



# Curriculum vitae with track record

## ROLE IN THE PROJECT

Project manager  Project partner

## PERSONAL INFORMATION

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## EDUCATION

2012 PhD: Disputation date: 20.09.2012. Applied Ethics,  
Department of Philosophy, Stellenbosch University, South Africa  
*Title: 'Complexity, Peacebuilding & Coherence: Implications of Complexity for the  
Peacebuilding Coherence Dilemma'*

2002 Masters: Peace Studies,  
Department of Conflict Resolution and Peace Studies, University of KwaZulu-Natal,  
South Africa

## CURRENT AND PREVIOUS POSITIONS

2012 - Senior Researcher, Peace, Conflict and Development Research Group, Norwegian  
Institute of International Affairs (NUPI), Norway

2019- Co-coordinator of the NUPI Center for UN and Global Governance

2006-2012 Researcher, Norwegian Institute of International Affairs (NUPI), Norway

2003- Senior Advisor, The African Centre for the Constructive Resolution of Disputes  
(ACCORD), South Africa

2002 Training Officer, Department of Peacekeeping Operations, United Nations

2001 Political Affairs Officer, UN Transitional Administration in East Timor

1997-2000 Programme Manager, ACCORD, South Africa

1994-1997 2<sup>nd</sup> Secretary, South African Permanent Mission to the African Union, Addis Ababa

1992-1997 3<sup>rd</sup> Secretary, South African Embassy to the United States, Washington D.C.

1988-1992 Assistant Director, Department of Foreign Affairs, South Africa

## SUPERVISION OF GRADUATE STUDENTS AND RESEARCH FELLOWS

2018 Advisor PhD student, University of Trento, Italy  
Supervisor Doctoral Fellow, NUPI  
Faculty Opponent, PhD, School of Global Studies, University of Gothenburg, Sweden  
x3 External Examiner, Masters, Department of Political Science, University of Oslo, Norway

2017 x2 External Examiner, Masters, Department of Political Science, University of Oslo, Norway

2015 External Examiner, Masters, Department of Political Science, University of Oslo, Norway

2014 External Opponent Trial examination, PhD, Department of Political Science, University of

Oslo, Norway

2008 Supervisor, Masters, Department of Political Science, University of Oslo, Norway

## **TEACHING ACTIVITIES**

2019 Department of Peace Studies, Arctic University of Norway, Tromsø

2018 Department of Political Science, Foreign Studies University of Beijing, China

2017 Department of Political Science, University of Tokyo, Japan

## **PROJECT MANAGEMENT EXPERIENCE**

2018-2022 Project Manager, Effectiveness of Peace Operations Network, NORGLOBAL

2015-2017 Co-principal Investigator, New Actors in Peacebuilding Research Project, together with Prof. Charles T. Call, American University, Carnegie Corporation of New York and the Norwegian Ministry of Foreign Affairs

2015-2017 Project Manager, United Nations at 70: A New Agenda, Norwegian Ministry of Foreign Affairs

2015-2017 Project Manager, Peace Capacities Network, Norwegian Ministry of Foreign Affairs

2013-2015 Project Manager, UN Peacebuilding Architecture, Norwegian Ministry of Foreign Affairs

2012-2015 Project Manager, Civilian Capacities Network, Norwegian Ministry of Foreign Affairs

1997- Project Manager (for periods) and researcher, Training for Peace in Africa Project, Norwegian Ministry of Foreign Affairs

## **COMMISSIONS OF TRUST**

2018-2020 Academic Advisor for the Research Center on United Nations and International Organisations, Beijing Foreign Studies University, China

2018- Lead Author, African Union Peace Support Operations Strategic Doctrine

2017- Senior Advisor, Comprehensive Performance Assessment System (CPAS) for UN Peacekeeping Operations, UN Department of Peace Operations

2017 United Nations Expert Reference Group for the Independent Review of Capacities of United Nations Agencies, Funds and Programmes to Sustain Peace

2016 Advisor to the Special Representative of the Chairperson of the African Union Commission for the Peace Fund

2015-2016 Advisory Board, UN Office for Internal Oversight Services, Inspection and Evaluation Department

2013 Deputy Head, African Union Team of Experts, Assessing the Readiness of the African Standby Force (ASF)

2013 African Union Team of Experts, Strategic Assessment of the African Union Mission to Somalia (AMISOM)

2013-2015 Expert Reference Group, Global Thematic Consultation on Conflict, Violence and Disaster of the Post-2015 Development Agenda, United Nations

2011 Senior Expert Review Group, Greening the Blue: Peacekeeping, Natural Resources and the Environment

2010-2011 UNICEF Advisory Group on Education in Peacebuilding Project

2010-2015 Senior Advisor to the Head of the African Union's Peace Support Operations Division

2012-2014 UN Secretary-General's Advisory Board for the UN Peacebuilding Fund

2007-2008 Advisor, African Union Conflict Management Division (AU CMD), on the modalities, scope and work plan of the Panel of the Wise

2006-2007 Advisor, NORAD (Norwegian Development Cooperation Agency), development of the

OECD/DAC Guidance on the Evaluation of Conflict Prevention and Peacebuilding Activities  
2000-2001 President, International Association of Peacekeeping Training Centres (IAPTC)

## Track record

Publication summary: 23 Peer Reviewed Journal articles; 30 chapters in books; 8 co-edited books

Selected Journal articles:

**Adaptive peacebuilding**, *International Affairs*, 94:2, 2018

**Peace enforcement in Africa: Doctrinal distinctions between the African Union and United Nations**, *Contemporary Security Policy*, 38:1, 2017.

**From peacebuilding to sustaining peace: Implications of complexity for resilience and sustainability**, *Resilience*, 4:3, 2016.

with John Karlsrud and Paul Troost, ‘Towards More People-Centric Peace Operations: From ‘Extension of State Authority’ to ‘Strengthening Inclusive State-Society Relations’’. *Stability: International Journal of Security & Development*, 4(1): 49, 2015.

**Understanding peacebuilding as essentially local**, *Stability: International Journal of Security & Development*, 2:1, 2013.

with Matthew Freear, **Lessons from the African Union Mission for Somalia (AMISOM) for Peace Operations in Mali**, in *Stability: International Journal of Security and Development*, 2 (2):23, 2013.

with John Karlsrud & Ingrid Marie Breidlid, **Turning to the South: Civilian Capacity in the Aftermath of Conflict**, in *Global Governance*, Vol. 19:2, 2013.

**Civilian peacekeeping capacity: Mobilizing partners to match supply and demand**, Special Edition on ‘Partnerships – a New Horizon for Peacekeeping’, *International Peacekeeping*, 18:5, 2011.

with Audun Solli, Benjamin de Carvalho & Mikkel Pedersen, **Training in Vain? Bottlenecks in Deploying Civilians for UN Peacekeeping**, *International Peacekeeping*, 18:4, 2011.

**Moving beyond the technical: Facing up to peacebuilding’s inherent contradictions**, *African Security Review*, 20:1, 2011.

with Karsten Friis, **Coherence & coordination: The limits of the comprehensive approach**, *Journal of International Peacekeeping*, 15:1-2, 2011.

**Mediation and peacebuilding: The role of SRSGs in UN integrated missions**, Special Edition on Mediation in Post-Conflict Peace Operations, *Global Governance*, 16:2, 2010.

**The evolution of peace operations in Africa: Trajectories and trends**, *Journal of International Peacekeeping*, 14:1-2, 2010.

**The coherence dilemma in peacebuilding and post-conflict reconstruction systems**, *African Journal on Conflict Resolution*, 8:3, 2008.

Edited books:

with Mateja Peter (eds), **UN Peace Operations in a Changing Global Order**, Palgrave, 2019.

with Charles T. Call (eds), **Rising Powers and Peacebuilding**, Palgrave, 2017.

with Chiyuki Aoi and John Karlsrud (eds), **UN Peacekeeping Doctrine in a New Era**, Routledge, 2017.

with Emery Brusset and Bryn Hughes (eds), **Insights from Complexity Thinking for Peacebuilding Practice and Evaluation**, Palgrave, 2016.

with Eli Stamnes (eds), **UN Peacebuilding Architecture: The First Ten Years**, Routledge, 2016.

with Linnea Gelot and John Karlsrud (eds), **The Future of African Peace Operations: From the Janjaweed to Boko Haram**, Zed Books, 2016.

with Liselotte Odgaard & Thomas Mandrup (eds), **BRICS and Coexistence: An Alternative Vision of World Order**, Routledge, 2015.

with Chiyuki Aoi and Ramesh Thakur (eds), **Unintended Consequences of Peacekeeping Operations**, United Nations University Press, 2007.

Selected Chapters in Books:

**Implications of stabilization mandates for the use of force in UN peace operations**, in Peter Nadin (ed.), “The Use of Force in UN Peacekeeping Operations”, Routledge, 2018.

with Neesla Tschirgi, **The Challenge of Sustaining Peace**, in William Durch, Joris Larik & Richard Ponzio (eds.), “Just Security in an Undergoverned World”, Oxford University Press, 2018.

**The Elusive Coherence of Building Peace**, in Julian Junk, Francesco Mancini, Wolfgang Seibel, and Till Blume (eds.), *The Management of UN Peacekeeping: Coordination, Learning, and Leadership in Peace Operations*, Lynne Rienner, 2017.

**Complexity Theory: Implications for Measuring Peacebuilding Progress**, In Williams, Andrew; Bexfield, James; Farina, Fabrizio Fitzgerald & de Nijs, Johannes (eds), *Innovation in Operations Assessment: Recent Developments in Measuring Results in Conflict Environments*, NATO, 2013.

**Civil-Military Coordination and Complex Peacebuilding Systems**, in Ankersen, C. (ed.) *Civil-Military Cooperation in Post-Conflict Operations Emerging Theory and Practice*, Routledge, 2008.