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Key Qualifications

Amundsen is a political scientist focussing on democratic institutionalisation, political economy, parliaments, political parties, political corruption, and natural resources (petroleum resources management and revenue management). His main study area is Malawi, Palestine, Bangladesh, Nigeria, Angola, and Ghana. Amundsen made his PhD in comparative African studies at the University of Tromsø in 1997. He was Research Director at CMI from 2000-2003, Director of the U4 Anti-Corruption Resource Centre from 2002-2006, and he has coordinated three CMI institutional cooperation programmes.

Education

Ph.D. (Dr. Polit.) Department of Political Science, University of Tromsø, Norway.
1991-1997

Thesis: In Search of a Counter-Force. State Power and Civil Society in the Struggle for Democracy in Africa (or: Mapping the Political Landscape of Senegal, Côte d'Ivoire and Cameroon).

MA (Cand. Polit.) Department of Political Science, University of Oslo, Norway.
1987-1990

The degree includes Political Science, French Language and Eastern Europe Area Studies.

Professional Experience

Chr. Michelsen Institute (CMI), Bergen, Norway

Senior Researcher 1998-

Director - U4 Anti-Corruption Resource Centre 2002-2006

Research Director 2000-2003

Coordinator: Democracy and Governance research group 2015-2017

University of Bergen, Department of Comparative Politics

Assistant Professor II 2001-2003

Lecturer on the Master course in African Politics and researcher on the Political Institutions in Africa programme.

Department of Political Science, University of Tromsø, Norway

PhD candidate in development studies 1992-1997

Lecturer in Political Science, 1992-1998. Lecturer in qualitative and quantitative methodologies, development studies, political theory, comparative politics and international relations.

Other Functions and Engagements

Reviewer for the *Journal of Comparative Politics*, *World Development*, *Resources Policy*, *American Journal of Political Science*, *American Political Science Review*, *Nordisk Østforum*, *African Studies Review*, *Forum for Development Studies*, *Journal of South Asian Development* and the *International Journal of Public Administration*.

Teaching experience:

- University of Bergen, Norway: Corruption Investigation, 2009 - current.
- University of Bergen, Norway: Donor Support to Democratisation 2009 - 2017.
- Petrad, Stavanger: Good Governance and Corruption Prevention; Corruption Challenges in the Petroleum Sector. 2008 - 2015.
- U4: In-country and on-line basic training: Corruption and Corruption Prevention. 2002 - 2006, 2018, 2019
- University of Tromsø, Norway: Political Science undergraduate courses in International Politics, Comparative Politics, Social Science Research Methodologies (qualitative and quantitative), African Politics, Development Studies. 1992 - 1997.

External examiner:

- University of Bergen, Norway: Bachelor and Master students, 2009 - to date
- University of Tromsø, Norway: Bachelor and Master student, 2008 - 2012
- University of Trondheim, Norway: Ph.D. 2010
- University of Oslo, Norway: Ph.D 2008, Master 2016 - to date
- University of Stockholm, Sweden: Ph.D. 2008
- Åbo Akademi, Finland; Ph.D. 2013

- Norwegian University of Life Sciences, Norway: Master 2014 - to date

Country of Origin Expert for the *International Refugee Rights Initiative* RIGHTS IN EXILE PROGRAMME and with the ELECTRONIC IMMIGRATION NETWORK (EIN, a UK charity). Registered CoE expert on Bangladesh, Angola, Malawi and Nigeria.

Project Experience

Africa	CMI: Political Corruption book project Project leader 2018 - 2019
Palestine	AMAN-CMI: Political corruption in Palestine Project leader 2018 - 2019 Collaboration AMAN (TI Palestine) and CMI AMAN - The Coalition for Accountability & Integrity in Palestine
Malawi	Norad-Country Evaluation Briefs (CEB- Fase 2) Project member 2016 - 2017 Author. Country Evaluation Brief, CEB, (Malawi) Norad
Malawi	Analysis of the Political Economy of Malawi Project member 2016 - 2017 A comprehensive analysis of the political economy (PEA) of Malawi, with an emphasis on the implications for Norway as a donor. A cross-sectoral analysis of the economy and the governance system. Ministry of Foreign Affairs
Angola	Risk Analysis: Oil for Development support to Angola Project leader 2015 A risk analysis of the Norad/Oil for Development institutional cooperation with Angola's Ministry of Petroleum. Norad
World	Corruption, corruption prevention and good governance in the petroleum sector Project leader 2015 Presentations on corruption, anti-corruption, company perspectives and good governance in the petroleum sector. Part of Petrad's 8-week course on "Petroleum policy and resource management". Petrad
Malawi	Democratisation, Political Participation, and Gender in Malawi Project leader 2014 - 2016 The project will study what promotes women's participation in politics in Malawi, and the possible effects of women's participation, with a focus on the executive, parliament, and political parties. Norwegian Research Council

- World **Corruption, corruption prevention and good governance in the petroleum sector**
Project leader 2013
Presentations/lectures on corruption, anti-corruption, and good governance in the petroleum sector. Part of Petrad's 8-week course on "Petroleum policy and resource management".
Petrad
- Ghana **Training programme: Understanding the petroleum sector**
Lecturer 2012
One day on Good Governance and Corruption Prevention in the Petroleum Sector, arranged by Petrad and "Oil for Development" in a two weeks programme for Ghana officials. Elmina, Ghana, November
Petrad
- Nigeria **Who rules Nigeria?**
Project leader 2012
A policy-oriented study on the political economy of Nigeria, describing the process of elite formation, cleavages, and impact of oil. Commissioned by NOREF for the Norw. Min. of Foreign Affairs.
NOREF
- Ghana **Regional Workshop: Good Governance and Corruption Prevention in the Petroleum Sector**
Lecturer 2011
Regional seminar on Good Governance and Corruption Prevention in the Petroleum Sector, arranged by Petrad and "Oil for Development" for officials from several countries, in Accra, Ghana, December
Petrad
- Bangladesh **The Political Parties in Bangladesh: Political Dynasties and Democratisation**
Project Leader 2011 - 2013
Norwegian Ministry of Foreign Affairs
- Ghana **Petroleum Workshop for Parliamentarians**
Lecturer 2010
One-day seminar on Resource Management and Good Governance in the Petroleum Sector, arranged by Petrad and the "Oil for Development" programme, for Members of Parliament. Accra, Ghana, September
Petrad
- Bangladesh **The Parliament of Bangladesh: Accountability and Control**
Project Leader 2010 - 2012
Norwegian Ministry of Foreign Affairs

Tanzania, Zambia, Uganda, Kenya	<p>Sida: Study on Support to Parliaments Project leader 2010 This study provides an overview of the modalities of donor support to parliaments in Africa, with a special focus on experiences of different modalities of multi-donor parliamentary support. Sida</p>
Nigeria	<p>Nigeria: Norwegian Support of Good Governance Project leader 2010 This analytical study encompasses the political economy of Nigeria, management of oil resources, anti-corruption and people's participation in decision-making. Norad</p>
Mozambique	<p>Regional Seminar: Good Governance and Corruption Prevention in the Petroleum Sector Lecturer 2010 A three-day seminar on Good Governance and Corruption Prevention in the Petroleum Sector, arranged by Petrad for officials from Mozambique, Angola, Sao Tome and East Timor. Maputo, Mozambique, March Petrad</p>
Angola	<p>Angola: CNE Project member 2010 - 2013 One institution may mitigate the centralisation of power in Angola and pave the way for democratisation; the Angolan national electoral commission (the Comissão Nacional Eleitoral, CNE). Norwegian Ministry of Foreign Affairs</p>
World	<p>Corruption Challenges in the Petroleum Sector Lecturer 2009 - 2013 Presentations on corruption, anti-corruption and good governance at Petrad's eight-week course on Petroleum Policy and Resource Management for people working in governmental institutions. Petrad</p>
Tanzania	<p>Seminar on Good Governance in the Petroleum Sector: Tanzania Lecturer 2009 Two two-day seminars on Good Governance in the Petroleum Sector, for Tanzanian parliamentarians. Dar es Salaam and Zanzibar, November Petrad</p>
World	<p>Synthesis Study of International Experiences with Support to Legislatures Project member 2009 Summary and synthesis of donors experiences and lessons learned with support to parliaments Desk study.</p>

Norad

- Madagascar **Seminar on Corruption Prevention in the Petroleum Sector: Madagascar**
Lecturer 2008
A four-day seminar on Corruption Prevention in the Petroleum Sector, arranged by Petrad for Norad's "Oil for Development" programme for Malagasy officials. Antananarivo, Madagascar, November
Petrad
- Angola **Teaching compendium on Public Sector Ethics**
Project leader 2008 - 2009
Development of a teaching compendium on Public Sector Ethics
StatoilHydro
- Angola **Political Parties in Angola**
Project leader 2008 - 2010
The first part of this project is a description of the political parties in Angola; the second part is an analysis of the parties in the democratic process.
Norwegian Ministry of Foreign Affairs
- Angola **Angola short courses: Social Science Methodology**
Project leader 2008 - 2009
In addition to research projects, the CEIC - CMI cooperation includes training courses, and the first two courses were on Social Science Research Methodologies.
Norwegian Ministry of Foreign Affairs
- Angola **Angola: Effects of 1992 elections**
Project member 2008 - 2009
Many Angolans are afraid that the elections (parliamentary in 2008 and presidential in 2009) can bring new violence. This project explores the anxiety and opinions as to the coming elections.
Norwegian Ministry of Foreign Affairs
- Corruption **Anti-Corruption Course Module**
Project leader 2008
Amundsen has developed a course module on corruption prevention in the petroleum sector, for Petrad. This is one module that will be offered by Petrad and Norad's "Oil for Development" programme.
Petrad
- Angola **Angola: Social Funds**
Project leader 2007 - 2008
"Social funds" and social projects financed and managed by private actors in Angola raises questions of transparency, accountability and democratic control.
Norad

- Corruption **Korrupsjonsgranskning**
Lecturer 2007 - 2012
Foredrag på kurs i "korrupsjonsgranskning" ved Senter for etter- og videreutdanning (SEVU), Universitetet i Bergen
University of Bergen
- Angola **Angola: Budget Process**
Project member 2006 - 2007
This study discerned several deficiencies in the budget process in Angola.
Norad
- Corruption **Anti-corruption essential training course Switzerland**
Project leader 2006
An updated and adapted version of the U4 Essential In-Country Anti-Corruption Training Course, for staff of the Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation. Instructors Inge Amundsen and Ivar Kolstad.
Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation
- Angola **Angola: Civil Society as Promoters of Governance and Accountability**
Project leader 2006
Advice for Norwegian Embassy and partners on how to support civil society organisations in Angola, with capacity to promote accountability in and good governance.
Norad
- Corruption **U4 Focus Area: Political Corruption**
Project leader 2005 - 2007
Focus Area and Issue Papers published on U4 website on Political Corruption
DFID
- Uganda **Corruption, lack of political will and the role of donors (in Uganda)**
Project leader 2005
This study is interpreting the theoretical notion of 'lack of political will', using Uganda as a case. It is also an evaluation of the donor agencies and their influence on corruption.
Norad
- Madagascar **Bureau Indépendant Anti-Corruption (BIANCO) Madagascar**
Project leader 2005
Desk study (evaluation of progress report), mid-term, of Norwegian support to the Malagasy anti-corruption bureau BIANCO.
Norad

Corruption	U4: Online essential anti-corruption training Project leader 2005 - 2007 Training of Utstein agency staff in anti-corruption strategies is a service developed by the U4 anti-corruption resource centre and TI. DFID
Corruption	U4: In-country basic training Project leader, lecturer 2003 - 2005 In-country workshops for U4 in anti-corruption: Bangladesh Dec 03, Vietnam Apr 04, Albania July 04, Malawi Jan 05, Mozambique Feb 05, Nicaragua Apr 05, Nigeria Oct 05, Zambia Feb 18, Palestine Jan 19. DFID, Norad, Sida
Angola	Angola: Parliamentary Accountability and Control Project leader 2003 - 2005 The project analysed the Angolan Parliament and its accountability function. Norad
Corruption	U4 - Utstein Anti-Corruption Resource Centre (www.u4.no) Director 2002 - 2006 DFID
Angola	The AIP - CMI cooperation Programme coordinator and researcher 2000 - 2005 Institutional co-operation between CMI and AIP (Angola Instituto de Pesquisa Económica e Social) Norad
Palestine	The MUWATIN - CMI cooperation Programme coordinator and researcher 1998 - 2004 Institutional cooperation between CMI and MUWATIN (the Palestinian Institute for the Study of Democracy), Ramallah, Palestine Norad

Selected Publications

2020

Covid-19, Cash Transfers, and Corruption. U4 Brief 2020:9, Bergen, Chr. Michelsen Institute (CMI).

2019

Political Corruption in Africa. Extraction and Power Preservation. (Editor). Cheltenham, UK; Edward Elgar Publications.

Extractive and Power-Preserving Political Corruption. Chapter 1 in Inge Amundsen

(ed.) (2019): *Political Corruption in Africa. Extraction and Power Preservation*. Cheltenham, UK; Edward Elgar Publications.

Congenitally Conjoined and Inseparable: Politics and Corruption in Nigeria. With E.M. Oyo and V. PRusa. Chapter 4 in Inge Amundsen (ed.) (2019): *Political Corruption in Africa. Extraction and Power Preservation*. Cheltenham, UK; Edward Elgar Publications.

Stuck in Transition. Political Corruption as Power Abuse. Chapter 9 in Inge Amundsen (ed.) (2019): *Political Corruption in Africa. Extraction and Power Preservation*. Cheltenham, UK; Edward Elgar Publications.

2018

Mujib dynasty retains control in Bangladesh. *East Asia Forum*, 10 August 2018. Crawford School of Public Policy, Australian National University.

The ruins of Bangladesh's LGBT community. *East Asia Forum*, 23 March 2018. Crawford School of Public Policy, Australian National University.

Democracy Decaying in Bangladesh. *East Africa Forum*, 6 March 2018. Crawford School of Public Policy, Australian National University.

2017

Malawi: Country Evaluation Brief. Oslo, Norad (Norad Report 4/2017).

Book Review: *Magnificent and Beggar Land: Angola since the Civil War.* *Perspectives on Politics*, March 2017, vol. 15, no. 1, pp. 272.273.

Nigeria: Defying the Resource Curse. Chapter 1 (pp. 17-27) in *Aled Williams and Philippe le Billon (Eds), Corruption, Natural Resources and Development. From Resource Curse to Political Ecology*. Cheltenham/UK, 2017, Edward Elgar Publ.

2016

Women in Politics in Malawi. Inge Amundsen and Happy Kayuni (Eds.) Bergen and Zomba, 2016, Chr. Michelsen Institute (CMI) and University of Malawi, Chancellor College, Department of Political and Administrative Studies (PAS).

Women in Politics in Malawi: An Introduction. With Happy Kayuni. Chapter 1 in *Amundsen and Kayuni (Eds.) 2016.*

2015

Høy risiko, ingen gevinst. En risikoanalyse av Olje for Utviklings institusjonssamarbeid med Petroleumministeriet i Angola. Bergen, November 2015, CMI Commissioned Report. Commissioned by Norad.

2014

Drowning in Oil. Angola and the Resource Curse. *Comparative Politics*, vol. 46, no.2, January 2014, pp. 169-189.

Dynastiene dreper demokratiet. Op-ed, *Bergens Tidende*, 12 January 2014. (In Norwegian).

'Pay up and off you go!' Buying political positions in Bangladesh. Book chapter 11 (pp 140-147) in T. Søreide and A. Williams (eds.): *Corruption, Grabbing and Development: Real World Challenges*. Cheltenham/UK and Northampton/MA, USA, Edward Elgar Publishing.

2013

Democratic Dynasties? Internal party democracy in Bangladesh. In *Party Politics*, vol. 22, no. 1, pp. 49-58.

Dynasty or democracy? Party politics in Bangladesh. Bergen; Chr. Michelsen Institute (CMI Brief vol. 12 no. 6, 2013).

Institutions of Checks and Balances: The Election Commission of Angola. Bergen; Chr. Michelsen Institute (CMI Report R 2013:5).

Controlling elections: The Angolan Election Commission. Bergen; Chr. Michelsen Institute (Angola Brief vol. 3 no. 1).

Can Ghana Avoid the Resource Curse? Book chapter 8 (pp. 109-141) in Kwaku Appiah-Adu (ed.); *Governance of the Petroleum Sector in an Emerging Developing Country*. Farnham/Surrey, 2013, Gower Publ. Ltd.

The Challenges of Petroleum Revenues: Ghana, Corruption, and Institutions. Chapter 7 (pp 155-180) in Timothy Afful-Koomson and Kwabena Owusu Asubonteng (eds.): *Collaborative Governance in Extractive Industries in Africa*. Accra, Ghana, United Nations University, Institute for Natural Resources in Africa (UNU-INRA).

2012

Who Rules Nigeria? Report. *NOREF* - Norwegian Peacebuilding Resource Centre (Report November 2012).

Ghana fant olje - kan det gå bra? Op-ed, *Bergens Tidende*, 28 November 2012. (In Norwegian).

The Parliament of Bangladesh. Representation and Accountability. With Rounaq Jahan. Dhaka and Bergen, (CPD-CMI Working Paper Series 2:2012).

Parliament of Bangladesh: Boycotts, business, and change for the better. Bergen, Chr. Michelsen Institute. (CMI Brief vol. 11 no. 2, 2012).

2011

Revenue management, corruption challenges and revenue distribution. Chapter 5 in *UNIDO (2011) Competitiveness and Diversification: Strategic Challenges in a Petroleum-Rich Economy*. International Policy Conference Proceedings. Vienna, United Nations Industrial Development Organization.

Angola Party Politics: Into the African Trend. Bergen, Chr. Michelsen Institute (Angola Brief vol. 1, no. 9, May 2011).

2010

Support for Parliaments: Tanzania and Beyond. Bergen, Chr. Michelsen Institute (CMI Report R 2010:8).

Good Governance in Nigeria: A Study in Political Economy and Donor Support. Oslo, Norad (Norad Discussion Report 17/2010).

Support to Legislatures. With Arne Tostensen. Oslo, Norad (Evaluation report 2/2010).

2009

Introduction to Public Sector Ethics. Chr. Michelsen Institute (CMI, Bergen) and Universidade Católica de Angola (UCAN). 64 pp.

Introdução à Ética no Sector Público. Bergen: Chr. Michelsen Institute (CMI) and Universidade Católica de Angola (UCAN). 64 pp.

2008

Social Funds in Angola - Channels, Amounts and Impact. With Arne Wiig. Bergen: Chr. Michelsen Institute (CMI Working Paper WP 2008:8).

Opposition Parties and the Upcoming 2008 Parliamentary Elections in Angola. With Markus Weimer. Bergen: Chr. Michelsen Institute. CMI Working Paper WP 2008:9.

2007

Budget, State and People. Budget Process, Civil Society and Transparency in Angola. Jan Isaksen, Inge Amundsen, Arne Wiig with Cesaltina Abreu. Bergen: Chr. Michelsen Institute. CMI Report R 2007:7.

Donor Support to Political Parties: Status and Principles. Chr. Michelsen Institute. CMI Report R 2007:6.

2006

Civil Society in Angola: Inroads, Space and Accountability. With Cesaltina Abreu. Bergen, CMI. CMI Report 2006:14.