

**PROGRAM SPRING 2012**  
**THE NORWEGIAN ACADEMY OF SCIENCE AND LETTERS**

The meetings are held in the Academy building, Drammensveien 78, Oslo. All *joint meetings* commence at 6:00 p.m. Lectures, unless otherwise stated, are open to the public and given in Norwegian.

**12 January Joint meeting**

Professor Arne Johan Vetlesen, University of Oslo:  
*“Evil” as a perspective on the events of 22 July 2011*

**9 February Joint meeting**

Professor Øyvind Østerud, University of Oslo:  
*State formation, new states and international order*

**8 March Joint meeting**

Professor Inger Sandlie, University of Oslo:  
*From molecular basic research to innovation and tailor-made medicine*

Professor Øyvind S. Bruland, Oslo University Hospital, Institute for Cancer Research:  
*New treatment for the spread of prostate cancer: An intellectual and a financial adventure*

**13 March (Tuesday) by special invitation only**

*The Academy Lecture in the Humanities and Social Sciences*

Professor Steven Pinker, Harvard University: *The History of Violence* [IN ENGLISH]

**12 April Joint meeting: Organized by The natural sciences division of The Academy**

Theme: *The fourth wave of Information and Communication technology* Three short lectures by Professor Morten Dæhlen, Professor Olav Lysne and Professor Kristin Braa, University of Oslo

**3 May Annual meeting (Thursday)**

New members of the Academy will receive their diplomas; Fridtjof Nansen Prize of Excellence in Research will be awarded.

Professor John Ole Askedal, University: *Sophus Bugge (1833 – 1907)*

Professor Rita R. Colwell, University of Maryland:

*Challenges and Opportunities in the Century of Biology* [IN ENGLISH]

**14 June Joint meeting**

Assistant Professor Øystein Ekroll, Norwegian University of Science and Technology:

*Octagon and St. Olav's grave. New knowledge about the Cathedral Nidarosdomen's building history*