

## Education

### Doctoral programme

Department of Comparative Politics, University of Bergen, Norway (expected 2023)

### Master's degree in Democracy Building

Department of Comparative Politics, University of Bergen, Norway (2018)

### Master's degree in International Relations,

specializing in Conflict Analysis and Peacebuilding, Institut d'Etudes Politiques, Lille, France (2009).

## Language skills

**French:** mother tongue

**English:** full proficiency

**Norwegian:** full proficiency

**German:** good understanding

## Leadership experience

### Research group coordinator

Democracy & Governance group, CMI. Bergen, Norway (since May 2021)

### Chairperson, Research Ethics Committee

CMI. Bergen, Norway (May 2019 – May 2022)

## Consulting experience

### Development Learning Lab (DLL)

Bergen, Norway  
October – December 2021

Support the DLL in developing its Learning Arenas – a platform for learning and dialogue between academia and the aid sector.

- Analyse existing offerings for continuing education in the field of development studies
- Develop a survey questionnaire to map interest among development aid practitioners

### Chr. Michelsen Institute (CMI) Team member, evaluations

Bergen, Norway  
since 2019

- Map Norwegian official development aid managed outside the Ministry of Foreign Affairs (2021)
- Evaluate the Norwegian aid administration's portfolio management (2019)

### Bergen Risk Solutions

#### Senior analyst

Bergen, Norway  
May 2015 – July 2018

Support clients within the Oil & Gas shipping industry in understanding and mitigating their geopolitical and security risks; emergency support.

- Conduct risk assessments tailor-made to clients' projects in West, East, and North Africa and South Asia
- Present results to project stakeholders (the client, their clients, their partners, and their employees)
- Visit clients & partners on location (Nigeria, Ivory Coast, Namibia)
- Identify vessel vulnerabilities and prevent intruders from boarding (Piracy Specific Ship Security Audits)

## Research experience

### Chr. Michelsen Institute (CMI) Doctoral researcher

Bergen, Norway  
since April 2019

- Preliminary title of doctoral dissertation: "How states control social media in Sub-Saharan Africa."
- Organize and facilitate creative workshops on "Online politics in the diaspora & the diaspora in online politics" with researchers from Qatar, Germany, and Norway

### Department of Comparative Politics, University of Bergen Research Assistant

August 2018 – March 2019

- on two projects, one with Prof. Michaël Tatham and one with Dr. Gyda Sindre.

## Advocacy & NGO sector

### Global Witness

#### Researcher (intern)

London, United Kingdom  
January – August 2009

- Research on the tensions between the forest industry and local people in the Congo Basin (Gabon, Republic of Congo, Democratic Republic of Congo),
- Press reviews and translation of news articles and speeches.

### Alliance Française of Basel, Switzerland

#### Assistant to the Director (intern)

Basel, Switzerland  
September 2006 – June 2007

- Organization of cultural events (conferences, museum visits, art courses...).
- Public relations with the media and local partners.

## Selected trainings

- Computational Methods for Social Data Science (August 2022)
- Quantitative Methods for Causal Inference and Policy Evaluation (August 2022)
- Multivariate Statistical Techniques for Comparing Countries (August 2020)
- Data Scraping and Management for Social Scientists with R (June 2020)
- Text Mining with R (June 2020)
- Business for Peace: A New Dawn for International Peacebuilding? (2017)
- Using Internet as an Investigative Research Tool, (2012)

## Bergen Risk Solutions Analyst

Bergen, Norway  
August 2013 – April 2015

- Report on the political and security situation in Nigeria, forecast new trends and emerging threats
- Contribute to risk assessments tailor-made to clients' projects in West, East, and North Africa and South Asia

## Bergen Risk Solutions Researcher

Bergen, Norway  
February 2010 – July 2013

- Monitor the political and security situation in Nigeria
- Update a database covering piracy-related incidents worldwide
- Contribute research for security risk assessments

## Volunteering Norwegian Humanist Association

Confirmation course leader  
Bergen, Norway  
January – May 2019

## Archery association, Western Norway Vice President

Bergen, Norway  
2016-2018

## Bergen archery club Board member

2011-2014

## Academic articles

**How African countries respond to fake news and hate speech**, with Lisa Garbe and Lisa-Marie Selvik 2021. *Information, Communication & Society*. ([Open Access](#))

**Shutting down social media, shutting out the youth?**, single-authored article under revision for the *International Political Science Review*.

## Popular dissemination

**Staten, ungdom og politikk i Afrika: sosiale mediers rolle**, Presentation – in Norwegian - at Forskningsdagene Ung, 30 September 2021, [here](#).

**Shut out (of the field) and shut in (our homes) – navigating a PhD in times of pandemic** – 26 March 2021, [here](#). Blog post.

**Politics and security in West Africa: Ivory Coast, Senegal and Mali**, Panel discussion, Bergen Global, November 2020. Recording available [here](#).

**Hallucinatoriet / The Hallucinatorium**, wrote & played "Lemariel" in an [art performance](#) on the challenges social media present to society, at dance biennale Oktoberdans & BIT Teatergarasjen, October 2020.