



Read the Conference Programme

3rd 2026 CONFERENCE PROGRAM

Global Relief Somali Foundation

Theme: *Understanding the Impact of Social Media: An Exploration of Its Effects on Children, Youth, and Future Generations, Including the Associated Risks, Benefits, and Societal Perspectives.*

Venue: Scandic Ørnen Hotel, Bergen.

Date: Saturday, 10 October 2026.

Time: 4. pm – 9. pm (16 pm – 21 pm).

Day 1 – Opening and Inspiration – Programme.

Time	Activity
4:00 – 4:16	Registration & Welcome Coffee.
4:20 – 4:25	Opening Ceremony General Manger of Scandic Ørnen Hotel Bergen (will open the conference Proudly sponsored by Scandic Ørnen Hotel.
4:25 – 4.40	Presentation of the Event Mr. Ibrahim Farah Hassan Conference Chair – and Moderator.
4:40 – 6:00	Keynote Address Dr. Ozlem Demirkol Tønnesen (Researcher at the Bergen University) Explorer of personalisation, health communication, and community building across a variety of social media platforms.
6:00 – 6:30	Keynote Address Mr. Leif Gunnar Vestbøstad Vik General Manager (Barnevakten) Topic: How can parents get involved in their children's lives on social media?
10 minutes	Conference Coffee Break, Refreshments Coffee Break
6:45 – 7:00	Music – Somali entertainment: Light Somali classics/instrumentals.
7:00 – 7:40	Guest speaker Mr. Ibrahim Farah Hassan A Concise Overview of the Organization's Programme and Its Role in Promoting Social Integration in Bergen, Norway.

7:40 – 8:10	Cathrine Waaler Halstensen HR Manager – Den Nationale Scene, Bergen. Share your experience in community work.
8:10 – 8:30	🏆 ✨ 2026 Gala Award Winner. Cathrine Waaler Halstensen: Winner of the Best Person of the Year Award 2026 – (Best Person of the Year).
8:30 –	Conference Closing Event Thank you all for attending this seminar. We sincerely appreciate your participation and support!
9:00	Departure.

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