VI Journalism and trauma – panel Saturday 10.30 – 12.00 (Nov. 7th 2009) Description

In the workshop, several viewpoints on the theme of journalism and trauma are discussed. Klas Backholm, researcher at Åbo Akademi University in Vaasa, Finland and an associate within the Dart Center for Journalism & Trauma, presents results from a study on how Finnish news journalists experienced the Jokela school shooting, from a psychological point of view. Media researcher and Dart Center associate Liselotte Englund from Karlstad University gives a presentation about how news journalists experience possibly traumatizing assignments, by using examples from a study on the aftermath of a large-scale fire disaster. Laura Juntunen, media researcher at the University of Helsinki, Finland, gives a talk based on a study on journalistic ethical choices and issues during the Jokela shooting. Two respondents will be commenting on the presentations, American writer and journalist and author of the book "Columbine", Dave Cullen, and media researcher Anna Roosvall, Örebro University, Sweden, expert in the field of foreign news journalism.