On 18th August, a knife attack occurred in the centre of Turku, in the Central Market Square and the Puutori Market Square. In the wake of such dramatic events, strong feelings generally arise, but also a will to understand it all. We talk to each other to create order amongst the many thoughts and impressions that can be contradictory and difficult to comprehend. With this survey, we hope to gather contemporary documentation that can be meaningful for future researchers, who wants to find out how people perceived and coped with the events in Turku on 18th August.

The archives of cultural research Cultura at Åbo Akademi University is now looking for and collecting experiences connected to the events together with the department of ethnology at University of Turku.

Please fill in your year of birth and gender. You do not have to reply to all the questions, as it is also possible to arrange your replies independently, narrate freely. It is also possible to send pictures as attachments to the replies. Please give more information on those if you do so! The e-survey will close on 1st November 2017.

The replies will be archived at the archive of cultural research Cultura at Åbo Akademi University, and are accessible only to the archiving personnel. The survey is conducted in co-operation with the department of Ethnology at the University of Turku.

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The events in Turku on 18th August 2017 - Survey

How did you find out what had happened and how did you react?
How did you find out what had happened? What did you do and where were you then? How did you react? What were your thoughts when you found out what had happened? What did you do?

Have you been to the locations of the events since?
Have you been to the locations of the events since to visit the location or the memorial at the Central Market Square? Why/why not?

Have you taken part in memorials connected to the events?
Did you partake in some kind of memorial connected to the events, for example the memorial that took place on Turku Day on 17th September at the Aura River and at the Turku Cathedral? Why/why not?

Did the events affect your everyday life?
Did the events affect your everyday life? Were there any changes in your everyday routines or at your workplace due to the events? How did your family handle the events?

Did you report yourself as being safe?
Did you report yourself as being safe, for example on social media?

Experiences afterwards
How did you relate to media, news, and rumors? In the days that followed, did your perception of the events change? Have you discussed the events with eyewitnesses? If you have, then how?

About the respondent

Year of birth ____________________

Gender Male Female Other

Thank you for replying!