



The Conference Fee

- Early Bird (by 15th April 2012) **290 €**
- Regular (16th April 2012 onwards) **350 €**
- Students **100 €**

The fees include

conference materials, refreshments, lunches and welcome reception.
(Conference dinner optional; Accommodation not included)

Conference Venue

The University Consortium of Pori
Pohjoisranta 11 A, 28100 Pori
Finland

Website

<http://www.ucpori.fi/eval2012>

Conference Secretariat

eval2012@ucpori.fi

Conference Organizer

University of Tampere, School of Social
Sciences and Humanities, Unit at Pori



University of Tampere and
University Consortium of Pori invite you to join

8th International Conference on Evaluation for Practice

“Evaluation as a Tool for Research, Learning and
Making Things Better” – A Conference for Experts of
Education, Human Services and Policy

18-20 June 2012
City of Pori, Finland

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Conference Context

The conference carries on a tradition that started in 1995 in Huddersfield, England. Since then the significance of evaluation research has grown and revived rapidly. The traditional and new focal points of evaluation research are presented in the following themes:

- Complementary perspectives and methods on practice evaluation
- Evidence based practices and their problematics
- Systematic reviews and their use in human services
- Evaluation on health services
- Evaluation in the development of working life/workplace development
- Evaluation on regional development practices



Conference Format

The conference will include Plenary Speeches and presentations by participants in parallel workshops and interactive sessions. Also a poster session will be organized.

According to the conference tradition, we invite researchers and practitioners from around the world to share their experiences in this challenging mixture of research and practice.



Abstract submission

before 31 October 2011

<http://www.ucpori.fi/eval2012submission>



Plenary Speakers and Chairs

Monday June 18th

- **Edward J. Mullen**, Willma and Albert Musher Professor Emeritus of Social Work, Columbia University
- **Brendan McCormack**, Professor of Nursing Science, Director of the Institute of Nursing Research and Head of the Person-Centred Research Centre in the Institute of Nursing Research, University of Ulster.
- Chair: **Bruce Thyer**, Professor, School of Social Work, Florida State University & Editor, Research on Social Work Practice.

Tuesday June 19th

- **Eamon Noonan**, PhD, Norwegian Center for Social Affairs and Health, CEO, Campbell Collaboration
- **Maritta Välimäki**, Professor of Nursing Science, PhD, RN, University of Turku, Finland
- Chair: **Asta Manninen**, Director of City of Helsinki Urban Facts, Helsinki, Finland.

Wednesday June 20th

- **Mansoor A. F. Kazi**, PhD, Director Program Evaluation Center, University at Buffalo, The State University of New York.
- **Robert Arnkil**, Researcher, Licentiate of Psychology, University of Tampere, Work Research Center and Arnkil Dialogues, an expert of the evaluation of working life development programmes and projects.
- Chair: **Satu Kalliola**, Professor of Social Policy, University of Tampere, Unit at UCPori

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