

Curriculum Vitae - Kristin Fjæstad

PERSONAL INFORMATION

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EDUCATION

2020 PhD in International Relations
Title: 'Identity and development: Kazakhstan's transformation from recipient to donor of development assistance'
School of International Relations, University of St Andrews, UK

2009-2010 Master of Science in Development Studies with Special Reference to Central Asia
School of Oriental and African Studies (SOAS), UK

2004-2008 Bachelor in Economics
Department of Economics, University of Oslo, Norway

2002-2003 Russian language and officer's trainings course
Norwegian Defence Intelligence and Security School, Norway

CURRENT AND PREVIOUS POSITIONS

2020- Senior research fellow and group leader, **Research group on Russia, East Asia and International Trade, Norwegian Institute of International Affairs**

2013- 2019 Research fellow
Research group on Russia, East Asia and International Trade, Norwegian Institute of International Affairs

2011-2013 Junior Research Fellow
Russia, Eurasia and Arctic Research Group, Norwegian Institute of International Affairs

Jan- Jun 2011 Teaching and Research Fellow
OSCE Academy in Bishkek, Kyrgyz Republic

Aug 2010 – Intern and consultant
International Media Support, Denmark

Jan-Jun 2008 Trainee
Royal Norwegian Embassy in Baku, Azerbaijan

2004-2008 Analyst
Norwegian Defence Security Agency

ACADEMIC PUBLICATIONS

Fjæstad, Kristin and Heidi Kjærnet (2014). Performing statehood: Afghanistan as an arena for Central Asian states, *Central Asian Survey* 33 (3): 312-328.

Gjerde, Kristian Lundby and Kristin Fjæstad (2013). 'Det meste er nord': Støres største Satsning, *Internasjonal Politikk* 71 (3): 385-395.

Fjæstad, Kristin (2012). Demokratiske ideer og udemokratisk praksis: Internasjonal støtte til det kirgisiske parlamentet, *Nordisk Østforum* 26 (3-4): 263-286.

OTHER PUBLICATIONS

Fjæstad, Kristin (2014). ISAF's Withdrawal from Afghanistan – Central Asian Perspectives on Regional Security. Book review, *Nordisk Østforum* 28 (4): 384-386.

Fjæstad, Kristin, Kristian Lundby Gjerde and Natalia Moen-Larsen (2013). Leder: Norsk russlandspolitikk. *Nordisk Østforum* 27 (4).

Fjæstad, Kristin and Indra Øverland (2013). Norway and Central Asia. *EUCAM National Policies Series*.

Fjæstad, Kristin and Heidi Kjærnet (2013). Afghanistan og Sentral-Asia mot 2014. *NUPI policy brief*.

Fjæstad, Kristin (2013). A Chronicle of Violence. The Events in the South of Kyrgyzstan in June 2010 (Osh region). Book review, *Nordisk Østforum* 27 (1): 88-89.

Øverland, Indra and Kristin Fjæstad (2012). Energy Elites in Central Asia: Kazakhstan, Turkmenistan and Uzbekistan. *RussCasp working paper*.

EDITORIAL EXPERIENCE

- Guest editor for special issue of *Nordisk Østforum* (27) 4: Norge i møte med Russland
- Peer reviewer for the following journals: *Central Asian Survey*, *Journal of Development Studies* and *Nordisk Østforum*.

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

2016. 'Aiding aid in Kazakhstan: UNDP and the Market for Development', paper presented with Minda Holm at International Studies Association conference in Atlanta, March.

2015. 'The big friendly giant? Kazakhstani aid to Afghanistan', paper presented at Association for the Studies of Nationalities (ASN) conference at Columbia University, April.

2014. 'The big friendly giant? Kazakhstani relations with Afghanistan since 2001', paper presented at OSCE Academy Regional Conference in Issyk-Kul, September.

2013. 'Afghanistan and Central Asia towards 2014', research project results presented at public seminar at NUPI, March.

2012. 'Democratic ideas and undemocratic practices: International assistance to the Kyrgyz parliament', paper presented at Association for the Studies of Nationalities (ASN) conference at Columbia University, April.

SUPERVISION OF GRADUATE STUDENTS

2013-2014 Co-supervision of 1 MA student in International Relations
Norwegian University of Life Sciences

2012-2015 Supervision of 4 MA Students
OSCE Academy in Bishkek, Kyrgyz Republic

ORGANISATION OF SCIENTIFIC MEETINGS

2014 Organizer 'Russia and global (dis)order', NUPI's annual Russia conference in Oslo December 2014, with scholars from Russia, US, Finland, Norway and UK

2011 Organizer 'Russian Elections – Parties, Parliament and Power', NUPI's annual Russia conference in Oslo November 2011, with scholars from Russia, UK, Finland and US

OTHER EXPERIENCE

2017- Associate researcher, Europe-Central Asia Monitoring (EUCAM)

2015 External Examiner for Master's thesis in Area Studies

Department of Literature, Area Studies and Languages, Faculty of Humanities, University of Oslo

2012 External Examiner for Master's thesis in Peace and Conflict Studies

Department of Political Science, Faculty of Social Sciences, University of Oslo

2012- Briefings and presentations about Central Asian politics for members of the Norwegian Parliament, the Immigration Directorate, Ministries of Defence and Foreign Affairs and others including OSCE election observers

2011- Member of standby force

Norwegian Resource Bank for Democracy and Human Rights