

Arne Strand - curriculum vitae

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Key Qualifications

Arne Strand is educated in Post-war Recovery Studies, with specialisation on coordination of humanitarian assistance in complex emergencies.

He has long experience of directing Norwegian NGOs work in Afghanistan, and in developing management and professional capacities of Afghan national NGOs and NGOs role in peacebuilding. And, more recently, managed a Cyprus based research/dialogue project.

During recent years he has been team leader/member of several evaluations in Afghanistan, reviewing the operations and strategies of the Afghan Government, UN agencies, Donors and NGOs. He has participated in several international studies and research projects on peacebuilding, migration and return processes, emergency response, development cooperation, good governance, NGO coordination, risk assessments and conflict sensitive approaches.

Education

- MA in Post-war Recovery Studies, Post-war Reconstruction and Development Unit (PRDU), University of York, 1998
- **PhD** in Post-war Recovery Studies, PRDU, University of York, 2004

Professional Experience

Chr. Michelsen Institute, Bergen, Norway

Deputy Director, 2010 -Research Director, 2009 - 2010 Senior Researcher, part-time, 2007 – 2009 Senior Researcher, 2004-2007 Researcher, 2002-2004 Affiliated Researcher, 1997-2002

PRIO Cyprus Centre, Nicosia, Cyprus

Centre Manager, 2007-2009

Norwegian Church Aid, Peshawar/ Kabul, Pakistan/Afghanistan,

Deputy Director, 1993-1997

Norwegian Refugee Council, Oslo, Norway

Desk Officer, Asia, 1991-1992

Norwegian Afghanistan Committee, Peshawar, Pakistan

Director, 1988-1991

Selected Project Experience

Afghanistan Review of support to traditional dispute resolution bodies.

Teamleader. Commissioned by US Institute of Peace, 2012

Afghanistan Achieving Durable Peace in Afghanistan.

Teammember. Research programme funded by Norwegian MFA, 2011

Pakistan Review of Norwegian Support to Good Governance in Pakistan.

Teammember. Commissioned by NORAD, 2011

Afghanistan Appraisal of Extended Rule of Law Project in Faryab, Afghanistan.

Teammember. Commissioned by NORAD, 2010

Afghanistan Review of Prison Advisory Project in Faryab, Afghanistan.

Teammember. Commissioned by NORAD, 2010

Pakistan Review of Norwegian Support to Madaris in NWFP.

Teammember. Commissioned by NORAD, 2010

Afghanistan Risk Assessment of Norwegian Involvement in Development of the

Afghan Oil and Gaz Industry. Teamleader. Commissioned by NORAD,

2010

Iraq Review of Norwegian Voluntary Return Programme to Iraq. Teamleader.

Commissioned by Norwegian Directorate of Immigration, 2009

Afghanistan Multi sector study: Understanding Afghanistan. Teammember.

Commissioned by UK Department for International Development, 2008

Afghanistan Review of Norwegian Voluntary Return Programme to Afghanistan.

Teamleader. Commissioned by Norwegian Directorate of Immigration,

2008

International Assessment of Conflict and Actors in Faryab Province, Afghanistan.

Teammember. Commissioned by NORAD/Norwegian MFA, 2007

International Organisational Performance Review of Norwegian Refugee Council

(NRC). Teamleader. Commissioned by NORAD, 2007

International Organisational Performance Review of Norwegian Church Aid (NCA).

Teamleader. Commissioned by NORAD, 2007

Pakistan Review of Norwegian Earthquake Assistance to Pakistan 2005 and 2006.

Teamleader. Commissioned by Norwegian Ministry of Foreign Affairs

(MFA), 2006

Afghanistan Mid-term Evaluation of the National Solidarity Programme (NSP),

Afghanistan. Teammember. Commissioned by the World Bank and

MRRD, 2006

Afghanistan Multidonor Evaluation of Assistance to Afghanistan, 2001 – early 2005.

Teamleader, Commissioned by Danida, DFID, Netherlands MFA,

Development Cooperation Ireland and Sida, 2005

Afghanistan Mine Action for Peace, Research Program, 2004

Afghanistan Conflictual Peacebuilding: Afghanistan Two Years after Bonn.

Teammember, Commissioned Study, Norwegian Ministry of Foreign

Affairs, 2004

International Community Driven Development in Conflict Contexts. Teamleader, World

Bank commissioned study, 2003

Afghanistan Evaluation of ACT International's Afghanistan Appeals 2001-2002.

Teamleader, study commissioned by ACT, 2003

Afghanistan Country study, for 'A review of peace operations: A case for change',

London: King's College, Teammember, study commissioned by Governments

of Canada, Germany, Norway, Sweden and United Kingdom.

Afghanistan UN Inter-agency Evaluation on Needs Assessment and Identification of

Vulnerable Population, Case Afghanistan. Team member, CMI team.

Commissioned by OCHA, UNHCR, UNICEF & WFP, 2001

Sri Lanka Review of the Consortium of Humanitarian Agencies (CHA), Sri Lanka.

Team member, PRDU team. Commissioned by CHA, 2001

International Evaluation of Sida's Contribution to Humanitarian Mine Action. Team

Member, SIPU/PRIO/PRDU team. Commissioned by Swedish International

Development Agency, 2001

Language Skills

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	Write	Read	Speak	Understand
Norwegian	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent
English	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent
Dari			Basic	Basic

Selected Publications

2013

With Akbar Sarwari and Erica Gaston 'Lessons Learned on Traditional Dispute Resolution' (forthcoming 2013), USIP Special Report. Washington D.C.: US Institute of Peace.

With Are Knudsen and Erlend Paasche 'War and Migration' in The Encyclopedia of Global Human Migration. Oxford: Blackwell Publishing Ltd.

'Perspectives of Local Violence: Revenge, Mediation and Conflict Resolution' in Schetter, Conrad (ed.). 2013. Local Politics in Afghanistan. A Century of Intervention in the Social Order. London/New York: Hurst and Columbia University Press PP.231-244

2012

With Erlend Paasche 'En komparativ analyse av to landbaserte retur- og integreringsprogrammer: Hva fungerer (ikke) i reintegreringsfasen?', i Berit Berg og Marko Valenta (red.): Asylsøker. I velferdsstatens venterom. Oslo: Universitetsforlaget pp. 205-224

2011

'Afghanistan: Political and cultural complexity' (2011) in Torgeir E. Sæveraas, (ed.).: 8 år i Afghanistan, quo vadis? Et seminar om militær maktanvendelse. GILs luftmaktseminar 2010. Trondheim: Tapir pp. 39-45.

2010

'Sustained Peacebuilding: The role of NGOs and Researchers' in Costas M. Constantinou and James Der Derian (Eds.) Sustainable Diplomacies. New York. Palgrave Macmillian,

2009

With Gunnar M Sørbø 'Land Issues and Poverty Reduction: Requirements for Lasting Peace in Sudan and Afghanistan' in The Poorest and the Hungry: Assessments, Analysis and Actions, Washington D.C.:IFPRI, pp. 216-226

'The Role of Civil Society and Academia' in Andreas Auer and Vasiliki Triga (Eds.): A Constitutional Convention for Cyprus. Berlin: Wissenschaftliger Verlag Berlin

2008

'Fighting for Peace? Former Combatants and the Afghan Peace Process' in Stephen Barannyi (Ed.): The Paradoxes of Peacebuilding Post-9/11. Vancouver/Toronto: UBC Press pp. 236-262

2007

'Ways to Regain Afghan Trust', in Human Security Bulletin. Vol. 5, 2007

2006

With Gunnar Olesen 'The Case of Afghanistan', in Post Conflict Interventions, Occasional Papers, Copenhagen, Copenhagen DC

With Gunnar Olesen 'Afghanistan', in Dutch Humanitarian Assistance: An Evaluation. Hague, Netherlands Ministry of Foreign Affairs

2005

'Aid Coordination: Easy to agree on, difficult to organise' in Sultan Barakat, editor: After the Conflict: Reconstruction and Development in the Aftermath of War, London: I.B. Taurus

With A. Suhrke, 'The logic of conflictual peacebuilding' in Sultan Barakat, editor: After the Conflict: Reconstruction and Development in the Aftermath of War, London: I.B. Taurus

2004

Transforming local relationships: Reintegration of combatants through mine action in Afghanistan in Kristian Berg Harpviken & Rebecca Roberts (eds.): Preparing the ground for peace. Mine action in support of peacebuilding, Oslo: International Peace Research Institute pp. 39-54

With A. Suhrke and K. B. Harpviken, 'Conflictual Peacebuilding: Afghanistan Two Years after Bonn', Bergen: CMI, (R 2004: 4), 75 p.