

Curriculum Vitae Hilde Refstie, early career researcher

ROLE IN THE PROJECT Project manager

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Project partner ☒

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CAREER BREAKS

April 2018 – April 2019: Parental leave second child (12 months)

August 2016 – January 2017: 50% Parental leave first child (3 months)

August 2015 – May 2016: Parental leave first child (10 months)

EDUCATION

- 2018** **PhD: Disputation date:** 20.04.2018.
Department of Geography, Faculty of Social and Educational Sciences, NTNU, Norway. Supervisors: Cathrine Brun and Marianne Millstein.
- 2006-2008** **Mphil in Development Studies specializing in Geography.**
Department of Geography, Faculty of Social and Educational Sciences, NTNU, Norway.
- 2007** Courses in Master of Arts in International Relations and Diplomatic Studies.
15 credits **Makerere University, Kampala, Uganda**
- 2001-2006** **BA Social sciences majoring in geography and political science**
Department of Geography and Department of Sociology and Political Science, Faculty of Social and Educational Sciences, NTNU, Norway.
- 2005** B.A subjects within Political Science and Geography.
University of Ghana, Accra, Ghana.

CURRENT AND PREVIOUS POSITIONS

- 2019--** Associate Professor, Department of Geography, Faculty of Social and Educational Sciences, NTNU, Norway.
- 2017-2018** Assistant Professor, Department of Architecture and Planning, Faculty of Architecture and Design, NTNU, Norway.
- 2012-2018** PhD. Fellow Geography with teaching obligations, Department of Geography, Faculty of Social and Educational Sciences, NTNU, Norway.
- 2017** Assistant Professor, Department of Geography, Faculty of Social and Educational Sciences, NTNU, Norway (4 months).
- 2011-2013** Project Coordinator and Project Manager, Norwegian Refugee Council (NRC), Oslo.
- 2009-2011** Research Analyst, Cities Alliance, World Bank, Washington DC.
- 2007-2009** Research Associate, Refugee Law Project, School of Law, Makerere University, Kampala, Uganda.
- 2008** Project Coordinator, Norwegian Refugee Council (NRC), Oslo (8 months).

FELLOWSHIPS

Scholarship fellow Nordic Africa Institute, Uppsala, Sweden – Feb 15th to Mar 15th 2015

Fellowship Chancellor College Zomba, Malawi, 1st Mar to 1st Apr 2014

MOBILITY

2014 Fieldwork hosted by the Community Centre for Organization and Development (CCODE) in Lilongwe, Malawi (6 months).

2015 Fieldwork hosted by the Community Centre for Organization and Development (CCODE) in Lilongwe, Malawi (5 months).

2007-2009 Research Associate at Refugee Law Project, School of Law, Makerere University, Kampala, Uganda (2 years).

SUPERVISION OF GRADUATE STUDENTS AND RESEARCH FELLOWS

2019-- Co-supervisor PhD student at Dept. of Architecture and Planning, NTNU, Norway

2016-2019 Main supervisor 3 master students and co-supervisor 4 master students at Dept. of Geography and Dept. of Architecture and Planning, NTNU, Norway.

TEACHING ACTIVITIES

2019-- Programme Manager Mphil Globalization and Sustainable Development, Dept. of Geography, NTNU, Norway.

2018 Assistant Professor, Dept. of Architecture and Planning, NTNU, Norway. Urban Ecological Planning.

2014- 2018 PhD fellow with teaching obligations, Dept. of Geography, NTNU, Norway. Course responsible: Qualitative methods, Introduction to Africa Studies, Humanitarianism in theory and Practice. Contributing to: Theories of Social Change, North-South relations.

2014-2018 Guest lecturer at Nord Trøndelag University College and Makerere University on topics related to sustainable development.

ORGANISATION OF SCIENTIFIC MEETINGS

2019 Session organizer at the Nordic Geographers Meeting (NGM), June 2019: *Planning for sustainable urban futures: transgressing the North-South boundaries in theory and practice.*

2015 Research lead on radio debate and researcher network meeting in Lilongwe Malawi: Urbanization, informality and Governance. 80 participants.

2014 Coordinator VIII ARALIG PhD course: *Participatory Research and Planning – theory, practice and action.* Hosted by NTNU. 25 participants.

2013 Conference manager: *20 years in the right place at the right time – Building partnerships for the future.* Conference focus: Key trends, demands and challenges facing international and national efforts to build capacity and mechanisms in emergency preparedness, response, and recovery. Hosted by the Norwegian Refugee Council, Oslo. 180 participants.

2011 Session convener at the International Association for the Study of Forced Migration

- (IASFM) 13 in Kampala Uganda: *Whose Research Counts in Refugee Policymaking? A Debate between Academics and Policymakers*. 60 participants.
- 2008 Coordinator UN conference GP10: *Ten Years of the Guiding Principles on Internal Displacement*. Organized by the Norwegian Refugee Council, UNHCR, UNOCHA and the Norwegian Ministry of Foreign Affairs. 80 participants.

INSTITUTIONAL RESPONSIBILITIES

- 2019-- Programme manager Mphil Globalization and Sustainable Development. Dept. of Geography, NTNU, Norway.
- 2012-2015 Programme board member Bachelor of Social Science in African Studies. Dept. of Social Anthropology, NTNU, Norway.
- 2013-2014 External programme board member Master in Urban Ecological Planning. Dept. of Architecture and Planning, NTNU, Norway.
- 2012-2013 Representative for temporary employees at the Geography Department Board, NTNU, Norway.

PROJECT MANAGEMENT EXPERIENCE

- 2017-2018 **Smart Sustainable City Regions in India**, 2017-2021 funded by the Norwegian Centre for International Cooperation in Education. Working with students who are spending their semester doing fieldwork in Pune, India as part of the project.
- 2016-2018 [*European Humanitarian Action Partnership \(EUHAP\)*](#). ERASMUS+ Programme, 348.000 Euros. Country and institutional project member for Norway, 2016 -2018.
- 2012-2015 ***New mechanisms for inclusion and participation in urban development processes: Workshop, Urban Talks and network building in Malawi.*** Collaboration between NTNU, The Federation for the Rural and Urban Poor in Malawi, The Centre for Community Organization and Development (CCODE), University of Malawi, and The Research Institute Malawi. I was lead researcher and coordinator working together with Prof. Cathrine Brun. NOK 280.000 funded by the Faculty of Social Sciences and Technology Management NTNU, Department of Geography NTNU, and CCODE Malawi.
- 2006-2008 ***Beyond the knowledge-action gap: Action Research with Urban IDPs in Uganda*** with the NTNU Research Group on Forced Migration, funded by the Research Council of Norway, NOK 10.000, support to fieldwork for Master thesis, NOK 30.000 through the Refugee Law Project Uganda to hold meetings, produce material, and developing a short documentary on the topic. I was coordinator and lead researcher.

COMMISSIONS OF TRUST

Peer reviewer for Geoforum (level 2), Canada's Journal on Refugees, African Affairs, ACME – An International Journal for Critical Geographies, Norsk Geografisk Tidsskrift, and books from Universitetsforlaget.

MEMBERSHIPS OF ACADEMIES / SCIENTIFIC SOCIETIES

- 2018-- Board member Nordic Africa Research Network (NARN).
- 2015-2017 Head of Board Norsk Geografisk Selskap Trondheim.

MAJOR COLLABORATIONS

University of Malawi, Chancellor College: Dr. Evance Mwachunga and Professor Wiseman Chirwa.
Makerere University, Faculty of Law, Refugee Law Project, Uganda: Dr. Chris Dolan and Moses
Chrispus Okello.

Early achievements track record

I have published six articles in international peer-reviewed journals, two more are forthcoming, and I have two forthcoming chapters in peer-reviewed books. I have also written a number of practice and policy oriented texts and facilitated research dissemination in the form of policy write-ups, workshops, radio debates, documentaries and news bulletins.

SELECTED PEER REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

- Refstie, H. (2018): **Action research in critical scholarship – Negotiating multiple imperatives**, *ACME – An International Journal for Critical Geographies*, 17 (1), 201-227. Cited by 2 according to google scholar.
- Refstie, H. and Brun, C. (2016): **Voicing Noise – Political agency and the trialectics of participation in urban Malawi**, *Geoforum* 74 p. 136-146, Elsevier. Cited by 6 according to google scholar.
- Lange – Vik M., and Refstie, H. (2014): **Medvirkning, Makt, og Avmakt i Planlegging – Norge og Malawi**, *Kart og Plan*, Vol 74 årg. 107 (4) p 280-290. Cited by 3 according to google scholar.
- Morris, T., Crisp, J., Refstie, H. (2012): **Displacement in urban areas: new challenges, new partnerships**, *Disasters* Volume 35, Issue 4, Overseas Development Institute, London. Cited by 80 according to google scholar.
- Refstie, H., and Brun, C. (2011) **Towards Transformative Participation: Collaborative Research with 'Urban IDPs' in Uganda**, *Journal of Refugee Studies*, Oxford Journals. Cited by 13 according to google scholar.

SELECTED TALKS AND PRESENTATIONS

- 2017** *Voicing Noise – Participatory planning and slum upgrading in Malawi*, Presentation for the NORAD director and his team at their visit to NTNU. 02.02.2017
- 2015** *The Planning-Implementation Gap in Participatory Slum Upgrading – cases from four Malawian cities*, Main presentation at Discussion workshop on Urbanization, Governance, and Informality in Malawi, Lilongwe 09. May 2015.
- 2010** *Exploring agency in marginalized spaces – Action research with groups of urban poor in Malawi*, Presentation at Annual International Conference Royal Geographic Society, London 28 Aug. 2014.
- 2010** *Mainstreaming Gender and Youth issues into urban planning*, Presentation to the Cities Alliance Consultative Group in Mexico City 15. Nov. 2010.
- 2009** *'Urban IDPs' in Uganda - Advocating for inclusion and empowerment or maintaining marginalisation?*, Presentation at the International Association for the Study of Forced Migration (IASFM) 12 in Nicosia, Cyprus, 01st Jul 2009.
- 2008** *To be or not to be – a refugee*, Representing the Norwegian Refugee Council at Café Nord-Sør, 20.Nov. 2008.