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# WELFARE final conference and partner meeting

## WELFARE final conference held 30 January 2024

The final conference of the WELFARE project was held in Hátíðarsalur or the Main Auditorium at the University of Iceland on Tuesday the 30th of January 2024. [Lars Hulgård](#) professor at Roskilde University was the keynote speaker at the conference with his lecture on *“Ecosystem of social innovation and entrepreneurship in the Nordic Welfare State”* a valuable contribution to our project which aims to empower and enhance social innovation competencies among students and practitioners in the welfare and third sector. Stella, Katla, and Sara, a group of students in social work inspired us with their presentation of their social project and enterprise *“Sara Girl with ADHD”* where they built on their own lived experience and are now about to publish their children's book and website for girls, parents, and teachers working with ADHD girls. Our partner Nele from Vives University of Applied Science presented Vives training approaches in social innovation building on user-driven design. [Magnús Þór](#) associate professor in the faculty of business presented [Start-up social](#) and [Spark-Social](#), accelerator and interdisciplinary and international training course and Hannes Ottóson presented a course for future teachers in social innovation and entrepreneurship that will be taught in the faculty of education next fall.

The conference was held in English and you can access a [recording](#) of it and give us your feedback as well through an [online survey](#).

## Final partner meeting and finalization of the project results

Partners held their final meeting on 31 January and are now finalizing project results and study material on the project [website](#) and [learning platform](#).

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