Censorship in children’s literature

Venue: The National Library of Norway, Henrik Ibsensgt 110, Oslo

Program, Thursday 14th September

0930 – 1000: Coffee, informal
1000 – 1015: Welcome. Nisrin Maktabi Barkouki and Dag Larsen: Issues on Censorship in Children’s Literature
1100 – 1115 Questions, remarks
1115 – 1145 Fatima Sharafeddine: Inappropriate in The Middle East? Inappropriate in Europe?
1145 – 1230 Lunch
1230 – 1300 Zoreh Gheini: Iranian Experiences
1300 – 1320 Dina Roll-Hansen: What Awaits Norwegian Children’s Books Abroad?
1320 – 1405 Gunnar Ardelius, Bjørn Ingvaldsen and Kristenn Einarsson discussing Censorship or Self-Censorship?
1405 – 1420 Break
1420 – 1505 Ragnfrid Trohaug, Siri Odfjell Risdal, Vibeke Røgler and Synne Eline Loftesnes: Censorship, Care and the Market
1505 – 1545 Plenary debate and questions
1545 – 1600 Summing up, Norwegian PEN and NBI

Friday 15. September – Children’s Book Festival, Oslo
James La Rue and Fatima Sharafeddine discussing censorship and self-censorship in children's literature with Hilde Hagerup
Speakers

James La Rue
Director of the Office for Intellectual Freedom & The Freedom to Read Foundation in The American Library Association (ALA).

Fatima Sharafeddine
Lebanese writer of books for children and young adults. Her books have been translated to many languages. *Faten (Du, jente)* is also published in Norway.

Zoreh Gheini
Director of The Institute for The Research on The History of Children's Literature in Iran.

Dina Roll-Hansen
Senior Advisor at NORLA (Norwegian Literature Abroad), working with books for children and young adults.

Gunnar Ardelius
Swedish writer, Chairman of The Swedish Writers Union.

Bjørn Ingvaldsen
Norwegian writer, formerly Leader of The Norwegian Writers for Children.

Kristenn Einarsson
Director of The Norwegian Publishers Union and also leader of the Freedom to Publish Committee in The International Publishers Union.

Ragnfrid Trohaug
Chief Editor for children's books at Cappelen Damm.

Siri Odfjell Risdal
Librarian and Project Manager at Stavanger Public Library, Sølvberget.

Vibeke Røgler
Deputy Director at Association Read!

Synne Eline Loftesnes
Chief buyer of children's literature at Tanum

Nisrin Maktabi Barkouki
Advisor at The Multilingual Library, The National Library of Norway and Head of Multicultural Section, Norwegian PEN

Dag Larsen
Head of Studies at The Norwegian Institute for Children's Books.
Hilde Hagerup
Author in teaching position at The Norwegian Institute for Children’s Books

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