



MIGRATION HISTORY MATTERS
The Association of European Migration Institutions (AEMI)
Annual Meeting and Conference

September 28th – October 2nd 2011
The Danish Emigration Archives and The Utzon Center
Aalborg, Denmark

We would like to invite anyone wishing to offer a paper on the theme of the meeting, see the call for papers, to contact Jens Topholm, see below, no later than **1st July 2011**.

Participants in the AEMI Conference can register and mail registration information to Jens Topholm until **1st September 2011**, see hotels, travel advice and registration form at <http://www.aemi.dk/news.php>.

We're looking forward to your inputs and welcoming you to The Danish Emigration Archives in Aalborg.

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Program

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Wednesday September 28th 2011

6.00 – 9.00 pm

- Registration for the Annual Meeting and the Conference
- Refreshments and an informal get-together.

Thursday September 29th 2011

9.00 – 11.00 am

- **9.00 – 9.30** Introduction to AEMI history and perspectives by Brian Lambkin – with three central questions:
 - 1) Why does Migration History Matter?
 - 2) What is going on in your Migration Institution that we should know about?
 - 3) What would you like to see AEMI do in the next three years?
- **9.30 – 10.15** Discussion in groups
- **10.15 – 10.30** Coffee break
- **10.30 – 11.00** Discussion and exchange of views in a plenary session.
- **11.00 – 11.30** Short (5 minutes) walk to The Utzon Center.

AEMI Conference – *MIGRATION HISTORY MATTERS* At The Utzon Center

Thursday September 29th 2011

10.00 am – 4.30 pm (and the official dinner 07.00 pm).

- **10.00 – 11.00** Registration those arriving directly for the conference.
- **11.30 – 12.00** Official opening of the conference
- **12.00 – 01.00** Lunch at The Utzon Café and Restaurant
- **01.00 – 02.45** Opening presentations:
 - 1) Digital Migration - digitizing the past in order to understand the present
by Torben Tvorup Christensen, the Danish Emigration Archives



- 2) Migration History with a new Focus
by Henrik Bredmose Simonsen
- 3) Exhibiting Danish Immigration
by Cathrine Kyø Hermansen and Susanne Jensen, the Danish Immigrant Museum
- 4) Migraport
by Mathias Nielsson, the Swedish American Center
- 5) Migrapedia
by Hans Storhaug, the Norwegian Emigration Centre

- **02.45 – 03.15** Coffee break
- **03.15 – 04.00** Presentations
- **04.00 – 04.30** Guided tour of The Utzon Center

- **07.00 – 11.00** Official Dinner at The Utzon Café and Restaurant

Friday September 30th 2011

09.00 am – 06.00 pm

Including a video conference

- **09.00 – 12.00** Presentations
- **12.00 – 01.30** Lunch at Nordkraft – a central culture center in Aalborg
- **01.30 – 03.00** Presentations
- **03.00 – 03.30** Coffee break
- **03.30 – 04.30** Presentations
- **05.00 –** City Walk

AEMI Annual Meeting At The Danish Emigration Archives

Saturday October 1st 2011

09.30 – 11.30 am

- **10.00 – 10.20** Official Opening of The AEMI Annual Meeting
- **10.20 – 11.10** AEMI Meeting according to the statutes
- **11.10 – 11.30** Closing Ceremony



Excursion to Rebild Hills

Saturday October 1st 2011 Rebild

12.00 pm – 16.00

- **12.00 – 16.00** Trip to Rebild. Rebild Bakker or Rebild Hills is a well-established gathering place for Danish-Americans. Here they annually meet with family, friends and acquaintances and join in the The Rebild Celebrations. The Celebrations are an annual tradition, marking the American Independence Day, since the 4th of July 1912.

There will be lunch at Tophuset <http://topkaren.dk/>. Participation 300 DKK includes lunch and bus.

Sunday October 2th

- Departure of delegates