

IV Youth, School and Violence -panel

Friday II 12.15 – 13.30 (Nov. 6th 2009)

Description

The panel addresses the issue of violence in the lives of young people. Special focus is given to the school as a context for visible and invisible violence to take place. The panel brings together sociologists, educators, philosophers and teenagers to discuss the topic from various perspectives. After listening to three expert commentaries on youth and violence, panel of teenagers from local secondary schools will discuss their take on the issue. The youth panel will be composed of four students representing a diversity of viewpoints – boys and girls, bullying victims and "popular kids," vocational students and college prep students – all willing and able to answer questions in either Finnish or English. This panel is to challenge preconceptions and give new ideas for thought about what really can and should be done to make the lives of young people safer, in both physical and emotional senses.