THE NORDIC CENTRE OF EXCELLENCE:

THE NORDIC WELFARE STATE — HISTORICAL FOUNDATIONS AND FUTURE CHALLENGES (NORDWEL)

AND THE CENTRE FOR WELFARE STATE RESEARCH, UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN DENMARK

Call for Papers: International Conference - Cross-disciplinary Perspectives on Welfare State Development Odense, 14-16 June 2012

NCoE NordWel and the Centre for Welfare State Research, University of Southern Denmark, are organizing an international conference in Odense, 14-16 June 2012.

We invite scholars from different backgrounds both within and outside the Nordic countries to participate in discussing the development of the welfare state, its preconditions, present status and how we ought to study it.

Welfare states have and can be studied from a number of theoretical and methodological approaches, with various chronological perspectives and with a focus on different empirical phenomena. With this conference it is our aim to stimulate cross-disciplinary and multiperspective discussions. Our aim is to bring together Ph.D. students and senior scholars from different disciplines and to stimulate a discussion that will challenge and maybe bring us beyond well established concepts and understandings.

We welcome proposals for exciting papers that deal with welfare and the welfare state in a broad historical and contemporary perspective from disciplines such as sociology, history, social policy, political science, political philosophy etc. Papers can be both theoretical and empirical in their approach. They can deal with national or transnational themes or have a comparative perspective.

Key note speakers include: Sigrun Kahl (Yale University), Ann Orloff (Northwestern University), Matthieu Leimgruber (University of Geneva) and Jørn Henrik Petersen (University of Southern Denmark).

Participation in the conference is free of charge (including accommodation).

HOW TO PARTICIPATE: SEND AN ABSTRACT (100-200 WORDS) TO JAKOB SINDING SKÖTT: JPA@SAM.SDU.DK NO LATER THAN 15 JANUARY 2012

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