

## Call for papers:

### **Flight, Adaptation and Resilience: Fascists, Collaborators and War Criminals in the Post-War Nordic Periphery, June 16–17, 2025, Uppsala University**

What happened to fascists, national socialists, collaborators, war criminals and ideological fellow travellers in the Nordic countries after the Second World War? This conference deals with a period that is not as well researched as the classical era of fascism, yet crucial for understanding fascist continuities over time and the genealogy of present day far-right populism.

The conference takes place at Uppsala University on June 16-17, 2025. The keynote lecture will be given by Gerald Steinacher, Professor of History and Hymen Rosenberg Professor of Judaic Studies at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln. He is the author of the ground-breaking monograph *Nazis on the Run* and the foremost expert on how German national socialists escaped legal prosecution after the Second World War. The keynote lecture and the presentations will be open to the public. We invite papers on:

- **Pre-war and war-time fascist organisations and networks after 1945**
- **Fascist ideological accommodation and transformation into post-war realities**
- **Change, fight or flight – post-war judicial repression of fascist organisations and individuals and their counterstrategies in the Nordic countries**
- **War criminals in the Nordic countries after the Second World War**
- **Anti-fascist responses to post-war fascism**

**Date and place:** Uppsala University, June 16–17, 2025.

**Organising committee:** Olof Bortz (Stockholm University), Nicola Karcher (Østfold University College) and Oula Silvennoinen (University of Helsinki) and Lars M Andersson (Uppsala University)

Please submit an abstract (max 250 words) and a short biographical note (max 60 words), in one document, **by March 1, 2025**, to:  
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We will respond to proposers by April 1, 2025.

The conference is organised jointly between NORFAS (Network for Nordic Fascism Studies), SWEFAS (Swedish Research Network for Fascism, Far-Right Radicalism, Extremism and Populism Studies) and CIRCUS (Center for Integrated Research on Culture and Society, at Uppsala University), and financed by the Wenner-Gren Foundation. A conference volume is planned, edited by the organisers.