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### **Education**

2007	Ph.D. Political Science (with distinction), Institut d'Etudes Politiques de Paris
2001	M.Phil. Modern Middle Eastern Studies, Oxford University, Balliol College
1999	B.A. (M.A. in 2008) Oriental Studies (first class), Oxford University, Balliol College

### **Employment**

2001-	Research Fellow, Norwegian Defence Research Establishment (FFI), Oslo
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### **Fellowships**

2010-2011	Non-resident Fellow, Center on Law and Security, New York University School of Law (stipendiary)
2009-2010	William D. Loughlin member, School of Historical Studies, Institute for Advanced Study, Princeton (stipendiary)
2009-2010	Non-resident Associate, Belfer Center for Science and International Affairs, Harvard Kennedy School (non-stipendiary)
2008-2009	Fellow, Belfer Center for Science and International Affairs, Harvard Kennedy School (non-stipendiary)
2007-2008	Postdoctoral Research Fellow, Princeton Institute for International and Regional Studies, Princeton University (stipendiary)
2005-2006	Visiting researcher, King's College London, International Policy Institute (non-stipendiary)

### **Grants and honours**

2009-2012	Three-year postdoctoral research grant, Norwegian Ministry of Defence
2008	Junior Research Fellowship (stipendiary, 3 years), Trinity Hall, Cambridge University (declined)
2003-2006	Ph.D. Scholarship, Norwegian Ministry of Defence
1999	Chevening scholarship (British Council) for postgraduate studies in Britain
1999	Jenkyns Prize (Balliol College) "for outstanding performance in final exams"

**Publications** (Publications in Norwegian at end of document)

*Monographs*

- Forthcoming *Godfather of Jihad: Abdallah Azzam and the Birth of the Arab Afghans*, Cambridge University Press (expected 2011)
- 2010 *Jihad in Saudi Arabia: Violence and Pan-Islamism since 1979*, Cambridge University Press
- 2005 *Al-Qaida dans le texte*, Paris: Presses Universitaires de France [with G Kepel, S Lacroix O Saghi and J-P Milelli]. Italian, German and Chinese editions in 2006; English edition on Harvard University Press in 2008

*Edited volumes*

- Forthcoming *Complexity and Change in Saudi Arabia*, Cambridge University Press, (expected 2011) [with B Haykel and S Lacroix]

*Articles*

- Forthcoming “The Origins of the Muslim Foreign Fighter Phenomenon”, *International Security* 35, 3
- 2009 “Jihad, Yes, But Not Revolution: Explaining the Extraversion of Islamist Militancy in Saudi Arabia,” *British Journal of Middle East Studies* 35, 3, pp. 395-416
- 2009 “The Ideological Hybridization of Jihadi Groups”, *Current Trends in Islamist Ideology* 9
- 2008 “Islamist Violence and Regime Stability in Saudi Arabia”, *International Affairs* 84, 4
- 2007 “Rejectionist Islamism in Saudi Arabia: The Story of Juhayman al-Utaybi Revisited,” *International Journal of Middle East Studies* 39, 1 [with S Lacroix]
- 2007 “Combattants saoudiens en Irak,” *Cultures & Conflits* 64
- 2006 “Terrorist Recruitment and Radicalisation in Saudi Arabia,” *Middle East Policy* 13, 4
- 2006 “Global Jihadism After the Iraq War,” *Middle East Journal* 60, 1
- 2004 “Jihadi Strategic Studies: The Alleged Al Qaida Policy Study Preceding the Madrid Bombings,” *Studies in Conflict and Terrorism* 27, 5 [with B Lia]

*Book chapters*

- Forthcoming “Classical and global jihadism in Saudi Arabia”, in Bernard Haykel, Thomas Hegghammer and Stephane Lacroix (eds), *Complexity and Change in Saudi Arabia*

- Forthcoming “Jihad on the Arabian Peninsula: The 2003 Riyadh bombing and the 2008 Sanaa bombing”, in Bruce Hoffman and Fernando Reinares (eds.), *Leader-led Jihad*, New York: Columbia University Press
- Forthcoming “Suicide” and “Terrorism”, in Gerhard Böwering et al (eds.), *Encyclopaedia of Islamic Political Thought*, Princeton University Press
- Forthcoming “The Failure of the Saudi Jihad”, in David Cook (ed), *Failed Jihad* (expected 2010)
- 2009 “Jihadi Salafis or Revolutionaries? On Religion and Politics in the Study of Militant Islamism,” in R Meijer (ed), *Global Salafism: Islam’s New Religious Movement*, London/New York: Hurst/Columbia University Press
- 2008 “La violence islamiste en Arabie Saoudite,” in B Rougier (ed.), *Qu’est-ce que le salafisme?* Paris: Presses Universitaires de France

*Reviews and review essays*

- Forthcoming Review of Audrey K. Cronin, *How terrorism ends: Understanding the Decline and Demise of Terrorist Campaigns*, in *Journal of Peace Research*
- Forthcoming Review of Omar Ashour, *The De-radicalization of Jihadists: Transforming Armed Islamist Movements*, in *Perspectives on Politics*
- Forthcoming Review of Richard C. Martin and Abbas Barzegar, *Islamism: Contested Perspectives on Political Islam*, in *Journal of Islamic Studies*
- 2010 “Family Values”, review of Najwa bin Laden et al. *Growing up Bin Laden*, in *The National*, 8 January
- 2009 Review of Laurent Murawiec, *Mind of Jihad*, in *Times Higher Education*, 12 June
- 2009 “The Struggle within”, review of the documentary film *Recycle*, dir. Mahmoud al-Massad, *The National*, 13 February
- 2009 “Until the end of time”, review of Jean-Pierre Filiu, *L’apocalypse dans l’islam*, in *The National*, 16 January
- 2008 “Jihadi Studies”, *Times Literary Supplement*, 1 April
- 2008 “Yihadismo, seis años después [Jihadism, Six Years On]”, *Revista de Libros* 133 (January)
- 2007 Review of Dore Gold, *Hatred’s Kingdom: How Saudi Arabia Supports the New Global Terrorism*, in *The British Journal of Middle Eastern Studies* 34, 2

*Reports*

- 2010 “The Failure of Jihad in Saudi Arabia”, *Occasional Paper Series*, West Point, NY: Combating Terrorism Center
- 2007 *Saudi Militants in Iraq: Backgrounds and Recruitment Patterns*, Kjeller: FFI

- 2006 *Paths to Global Jihad: Radicalisation and Recruitment to Terror Networks*, Kjeller: FFI [with L Bokhari, B Lia, P Nesser and T Tønnessen]
- 2005 *Al-Qaida Statements 2003-2004: A Compilation of Translated Texts by Usama bin Ladin and Ayman al-Zawahiri*, Kjeller: FFI
- 2004 *Saudi Arabia Background: Who are the Islamists?* Brussels: International Crisis Group [with S Lacroix]
- 2004 *The Iraq Hostage Crisis: Abductions in Iraq, April-August 2004*, Kjeller: FFI
- 2004 *Restoring Peace or Provoking Terrorism?*, Kjeller: FFI [with Å Kjøk, A Hansen and J Knudsen]

#### *Opinion Articles*

- 2010 “Why does Al Qaeda have a problem with Norway?”, *TheAtlantic.com*, 13 July
- 2010 “Lady Gaga vs the Occupation”, *ForeignPolicy.com*, 31 March
- 2010 “Yemeni threat in Saudi Arabia”, *ForeignPolicy.com*, 26 March
- 2010 “There is nothing soft about Saudi counterterrorism”, *ForeignPolicy.com*, 11 March
- 2009 “The big impact of small footprints”, *Foreign Policy*, 11 November
- 2009 “Irreparable damage”, *Foreign Policy*, 4 May
- 2007 “Osama bin Laden’s True Priorities”, *The Guardian Online*, 3 December
- 2006 “Abu Musab al-Zarqawi: Death of an Icon,” [www.opendemocracy.net](http://www.opendemocracy.net), 8 June

#### *Other*

- 2010 “Why Jihad Went Global”, *IAS Institute Newsletter*, summer volume
- 2008 “Deconstructing the Myth about al-Qa’ida and Khobar,” *The Sentinel* 1, 3
- 2007 “Weakened al-Qaida shifts to oil targets,” *Oxford Analytica Daily Brief*, 9 November
- 2007 *Violent Islamism in Saudi Arabia, 1979-2006: The Power and Perils of Pan-Islamic Nationalism*, PhD thesis, Institut d’Etudes Politiques de Paris
- 2006 “Saudi Arabia: Terror threat reduced – for time being,” *Oxford Analytica In-Depth Analysis*, 28 February
- 2004 “FFI Explains al-Qaida Document”, article posted on [www.ffi.no](http://www.ffi.no).
- 2001 *Tatbi’: The Egyptian Debate Over Normalisation of Relations With Israel, 1979-2000*, MPhil Thesis, Oxford University

### **Work in progress**

- Forthcoming “The Recruiter’s Dilemma: Signaling and Terrorist Recruitment Tactics”, revised and resubmitted to the *Journal of Conflict Resolution*
- Forthcoming *Jihad Culture: Art, Superstition and Ritual in the Violent Islamist Underground*, edited volume under review

### **Conference/Seminar Papers and Lectures**

- 2010 “Explaining the Absence of Islamist Revolutionaries in Saudi Arabia,” Security Studies Seminar, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, 7 April; Naval Postgraduate School, 14 April; University of Ottawa, 3 June, West Point, 11 June
- 2010 “Uninvited Insurgents: Explaining the Islamist Foreign Fighter Phenomenon” Yale Comparative Politics Workshop, Yale University, 16 February; Transregional Institute, Princeton University, 8 April; UCLA, 13 April; West Point, 11 June
- 2009 “Signaling devotion in devote societies: Recruitment to al-Qaida in Saudi Arabia, 2002-2006”, Workshop on recruitment to extra-legal organizations, Oxford University, 14 December
- 2009 “Infidels vs Apostates: Explaining Differential use of Suicide Bombings by Jihadi Groups”, The Weatherhead Center for International Affairs, Harvard University, 27 April
- 2009 “Wahhabism, Pan-Islamism and Global Jihadism”, George Washington University conference on “Politics and Society in the Contemporary Gulf”, Washington DC, 14 April
- 2009 “Jihadi narratives and social networks”, Harvard Law School workshop “From Social Network to Social Movement”, 1 April
- 2009 “Why Robert Pape is Right: Jihadi Ideological Cleavages and Suicide Bombings”, Sciences-Po/FFI/West Point Roundtable, Oslo, 20 March; New England Middle East Politics Working Group, Cornell University, 27 March
- 2009 “Why the fifteen hijackers? Understanding Islamist militancy in Saudi Arabia”, Crown Center for Middle Eastern Studies, Brandeis University, 25 February
- 2009 “Explaining the Arab mobilization to the 1980s Afghan jihad”, Belfer Center for Science and International Security, Harvard University, 22 January; UCLA 13 April 2010
- 2008 “The Saudi mobilization to the 1980s Afghan jihad”, annual meeting of the Middle East Studies Association, Washington DC, 24 November
- 2008 “Al-Qaida in Saudi Arabia and Yemen”, Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, Washington DC, 24 November
- 2008 “Whatever happened to the liberation of the two holy places? Al-Qaida’s Saudi failures”, New America Foundation conference on “Al-Qaida 3.0”, Washington DC, 10 October

- 2008 “Al-Qaida and the war of ideas”, Worldwide Strategic Communication Seminar, US State Department and Defense Department, Washington DC, 22 September
- 2008 “Classical and Global jihadists in Saudi Arabia”, Princeton/Sciences-Po conference on “The State of Saudi Arabia”, Menton, 7 June
- 2008 “Interpreting radical Islamist ideology”, FFI conference on jihadi ideology, Oslo, 15 May
- 2008 “Abdallah Azzam and the birth of the Arab Afghans,” Transregional Institute, Princeton University, 5 March
- 2008 “Orthodoxy and Radicalism in Saudi Arabia”, CSIS Congressional Forum on Islam, Washington DC, 3 March
- 2007 “Jihad, yes, but not revolution: Explaining the extraversion of Islamist militancy in Saudi Arabia,” Middle East Studies Association, Montreal, 19 November; Sciences-Po/FFI/West Point Roundtable, Menton, 26 October
- 2007 “Al-Qaida as extreme pan-Islamic nationalism,” Princeton Institute for International and Regional Studies seminar series, 11 October; College of New Jersey, 10 April 2008
- 2007 “Jihadi salafis or revolutionaries? On theology and politics in the study of Islamist militancy,” ISIM conference on Salafism, Nijmegen, 28 September; Annual meeting of the American Historical Association, New York, 5 January 2009
- 2007 “Social processes in al-Qaida’s Afghan training camps,” FFI conference on terrorist training, Oslo, 9 May
- 2007 “Political violence in Saudi Arabia,” Oil, Energy and the Middle East Lecture series, Princeton University, 2 March
- 2007 “Violent Islamism and regime stability in Saudi Arabia,” Nixon Centre, Washington DC, 27 February; Princeton University 1 March
- 2006 “Trender i internasjonal terrorisme” [Trends in international terrorism], Forsvarspolitisk utvalg, Oslo, 8 November
- 2006 “Current developments in radical Islamist ideology,” USMA, West Point, 18 May
- 2006 “Jihadi strategic studies,” Middle East Institute, Washington DC, 17 May
- 2006 “Terrorgrupper og kommunikasjon” [Terrorist Groups and Communication], Hearings on anti-terrorist legislation in the Danish Parliament, 10 May
- 2006 “Socio-economic profiles of Saudi militants,” Conference on jihadist recruitment, King’s College London, 28 April; FFI conference on recruitment, Oslo, 15 March

- 2006 “Terrorism in Saudi Arabia,” UK Defence Academy, Shrivenham, 22 February; King’s College London, 8 December 2005; Middle East Consult Conference, London, 19 October 2005
- 2005 “Hostage-takings in Iraq,” Norwegian Institute for International Affairs, Oslo, 28 February
- 2005 “Global jihadism after the Iraq war,” FFI conference, Oslo, 25 January
- 2004 “Political violence in Saudi Arabia” [in French and Arabic], Institut Francais du Proche Orient, Amman, 8 and 9 December
- 2002 “Territory as al-Qaida’s strategic centre of gravity,” Fundacao Oriente, Arrabida, Portugal, 5 July
- 2002 “Asymmetric threats to Norwegian national security,” Norwegian Air Force Academy annual conference, February

### **Teaching and supervision**

- Undergraduate course (24 lectures) on “Militant Islamism” at Princeton University (spring 2008).
- Individual classes and lectures at Tufts University, The Foreign Service Institute (Arlington VA), King’s College London, University of Oslo, University of Tromsø, PRIO summer school, Buskerud University College, the Nansen School, Norwegian Foreign Office Diplomatic School, Norwegian Military Academy, and other schools in the Norwegian military and the Norwegian police.
- Supervision of Anders Evju (M.A., University of Oslo, 2006)

### **Professional Service**

- Member of the editorial board of the *Journal of Totalitarian Movements and Political Religions*
- Article reviewer for *American Political Science Review*, *Babylon*, *Critique Internationale*, *International Journal of Conflict and Violence*, *International Journal of Middle East Studies*, *International Political Sociology*, *International Security*, *Journal of Conflict Studies*, *Journal of Religion and Popular Culture*, and *Terrorism and Political Violence*.
- Book manuscript reviewer for Princeton University Press, Oxford University Press, Cambridge University Press, Hurst/Columbia University Press, and Routledge.
- Grant proposal reviewer for the Austrian Science Fund, the AXA Research Fund, the Harry Frank Guggenheim Foundation and the Israel Science Foundation

### **Public Service**

- Expert witness in Danish Parliament review of antiterrorist legislation (10 May 2006) and Canadian Senate review of the Anti-Terrorism Act (14 March 2005).
- Public sector consultancy and advising: USA: State Department, Department of Defense, National Counterterrorism Center, Government Accountability Office, Senate Committee on Homeland Security, Institute for Defence Analysis; LAPD, San Jose PD; UK: Foreign Office, Prison Service; Norway: Ministry of Defence, Ministry of Foreign Affairs; Canada: Privy Council Office; Other: NATO Research and Technology Organization
- Media commentary; see Lexis-Nexis for details.
- Editor (since January 2009) of the blog [www.jihadica.com](http://www.jihadica.com)

### **Languages**

Norwegian (native), English, French, Arabic (fluent); Urdu/Hindi (basic).

## Fieldwork Experience

Saudi Arabia, Egypt, Pakistan, United Arab Emirates, Kuwait, Jordan, Israel/Palestine

## Publications in Norwegian

### *Articles and chapters*

- 2008 "Al-Qaidas rekruttskoler" [Al-Qaida's Drill Schools], *Norsk Militært Tidsskrift* 178, 2
- 2005 "Irak-konflikten og radikal islamistisk ideologi" [The Iraq Conflict and Radical Islamist Ideology], *Internasjonal Politikk* 4
- 2005 "Islamistiske terroristgrupper," [Islamist Terrorist Groups], in B E Rasch (ed.), *Islamistisk terrorisme* [Islamist Terrorism], Oslo: Abstrakt
- 2004 "Islamsk terror og krigen mot Irak," [Islamist Terrorism and the War on Iraq], in B E Rasch et al (eds), *Spillet om Irak* [The Iraq Game], Oslo: Abstrakt
- 2004 "Palestina og global jihad" [Palestine and Global Jihad], *Babylon* 4

### *Book reviews*

- 2008 "For en familie!" [What a Family!], review of Steve Coll, *The Bin Ladens: An Arabian Family in the American Century*, New York: Penguin, 2007, in *Morgenbladet*, 6 June
- 2008 Review of Mattias Gardell, *Bin Laden i våre hjerter*, Oslo: Spartacus, 2007, in *Babylon* 6, 1

### *Reports*

- 2006 *Reformprosesser og sikkerhetsutfordringer på den arabiske halvø* [Reform Processes and Security Challenges on the Arabian Peninsula], Copenhagen: Danish Ministry of Foreign Affairs [with S Hove]
- 2003 *Dokumentasjon om al-Qaida:: Intervjuer, kommunikéer og andre primærkilder* [Documentation on al-Qaida: Interviews, Statements and Other Primary Sources], Kjeller: FFI
- 2002 *Atommateriale, gass og mikrober som terrorvåpen? En undersøkelse av terrorgruppers interesse for og bruk av ikke-konvensjonelle våpen* [Nuclear material, gas and microbes as terrorist weapons? A survey of Terrorist Groups' Interest in, and Actual Use of, Non-Conventional Weapons], Kjeller: FFI [with B Lia, R-I Vogt-Andresen, Å Kjøk and L Bokhari]

### *Opinion Articles*

- 2009 "Truer verden med terrorangrep" [Threatening the world with terror attacks], *Dagsavisen*, 15 August [with B Lia]
- 2004 "Saudi-Arabias terrorismeproblem" [Saudi-Arabia's Terrorism Problem], *Aftenposten*, 18 June
- 2003 "Mer terror under krigen mot Irak?" [Will the war on Iraq produce more terrorism?], *Aftenposten*, 20 February

2002 "Selvmordsaksjoner i Oslo?" [Suicide Terrorism in Oslo?], *Aftenposten*, 23 April  
[with K Vogt]

2001 "Bomber mot terrorisme?" [Bombs against terrorism?], *Aftenposten*, 10 November.

*Other*

2002 "Asymmetriske anslag mot Norge: Sannsynlighet og karakter" [Asymmetric Threats  
Against Norway – Probabilities and Manifestations], in *Proceedings fra  
Luftmaktseminaret 2002*, Norwegian Air Force Academy, Trondheim

2002 "Al-Qaida etter Afghanistan" [Al-Qaida after Afghanistan], *Kortinfo* 12, The  
Norwegian Atlantic Committee, Oslo