

# Invitation

## 4<sup>th</sup> International Trondheim Conference on Palliative Care

Trondheim, Norway, October 15-16, 2009

Palliative care:  
Treatment, research and organisational issues  
in a multidisciplinary perspective



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### Organisers:

The Regional Centre for Palliative Care Education and Research – Central Norway  
and the Pain & Palliation Research group,  
in collaboration with the Nordic Specialist Course in Palliative Medicine

Join us in sharing the latest research findings and clinical implications  
from ongoing cutting edge research in the field.

Features invited guests:

Professor Augusto Caraceni (I) and Professor Ken Fearon (UK)

Dear clinicians and researchers in palliative care,

At this annual conference we aim to have Nordic clinicians and researchers to present the most recent evidence-based and clinically useful knowledge of common symptoms as well as organisational issues of palliative care. This conference will provide the participants with the opportunity of in-depth studies in the field of their interest.

This conference aims at all clinicians, health care providers in general as well as researchers within the field of palliative care who are interested in improving the care for patients in a palliative phase of their disease trajectory. We would like to invite you to submit abstracts within September 1, 2009. Details are to be announced.

Do not miss this unique opportunity to join us in Trondheim and meet some of the world's leading experts in the field.

Best wishes,

Stein Kaasa  
Chair  
Scientific committee

# Conference overview

**Date:** October 15 and 16, 2009  
**Time:** 0900 – 1700, both days  
**Place:** Auditorium, 1st floor Øya Helsehus, St. Olavs Hospital, Trondheim, Norway  
**Price:** NOK 2200,- before September 1, NOK 2500,- after September 1  
**Languages:** English and Nordic  
**Participants:** Clinicians, health care providers and researchers  
**Seats available:** 250 (first-come, first served)  
**Website:** [www.palliative.no](http://www.palliative.no)

**Registration, information and general contact:**

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**Abstracts (not mandatory):**

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### Organising Committee:

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### Preliminary Program

The conference will be arranged over two full days:

- Plenary sessions:* Invited international speakers cover the two topics pain and cachexia:  
Augusto Caraceni, Italy and Ken Fearon, UK  
Invited Nordic speakers
- Parallel sessions:* Several sessions are offered in parallel by invited speakers and  
by speakers presenting their submitted abstracts
- Lunch symposium:* Possibility for industry sponsored arrangement
- Meet the expert /* Several smaller groups for in-depth studies of topics
- Workshop* addressed earlier that day
- Poster presentations:* Poster viewing and poster guided tours will be offered based upon submitted abstracts

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