

CURRICULUM VITAE



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Present position: Senior Researcher – Danish Institute for Human Rights

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KEY QUALIFICATIONS

Human rights and religion, freedom of religion or belief, development and religion, faith-based organisations, local legitimacy and perceptions of human rights

My research and policy analysis centers on the relationship between human rights and religion. I am especially interested in the role of religious actors, discourses and practices in global value politics, as witnessed e.g. in conflicts over freedom of religion or belief, gender equality norms, LGBT rights, and the scope of free speech. I am also interested in the ways in which faith-based organisations engage in human rights activism and contribute to translating global human rights norms in local contexts, with a particular focus on Muslim NGOs. I am embarking on a new research project which will explore popular perceptions of national human rights institutions and their efforts to build local legitimacy, with a particular focus on relations with religious actors.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

2015 - ongoing	Senior researcher <i>Research on religion, human rights, global value politics</i>	Danish Institute for Human Rights, Copenhagen
2012 - 2015	Post doc researcher <i>Research on Islam, human rights, Muslim organisations</i>	Danish Institute for Human Rights, Copenhagen

**February 2012 -
September 2012**

Post doc researcher
*Research on Islam and
development aid*

Danish Institute for
International Studies,
Copenhagen

2011 - 2012

Research Assistant
*Research on development
aid, donor agencies and
gender norms*

Danish Institute for
International Studies,
Copenhagen

2007 - 2010

PhD Scholar
*Research on international
Muslim NGOs and
development aid*

University of Copenhagen

2006 - 2007

Research Assistant
*Research on Islam and civil
society in Jordan and Egypt*

Danish Institute for
International Studies,
Copenhagen

2004 - 2006

Project Coordinator
*Coordination of projects in
Mozambique and Honduras*

Danish Institute for Human
Rights, Copenhagen

EDUCATION

2007 - 2011

PhD

Department for Cross-
cultural and Regional
Studies, University of
Copenhagen

1997 - 2004

Master's Degree

Department for Cross-
cultural and Regional
Studies, University of
Copenhagen

OTHER RELEVANT QUALIFICATIONS AND EXPERIENCES

Research grants and awards

2013	Programme grant (740.000 USD, co-applicant)	Danish Research Council
2012	Emerging Scholar Dissertation Award (1,000 USD)	International Society for Third Sector Research
2011	Post doc grant (360.000 USD)	Danish Research Council
2008 - 2009	Travel grants (14.000 USD in total)	Crown Prince Frederik's Foundation, Sasakawa Foundation, Oticon Foundation, Augustinus Foundation
2008	Network grant (7.000 USD, co-applicant)	Danish Research Council
2007	PhD grant (150.000 USD)	Faculty of Humanities

Research stays

2014	Visiting scholar, School of International and Public Affairs	Columbia University, New York, USA
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Country experience (selected)

2014	Fieldwork (2 weeks)	Indonesia
2009	Fieldwork (1 month)	Bangladesh
2009, 2011	Fieldwork (2 weeks, 1 week)	Saudi Arabia

2008	Fieldwork (2 weeks)	Kuwait
2008	Fieldwork (3 weeks)	Britain
2007	Fieldwork (3 months)	Jordan
2000 - 2001	Project coordinator, Save the Children (1 year)	Guatemala

Consultancies and commissioned research

2019	Report and policy recommendations, <i>The international Promotion of Freedom of Religion or Belief. Sketching the Contours of a Common Framework</i>	Danish Office of the Special Representative on Freedom of Religion or Belief
2019	Report and policy recommendations, <i>Exploring and Working with Faith-based organisations. An Analysis of Practices in Six EU Member States</i>	EU DEVCO
2016	Report, <i>Donor Engagement with Religion and Faith-based Organisations</i>	Danish NGO Network on Religion and Development
2014	Report and policy recommendations, <i>Religion, Human Rights and Democratization: A Mapping of Faith-based Organizations and Donor Initiatives</i>	Swedish International Development Agency (SIDA)
2011	Report and policy recommendations,	Danish Ministry of Foreign Affairs

*Organization of Islamic
Cooperation and Human
Rights*

2011	Evaluation of theatre project in Jordan, <i>Youth Voices through Alternative Media</i>	Center for Culture and Development and Danish Action Aid
2006 - 2007	Report and policy recommendations, <i>Islam and Civil Society. Case Studies from Jordan and Egypt</i>	Danish Ministry of Foreign Affairs

Teaching, supervision and editorial work (selected)

2018	Course teacher, <i>Human Rights Research Methodology</i> (training of university teachers)	Danish Institute for Human Rights, Yangon, Myanmar
2018	Course teacher, <i>Religion and Human Rights in an International Perspective</i> (civil society course)	Danish Institute for Human Rights
2017	Course teacher, <i>Religion and Human Rights</i> (Arab Master in Human Rights)	EIUC Global Campus of Human Rights
2015	Co-supervisor for Mie Roesdahl, PhD project on human rights and conflict resolution	Danish Institute for Human Rights
2015	Guest lecture, <i>Human Rights and Religion</i>	Humanity in Action

2015	Editor of <i>The Good, the Bad and the Ugly. The Organization of Islamic Cooperation and Human Rights</i> (University of Pennsylvania Press)	Danish Institute for Human Rights
2014	Editor of a series of working papers on Organization of Islamic Cooperation and human rights	Danish Institute for Human Rights
2014	Editor of a series of working papers on Islamic law and constitutional debates in the Middle East	Danish Institute for Human Rights
2013	Guest lecture, <i>Transnational Muslim NGOs</i>	Center for Contemporary Middle East Studies, University of Southern Denmark
2012	Guest lecture, <i>For Humanity or for the Umma? Ideologies of Aid in International Muslim NGOs</i>	Organisation for Islamic Area Studies, Waseda University, Tokyo, Japan
2010	Course teacher, <i>Religion, human rights and development</i>	Institute of Cross-Cultural and Regional Studies, University of Copenhagen
2009	Guest lecture, <i>Islam and development aid</i> , guest lecture	Religious Studies, Leeds University

Conferences, panels, seminars and workshops (selected)

2017	Organisation of conference, <i>Religion and Foreign Policy</i> in	Christiansborg, Copenhagen, Denmark
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	cooperation with Danish Inter-parliamentary Network on Freedom of Religion or Belief	
2017	Panel co-organisation and paper presentation, <i>Religious NGOs, Development and Human Rights</i>	<i>European Association for the Study of Religions</i> , Leuven, Belgium
2016	Paper presentation, <i>Islam and Human Rights</i>	<i>Conference: Religions and Human Rights</i> , Padua, Italy
2015	Panel co-organisation and paper presentation, <i>The Organisation of Islamic Cooperation's Engagements with Human Rights</i>	<i>Law and Society Association</i> , Seattle, USA
2014	Panel co-organisation and paper presentation, <i>Human Rights, Islam and International NGOs</i>	<i>ISA Human Rights Joint Conference</i> , Istanbul, Turkey
2014	Workshop organisation, <i>Religion and rights-based approaches</i>	Danish Institute for Human Rights
2014	Paper presentation, <i>Human Rights, Religion and the Provision of Aid</i>	<i>Conference: Negotiating Human Rights</i> , Aarhus University
2013	Seminar organisation, <i>Islamic Law and Constitutional Debates in the Middle East</i>	Danish Institute for Human Rights
2013	Seminar organisation, <i>Organization of Islamic Cooperation and Human Rights</i>	Danish Institute for Human Rights

2012	Paper presentation, <i>International Muslim NGOs in the humanitarian field</i>	<i>Workshop: Mapping the Humanitarian Field</i> , George Washington University, Washington, USA
2010	Paper presentation, <i>Islamizing Aid: Muslim NGOs after 9.11.</i>	<i>Conference: Religion shaping development: inspirational, inhibiting, institutionalized?</i> Religions and Development Research Programme, Birmingham, Britain
2010	Paper presentation, <i>Islamizing Aid: Islamic NGOs after 9.11.</i>	<i>Political Studies Association Annual Conference</i> , Edinburgh, Scotland
2009	Organisation of seminar series, <i>Religion and Development</i>	University of Copenhagen/Danish Institute for International Studies
2008	Paper presentation, <i>The Role of Religion in Civil Society: Muslim Youth Organisations and Social Change in Jordan and Egypt</i>	<i>German Middle East Studies Association for Contemporary Research and Documentation (DAVO) Congress</i> , Erfurt, Germany
2007	Conference organisation, <i>Islam and Civil Society</i>	Danish Institute for International Studies
2007	Paper presentation, <i>Muslim Youth Organizations and Social Change in Jordan and Egypt</i>	<i>Annual Meeting of the Association for the Sociology of Religion</i> , New York, USA
2007	Paper presentation, <i>Muslim Youth Organizations and</i>	<i>Conference: Islamic Charitable NGOs –</i>

Development in Jordan and Egypt

Empowerment or Patronage? Institute for the Study of Islam in the Modern World (ISIM), Leiden, Holland

Presentations at public institutions (selected)

2018	Presentation, <i>Freedom of Religion or Belief and Gender Equality</i>	Civil Society Forum, Danish Office of the Special Representative for Freedom of Religion or Belief, Copenhagen, Denmark
2017	Presentation, <i>Islam og kvinders rettigheder</i>	Panel debate, Folkemødet
2016	Presentation, <i>How can NHRIs contribute to the implementation of Resolution 16/18?</i>	Side event to the Human Rights Council session, Geneva, Switzerland
2014	Presentation, <i>The role of religious leaders in the implementation of Resolution 16/18</i>	5 th Meeting in Istanbul Process, Jeddah, Saudi Arabia
2014	Presentation, <i>Religion, Human Rights and Democratization</i>	Swedish International Development Agency (SIDA)
2014	Presentation, <i>Religion og menneskerettigheder</i>	Danish Mission Council, Copenhagen
2014	Presentation, <i>Muslim Organizations and the Post-2015 Goals</i>	UN Inter-Agency Task Force on Faith-Based Organizations, New York, USA

2014	Presentation, <i>Islam, Development and Human Rights</i> (webinar)	Knowledge Center for Religion and Development, Utrecht, Holland
2013	Presentation, <i>Islamic or Universal? Human Rights in the Organization of Islamic Cooperation</i>	OIC Research Center for Islamic Art, History and Culture, Istanbul, Turkey
2011	Presentation and workshop facilitation, <i>Fem gode grunde til at samarbejde med muslimske civilsamfundsorganisationer</i>	ActionAid/Danish MENA Network
2011	Presentation, <i>When Ideology Affects Aid Neutrality</i>	National Intelligence Council, Washington, USA

MEDIA

Contributor to and commentator in Danish media, including TV2 News, P1, Politiken, Kristeligt Dagblad, Ræson, Udvikling and others.

PUBLICATIONS

Please consult www.humanrights.dk/staff/marie-juul-petersen for updated list of publications