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Key words

The Press is characterized by:

- Outstanding research publications for academic communities around the world
- Transformation of research into trade books for the *general reader*
- Knowledge dissemination on multiple platforms, from radio to apps
- Collaborative partnerships for maximum outreach
- Top-quality book craftsmanship
- The strongest English publishing line in the Nordic region
- Membership of the Association of University Presses (AUPresses)

Profile

Aarhus University Press is a not-for-profit publisher of scholarly literature and mainstream non-fiction publications. Our aim is to disseminate knowledge. All academic and popular books undergo rigorous editorial support, attentive quality control and diligent design processes, and they share a strong academic base. All publications are peer reviewed.

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