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PERSONAL INFORMATION

- Knowledge of Languages: English, Norwegian, German, Amharic and some Somali
Current position: Associate professor in International Relations, **University of Life Science (100%)**, Freelance Analyst
Janes Defence Group.
- Area of interest: Piracy, Political Islam, military doctrines, Sahel and the Horn of Africa, Middle East (Arabia Felix; Yemen), Collapsed states, Political philosophy (Collingwood and Islamic philosophy).

RELEVANT EDUCATION

- 1993-1996 **University of Oslo**
- Candidatus Magistrati (B.A. four years), Basic philosophy, Economics Foundation level, Two majors, one in History one in Political Science,
- 1996-1999 **University of Oslo/UC Berkeley**
- Candidatus Polit (Hovedfag) (Political science), nominally two and a half year with statistical training and a Phd course). Dissertation (40.000 words): *Somalia, the collapse of a state.*
- 1999 **University of Oslo**
- Part III Social Economics, Economic history. Dissertation: *Eritrea, A new industrial revolution?*
- 1999-2004 **University of Oslo**
- Candidatus Philologi (Hovedfag). (History), nominally two and a half year with research training. Master dissertation(40.000 words): *Development of military doctrine*
- 2001 – 2006 **Aberystwyth, University of Wales**
- PhD: The thesis: *A question of culture?: Ethiopian decision making and the Ethiopian-Eritrean war.*

Selected education from the Norwegian army/Norwegian national guard (National



guard is part time while studying)

1998 Psychology of Law and Conflict; **The Infantry Remote learning school**

1998 Staff training course; **Norwegian Staff academy**

ACADEMIC AWARDS RECEIVED/ RELEVANT ACCADEMIC EXPERIENCES

- Member of the “Conflict in Africa” research and study group headed by former Egyptian representative to OAU, spokesperson for the G77 to United Nations, dr Magdy Hefney. (1997-1999)
- Received UNIFOR grant in 1998.
- Convener, Aberystwyth constructivist society (2001-2002)
- Received professor Morgenstiernes fellowship in 2002.
- Received a 108.000 £ research grant to do research on the war economy of Mogadishu, January 2006. The report is being published as a book in 2011
- Received a 130.000 £ research grant to do research on The Muslim brotherhood and their role in Development in 2008
- Received a 80000 £ research grant to do research on Political Stability and Islamism in Somalia in 2008
- Received a 80000 £ research grant to do research on Piracy in Somalia in 2009
- Received a 80000£ research grant to do research on the Kenyan Mungiki 2009
- Received a 180000 £ research grant to do research on the United Nations Role in the War Economies of Yemen, Sudan and Somalia in 2010
- Received a 80000 £ research grant to do research on the Diaspora medias Role in the the Somali Conflict in 2010
- Reviver ; Journal of Critical Terrorist Studies
- Reviewer; Journal of Ethnopolitics
- Member of international advisory group; Institute of practical research, Hargeisa
- Member HTT advisory group, University of Swansea, Wales
- Nominated for the Mary Tacker award at The University of Bath in 2006.

SELECTED PREVIOUS WORK EXPERIENCE

1 August 2009 to PD: Associate Professor, University of Life Sciences, Norway.

-Lectures in Political Islam, Critical Security Studies, Intelligence studies, International Relations theory.

1 March 2007 to 1 August 2009 : Senior Researcher, Department of International Studies, Norwegian institute for Urban and Regional Research (NIBR)

Working on research projects focusing on Education and Islamism in Pakistan, Service delivery in Fragile States, Crime groups in East Africa (Mungiki), Pirates,



Islamist groups in East Africa. **2007-2009 I was working 30% with Policy analysis for the Norwegian ministry of foreign affairs activities in Somalia.**

September 2005 to February 2007: Lecturer, International Relations, university of Bath.

- I lectured in “History of International relations theory”, “Africa regional specialization”, and “The politics of development”
- Research director for the “Enemies or Allies” project on war economies

2004 Spring Term: Department of International Politics, University of Wales at Aberystwyth

- I taught and lectured in the undergraduate course “Middle East politics”, I also participated in a major review of the curriculum of this course.

2004-2005; Lecturer and Tutor University of Oslo; Political Theory and comparative politics.

- I lectured in “Comparative problems in politics”, and tutored in Political theory.

2002-2003 (Fall and Spring Term) Department of Political Science and International relations, University of Addis Ababa, Ethiopia.

- I lectured on master’s level and on undergraduate level in the courses, “philosophy of Science and Advanced Research Methodology” and “Theories and philosophy of the state” I also participated in a major review of the curriculum of the first course.

Selected non- academic work experience

- June-July 2010, University of Oslo (Centre for Human Rights, NORDEM)/Norwegian refugee council
- October 2010, Advising the United States State Department on pirate finances
- May 2010, trainer, the European Commission, on Islamism in East Africa
- March 2010 lecturer, NATO operative HQ, Northwood, Piracy
- May 2008, Instructor in Kaduna military academy (Nigeria) for the British Ministry of Defense

November 2004 to February 2005, The Norwegian Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

I did a major review of the Norwegian strategies in the Nairobi process (The Somali peace negotiations); a 66 pages report was produced and distributed within the department and to NGOs working in Somalia, suggesting changes and improvements in Norwegian politics.

- January 2004 to February 2005; Advisor for UCID (Somaliland socialistic party), regarding their foundation of a female branch organization. Evaluating their gender programs, as well as international cooperation.
- May 2003, University of Oslo (Centre for Human Rights, NORDEM)/Norwegian refugee council. Political analysts for Nordems electoral observer mission to Somaliland
- December 2002 to January 2003, United Nations, UNMEE Political Office Worked with UNMEE political affairs officer, Mathias Leitner, establishing a



diplomatic back channel to the Ethiopian ministry of foreign affairs.

- **January 2005 to 2010**
- Analyst, Risk Intelligence, focusing on Maritime security in the greater Horn of Africa (Yemen, Somalia, Eritrea, Djibouti, Kenya)

I have previously also worked with the promotion of Somali emigrant rights in Norway.

SELECTED EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

- Voluntary project coordinator for Somali Youth And Sports, Norway (1998-2000)
- Member of the security think-tank of Oslo labour party, sending a rapport to then Prime Minister Torbjørn Jagland on the Norwegian security situation.
- Member of the Norwegian Atlantic Committee
- Member of international Advisory Board, institute of practical research, Hargeisa (Somaliland/Somalia).
- Member of the Scandinavian Horn of Africa Network
- Member of Bisa
- Member of Naspir

BOOKS

The development of Doctrines in the Norwegian Homeguard, Abstrakt forlag, 2007 (Oslo).

(“A must for anyone interested in military history” General Fredrik Bull Hansen)

“The borders of Islam”, Hurst/ Columbia university press, April 2009 (London/ New York), with Tuncay Karadas and Atle Mesøy (with detailed analysis of the borders between Islam and Christianity in Sahel)

COMMISSIONED JOURNALS

With Peter Chalk, *Journal of Terrorism and Conflict Studies* (forthcoming), special issue on global piracy

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS IN PEER REVIEWED ACADEMIC JOURNALS

-“ The status of Modern-Day Piracy” *Journal of Terrorism and Conflict Studies* (forthcoming), with Peter Chalk

-“ The Somali Cluster” *Journal of Terrorism and Conflict Studies* (forthcoming)

-“ The Civil Maritime Sector and their counter-piracy strategies” *Journal of Terrorism and Conflict Studies* (forthcoming)



- “Conclusions, the future of piracy” *Journal of Terrorism and Conflict Studies* (forthcoming)
- “Revenge or Reward? The case of Somalia’s suicide bombers” *Journal of Terrorism Research* 1(1)
- “The Impact of Private Security Companies on Somalia’s Governance Networks”, *Cambridge Review of International Affairs* (2009) (with Christopher Kinsey and George Franklin)
- “Helpers or Proxies? The Politics of Private Military Force in Somalia” *Review of African Political Economy* 35:116, Winter 2008
- “Somaliland: A New Democracy in the Horn of Africa?”, *Review of African Political Economy* 34:114, Fall 2007 (with Marl Bradbury)
- “Warlords and Peace Strategies,”, *Journal of Conflict Studies*, volume xxii:2. Fall 2003
- “Warlords, Patrimony, Ethnicism, the cases of China, Afghanistan and Somalia””, *Peace Research* :35:2 Summer 2003

Selected Non-peer reviewed publications in periodicals

- “ Shabab central: Africa's 'Taliban' grows more unified” . *Janes Intelligence Review* 16/11
- “Faction fluctuation - The shifting allegiances within Hizbul Islam” *Janes Intelligence Review* 6/11 (2010)
- “ Yemen, Et stammesamfunn med problemer” *Hvor Hender Det (Norwegian institute of foreign Policy)(NUPI)(2010)*
- ”Somalia, Islamister og Pirater” *Hvor Hender Det (Norwegian institute of foreign Policy)(NUPI)(2010)*



- “The Enemies Enemy- Eritrea’s involvement in Somalia” *Janes Intelligence review* vol 21/10 (2009)

-“Misspent Youth” *Jane’s Intelligence Review* 20/10(2008).

(“The best ever open source study of the Harakat Al Shebab islamist group; Professor David Shinn, George Washington University, USA)

(“The Clearest analysis of the most important sub-saharan jihadist group i have ever seen, David Schanches, MALO, American Central Command)

(“The best analysis of Al Shebab ever”, Ibrahim Farah, lecturer Nairobi University)

- “Modern Piracy as a subject of academic enquiry”, *International Relations*, January 2008

- “Somalia’s fragmentation” *Foreign Policy* (August 2008)

-“ The Destabilization of Puntland: The Decline of Somalia’s Strategic Semi-Autonomous Region and its Implications for Maritime Security” *Strategic insights* 11(4) 2008. (with Karsten von Hoesslin and Hans Tino Hansen)

-“Tug of war : territorial shifts in northern Somalia” , *Jane’s Intelligence Review* 19:12 (2007)

-“Biding time; an interview with Omar Idriss of the Sharia court alliance”, *Jane’s Intelligence Review* 19:5 (2007)

-“Anarchy and Meddling neighbors”, *Islamic Affairs Analyst* (August) 2007

-“Ethiopia’s deployment to Somalia”, *Jane’s Intelligence Review* 18:2(2006)

-“Pirates of the Horn”, *Beacon* 188:2(2006) (with Atle Mesøy)

-“The Pirates of The Horn- State Collapse and the Maritime Threat”, *Strategic insights* 1(2) 2006 (with Atle Mesøy)

-“Somalia provides a test case of counter-terrorist efforts”, *Jane’s Intelligence Review* 16:9, 2004



Research reports/Working Papers

- with Berit Linderman :“Somaliland, the elections and its implications”, *Nordem Reports* 3/2003, University of Oslo
- with Rangnhild Hollekim and Geir Moe Sørensen :“ Somaliland: Elections For The Lower House Of Parliament September 2005, *Nordem Reports* 1/2006, University of Oslo
- “Civil War economies, the hunt for profit and the incentives for peace”, Enemies or Allies working paper 1 (2007), University of Bath/University of Mogadishu
- “Service deliver in fragile states”, NIBR workingpaper 119 (2008)
- “ Pirates in the greater gulf of Aden; Myths and Misconceptions”;Nibr rapport 2009:29
- ” The Muslim Brotherhood in the Wider Horn of Africa” Nibr rapport 2009: 33
- “Smuggling in the Greater Gulf of Aden” Independent report for *Graypage*, London
- “Who are the pirates” Independent report for *Graypage*, London
- With Linda Kartewich “Somaliland Elections 2010” *Nordem Reports* 3/2010,

EVALUATIONS:

- Evaluating Peace Negotiations with islamists, LPI ,
- Evaluating the PMV centre in Mogadishu 2008
- Evaluating Norwegian policies and aid policies towards Somalia 2004

Mphil and PHD dissertations

- MPHIL Political Science: “Somalia; the collapse of a state”, 1999, University of Oslo, Department of political science
- MPHIL History: “Doctrinal development of the Norwegian army in a constructivist perspective” 2004, University of Oslo, Department of History
- PhD Thesis: ”Frames of War, the causes of the Eritrean-Ethiopian War”, University of Wales in Aberystwyth.

I have also functioned as an expert commentator for the following newspapers, Radios and television stations:

Global: *Al Jazeera* (both English and Arabic), *BBC world service*, *AFP*, *CNN*

USA: *Voice of America*, *Mcclatchy*, *The Global Post*

Norwegian: *Dagbladet*, *VG*, *Klassekampen*, *Vårt Land*, *Aftenposten*, *Bistandsnytt*, *NRK Dagsnytt 18*, *NRK Alt I Nyheter*, *TV2. Klassekampen (Military: Forsvarets Forum, Heimeverns bladet)*, *NTB*.

Netherlands; *Handelsblatte*

Kenyan: *The Standard*, *KTN*



Somalia/Somaliland: *Mandeq, Somaliland Times, RamaNews*

France: *Radio France, Le Monde*

Ethiopia: *Addis Zamen*

Brazil: *Curier Braseilaise*

Czech republic: *Czech Pravda*

Italy: *PeaceReporter press agency*

United Kingdom: *BBC 4, Bath chronicle*

Poland: *Warszawa Gazetta*

Australia; *ABC*

Canada; *CBC, The Globe and The Mail*

REFERENCES

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