

# Curriculum vitae – Per Erik SOLLI

## PERSONAL INFORMATION

Norwegian Nationality. Born March 5th 1961. Live in the city of Bodø in Northern Norway. Married to Ms. Siv CARLSEN and have two adult daughters. Retired Colonel from the Royal Norwegian Air Force.



## POSITIONS

### Current Positions

- 2021- Senior Defence Analyst/Norwegian Institute of international Affairs (NUPI)/Norway.
- 2019- Senior Adviser/Nord University/Norway.

### Previous positions held

- 2021-2022 Senior Adviser and Project Leader/Norwegian Aviation Museum/Norway.
- 2015-2019 Defence Attaché to the Netherlands, Belgium, Denmark and Luxemburg, The Norwegian Embassy, The Hague.
- 2014-2015 Member of the Secretariat, The Defence Minister's Expert Commission on Norwegian Defence Policy, Oslo.
- 2011-2014 Senior Military Advisor, Norwegian Institute of International Affairs (NUPI), Oslo.
  - Visiting Scholar, University of Iceland in May 2014
  - Visiting Fellow, Institute for National Strategic Studies, National Defense University, Washington D.C. in Feb-Mar 2014
  - Visiting Fellow, Institute of Defence and Strategic Studies, S.Rajaratnam School of International Studies, Singapore in Oct-Dec 2013.
- 2005-2011 Director and Project Manager, Joint Battlelab & Experimentation (NOBLE), Bodø.
- 2003-2004 Executive Officer, 132 Air Wing, Bodø Air Force Base.
- 2002-2003 Commander, Air Force Training Center, Rygge.
- 2000-2002 Staff Officer, Department of Management and Financial Governance, Ministry of Defence, Oslo.
- 1999-2000 Staff Officer, Chief of Defense's Strategic Defence Review 2000, Oslo.
- 1996-1997 Commander, Air Force Tactical Flying School, Rygge Air Force Base.
- 1995-1996 Military Fellow, Norwegian Institute of International Affairs (NUPI), Oslo.
- 1994-1995 Plans Officer, Air Operations Center in National Joint Headquarter, Bodø.
- 1993-1994 Senior Close Air Support Staff Officer in Operation Deny Flight, Bosnia.
- 1985-1993 F-16 fighter pilot, instructor, and flight commander, 331 Squadron, Bodø Air Force Base.

## HIGHER EDUCATION

1999	<i>Master in International Relations (Phi Sigma Alpha)</i>	Auburn University.
1998	<i>Executive Master in Military Operational Art and Science</i>	US Air Force's Air Command and Staff College.
1987-89	<i>Bachelor in Social Science</i>	Norwegian Air Force Academy.

## OTHER MERITS

### INTERNATIONAL LECTURES AND PRESENTATIONS:

"Nordic Cross Border Basing", The Annual Air Power Symposium, The Royal Swedish Academy of War Sciences, Stockholm, 18 May 2022.

"The War in Ukraine and Consequence for Norway", Annual Nordic Security Seminar, Finland's Ministry of Defence, Helsinki, 4 May 2022.

"Nordic Airpower Cooperation", The Royal Swedish Academy of War Sciences, 26 January 2022.

"Maritime Security", NATO-Japan Security Symposium 2020, Tokyo 19 November 2020 (Hybrid event).

"Changing security dynamics in the North Atlantic and Arctic", Centre for Military Studies, University of Copenhagen, 18 December 2019.

"From Spitfire to F-35", Norwegian Air Force F-35 Official Initial Operational Capability (IOC) Ceremony, Rygge Air Station, 6 November 2019.

Presentations of RUSI White Paper series publication «Security in Northern Europe» in 2018-19. (Bodø, Norfolk, Reykjavik, Odense, Copenhagen, Torshavn, Paris, Rotterdam, Brussels, Luxemburg, Beijing).

Presentations of RUSI White Paper series publication «NATO and the North Atlantic» in 2017. (Paris, Brussel, Haag, Berlin, Copenhagen, Reykjavik, Bodø).

«The Future of the Air Force Readiness System – Are We Prepared for the Unexpected?» Chief of the Air Force's Leadership Conference, Trondheim, 22 September 2015.

«China's Military Modernization and Changes to the Balance of Power in the Pacific», Oslo Military Society, 13 April 2015.

«Western Sanctions against Russia: Will the Ukrainian Crisis Affect Arctic Cooperation?» University of Iceland/EDDA symposium, Reykjavik, 28 mai 2014.

«Managing the Air Commons in Maritime Asia», Center for New American Security (CNAS) seminar, Washington D.C., 7 March 2014.

«Coming into the Cold: Asia's Arctic Interests», RSIS, Singapore, 4 December 2013.

«Rethinking NATO's Future Role in Global Security», RSIS, Singapore, 29 November 2013.

## INTERNATIONAL PUBLICATIONS:

Wrenn Yennie Lindgren Per Erik Solli, *Evolving Japan–NATO Relations in the Leadup to the Madrid Summit*, Royal United Services Institute (RUSI) Commentary, 28 June 2022.

Per Erik Solli and Øystein Solvang, *Finland and Sweden's Path Towards NATO*, Royal United Services Institute (RUSI) Commentary, 13 April 2022.

Solli, Per Erik and Solvang, Øystein, *Nordic Airpower Cooperation and Finland's F-35 decision: Towards a New Era?* NUPI Policy Brief 10, 13 December 2021.

Peer Reviewer for RUSI staff on Olsen, John Andreas (ed), *Security in Northern Europe, Deterrence, Defence and Dialogue*. RUSI Whitehall Series, 2018.

Solli, Per Erik, Wilson Rowe, Elana and Yennie Lindgren, Wrenn. *The Arctic Interests of Asian States*. Presented to the Centre on Asia and Globalisation (CAG) and Valdai Conference "Developing Asia Pacific's Last Frontier: Fostering International Cooperation in the Development of Russia's Siberia and Far-East" at the National University of Singapore, 16-18 December 2013.

Solli, Per Erik. *Asian States in the Arctic: Opportunities and Environmental Changes*. RSIS Commentaries No. 229/2013, Institute of Defence and Strategic Studies, S. Rajaratnam School of International Studies (RSIS), 17 December 2013.

Solli, Per Erik, Wilson Rowe, Elana and Yennie Lindgren, Wrenn. *Coming into the Cold: Asia's Arctic Interests*. NUPI Policy Brief 11-2013. August 2013.

Solli, Per Erik, Wilson Rowe, Elana and Yennie Lindgren, Wrenn. *Coming into the Cold: Asia's Arctic Interests*. Polar Geography, DOI: 10.1080/1088937X.2013.825345. 30 July 2013.

Eide, Espen Barth & Per Erik Solli. *Implementing Peace: Some reflections on the early days of the Dayton Year* (Preliminary version). Presented to the CDS-CSIA Workshop "The Implementation of the Dayton-Paris Peace Agreement: The Role of IFOR" at the John F. Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University, 28-29 August 1996.

Rønnfeldt, Carsten F. and Per Erik Solli, eds. *Use of Air Power in Peace Operations*. Oslo: Norwegian Institute of International Affairs (NUPI), 1996.

Solli, Per Erik. *In Bosnia, Deterrence Failed and Coercion Worked*. Use of Air Power in Peace Operations. NUPI, 1996.

Solli, Per Erik. *UN and NATO Air Power in the former Yugoslavia*. NUPI Report Nr.209, October 1996.

MacKinlay, John and Per Erik Solli. *Ukraine Comes of Age*. Jane's International Defence Review (May 96).

Eide, Espen Barth og Per Erik Solli. *From Blue to Green: The Transition from UNPROFOR to IFOR*. NUPI Working Paper No.239, December 95.

## BOARD POSITIONS:

2020- Steering group member, The National Cold War Museum Project.

2019- Advisory Board Member for "Luftled" (Norwegian Air Power Journal).

2010-12 Chairman of the Board - Bodø Military Society.

## PROJECT EXPERIENCE

- 2022-            Project Leader NUPI - Climate Change, global security and future operations (CLIMSEC). A multinational project with participants from Canada, Denmark France, Norway, Poland, Romania, Sweden, Germany, USA and Austria. NUPI's role is both to lead the international project and to contribute with professional experts in three sub-projects:
1. Sustainability and mitigation of climate effects on infrastructure and personnel
  2. Climate change and demand for military capabilities for disaster relief and stabilization missions
  3. The role of climate change in interstate conflicts/ regional power competition.
- 2021-            Project Leader National Cold War Museum. The task is to make a plan to rebuild and reuse a military 10.000 square meter underground facility for a future civilian owner.
- 2020-            Project Leader of a book project for the Norwegian Air Force documenting the history of Bodø Air Force Base. Participants in the project are both civilian and military experts.
- 2005-2011       Director and Project Manager for an innovation organization executing projects for the Norwegian military and NATO to produce new capabilities for the special forces plus the army, navy and air forces. The project teams were ad hoc and tailored to each project, and members included persons from the military, civilian institutes and industry. The number of projects pr year varied from three to eight.
- 1996-1997       Project Lead – P7518 New Roles and Missions for the Air Force Fighter Aircraft.