available in March 2019.

**Booking for the conference is now open and please complete the form below, sending either the full fee or a £100 deposit. Book before the end of March 2019 to enjoy a £10 discount on either the full amount or the deposit.**

# Sonnenberg Assn. GB - Conference 2019

## Draft Programme

### Human Rights and Democracy: threats and opportunities in the 2020s

**Sunday 18th August to Saturday 24th August,  
Portsmouth University**

Breakfast from 8am

All sessions in lecture theatre unless otherwise stated.

#### **Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> August**

aft: arrival

6.15 Dinner

7.30-8.30 Welcome and introductions

From 9: First night party (venue to be decided)

#### **Monday 19<sup>th</sup> August**

09:30 – 12:00 Introduction to the conference themes including group work – Stuart Sweeney

From 1pm Visit to Mary Rose Museum or The Victory

7 pm Dinner

8.15pm Optional films: Human rights and dance – Stuart in seminar room Rees Hall

#### **Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> August**

09:30 – 12:00 Refugees and migration - UN Speaker and Jan Capek

1:00 – Optional walk around Old Portsmouth

6.15 Dinner

19:30 – 21:30 The situation in China – Dan Hough

#### **Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> August**

Day out 1. Winchester or 2. Alresford – Watercress Train Line

6.15 Dinner

8pm Optional Film in seminar room Rees Hall

#### **Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> August**

09.30 – 10:45 The rise of right wing extremism in Europe – Jonathan Fryer

11.00 -12.15 Nationalism: Scotland as an example

Free afternoon

6.15 dinner

19:30 – 22:00 International evening (if a suitable venue is available)

#### **Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> August**

09:30 – 12:00 Third World Development Theme – Margaret Everley

Free afternoon

6.15 Dinner

19:30 evaluation and closing party

#### **Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> August**

Leave after breakfast

**SAGB Portsmouth Conference 2019**  
**Application form**

Send or e-mail applications to: Elin Bornemann, 28 Coxwell Street, Faringdon, SN7 7HA or  
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Name(s):

Address:

Phone / mobile:

email:

Accommodation required:

single en-suite room, £500

double en-suite, £420 per person

reduction on the above for full-time students and under-30's: £120

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The conference fee includes the transport and some admission costs for the day out in Winchester or the railway, but not for the optional Portsmouth naval museums visits, which we will contact you about later on.

You have a choice on payment: if you wish to save on bank transfer fees you can send the full amount now; or you can send £100 deposit per person and pay the remainder at the conference or by a second bank transfer. Please send the application form together with a UK bank cheque or for those who prefer bank transfer and all overseas participants, please send the full amount or deposit **including your name** to:

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