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## APPOINTMENTS/PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- 2018-2019 Nuclear Security Postdoctoral Fellow  
Center for International Security and Cooperation (CISAC), Stanford University
- 2017-2018 Stanton Nuclear Security Predoctoral Fellow  
Center for International Security and Cooperation (CISAC), Stanford University
- 2014-2018 Research Fellow, Norwegian Institute for Defense Studies (IFS), Oslo, Norway
- 2009-2014 Senior Advisor, Norwegian Armed Forces
- 2008 Intern, Congressional Research Service, Foreign Affairs and Trade Division,  
U.S. Library of Congress, Washington, D.C.
- 2006-2008 Junior Researcher, Norwegian Defense Research Establishment
- 2007 Guest researcher, Carnegie Moscow Center, Moscow, Russia
- 2004 Stagiaire, Royal Norwegian Delegation to the European Union, Brussels

## EDUCATION

- 2014-2018 Ph.D., Kings College London, Defense Studies  
Dissertation title: "Generals Inc. Russian Nuclear strategy after the Cold War"  
(Awarded October 2018)
- 2007-2009 M.A. Security Studies, Georgetown University  
Certificate in Eurasian, Russian & Eastern European Studies
- 2004-2005 Norwegian Defense Intelligence & Security School  
NCO officer training/Russian language officer training
- 2000-2003 B.A. (Hons) Politics and International Studies, Warwick University

## FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS

- 2018-2019 MacArthur Nuclear Security Postdoctoral Fellowship, Center for International Security  
and Cooperation (CISAC) Stanford University
- 2017-2018 Stanton Nuclear Security Predoctoral Fellowship, Center for International Security and  
Cooperation, Stanford University
- 2017 UK Ministry of Defence Doctrine, Concepts and Development Centre Commission
- 2016-2017 Norwegian Defence University College Equal Opportunities Fellowship

2009	Norwegian Defence Research Establishment Publication Prize
2009	Academic Achievement Award, Security Studies Program, Georgetown University
2008-2009	Security Studies Program Scholarship, Georgetown University
2007-2009	Fulbright scholarship, Georgetown University
2005	Dress sword for Best Cadet, Norwegian Defense Intelligence and Security School
2005	Best Cadet in Military Subjects Award
2002	Fred Hirsch Award for Academic Excellence, International Politics, Warwick University

## **PUBLICATIONS**

### ***Peer-reviewed journal articles***

Bruusgaard, Kristin Ven (2016) "[Russian Strategic Deterrence](#)", *Survival*, Vol. 58 Issue 4

Bruusgaard, Kristin Ven (2014) "[Crimea and Russia's Strategic Overhaul](#)", *U.S. Army War College Quarterly Parameters* Vol. 44 Issue 3

Åtland, Kristian & Bruusgaard, Kristin Ven, (2009) "[When Security Speech Acts Misfire: Russia and the 'Elektron' Incident](#)", *Security Dialogue* Vol. 40 Issue 3

### ***Non-peer reviewed publications***

Bruusgaard, Kristin Ven (2018) "[Deterrence in the High North](#)" *The Norwegian Atlantic Committee Security Brief*, 3-2018

Bruusgaard, Kristin Ven (2018), "[Russia and strategic competition with the United States](#)", in *Current Russia Military Affairs: Assessing and Countering Russian Strategy, Operational Planning and Modernization*, Dr. John R. Deni (Ed.), U.S. Army War College Strategic Studies Institute

Bruusgaard, Kristin Ven (2017) "Norwegian Deterrence", Commissioned paper for the UK Ministry of Defence Deterrence Concepts and Doctrine Centre, April 2017

Bruusgaard, Kristin Ven (2016) "[Russia's NATO policy](#)" (in Norwegian), *IFS Insight* 1/2016

Bruusgaard, Kristin Ven & Andresen, Rolf-Inge Vogt (2009), "[Permanent Readiness Units in the Russian Armed Forces](#)", *FFI-Rapport*, 2009/00605

Bruusgaard, Kristin Ven (2007), "The Future of Russian Peacekeeping", *Carnegie Moscow Center Briefing* Vol. 9, Issue 2 (June)

Bruusgaard, Kristin Ven (2006). "[Fisheries conflicts in the Barents Sea: Potential for Escalation?](#)" (In Norwegian), *FFI-Rapport* 2006/03167

### ***Policy pieces and op eds***

Bruusgaard, Kristin Ven and Målfrid Braut-Hegghammer (2019), "[Dangerous treaty collapse](#)" (in Norwegian), op.ed. *Dagens Næringsliv*, 7 February

Bruusgaard, Kristin Ven (2018), "[Here's why U.S. tactical nukes are a bad idea](#)", *The National Interest Online*, 10 December

Bruusgaard, Kristin Ven (2018), [“Putin’s wish list does not include destroying Trump”](#) *Bulletin of the Atomic Scientists*, 19 July

Bruusgaard, Kristin Ven (2018), [“The Russian Rogue in the New Nuclear Posture Review”](#), Policy Roundtable on the Trump Administration’s Nuclear Posture Review, *Texas National Security Review*, 13 February

Bruusgaard, Kristin Ven (2018), [“Dangerous arms race”](#) (in Norwegian), Op.Ed., *Dagens Næringsliv*, 6 February

Bruusgaard, Kristin Ven (2017), [“The myth of Russia’s lowered nuclear threshold”](#), *War on the Rocks*, 22 September

Bruusgaard, Kristin Ven (2016) [“Is Russia unpredictable?”](#) (in Norwegian), Op. ed. in *Dagens Næringsliv*, 14 June

## **WORKS IN PROGRESS**

*Russian Nuclear Strategy after the Cold War* (Book manuscript)

*Russia’s Nuclear Strategy of Survival* (article draft)

*Crisis stability and the contemporary information ecosystem* (article, co-authored with Jackie Kerr)

## **PRESENTATIONS**

“Russia and the INF/the future of arms control”

- Stimson Center panel debate, 20 March 2019
- Oslo Nuclear Project, University of Oslo 27 February 2019
- CISAC Seminar, Stanford University, 6 November 2018

“Russian Nuclear Strategy after the Cold War”

- Inaugural Theory and Practice of Security Conference, 19 March 2019
- Sandia National Laboratory Bay Area Speaker Series, Livermore, 29 January 2019
- Center for Nonproliferation Studies, Middlebury Institute for International Affairs, January 2019
- Center for Strategic and International Studies, Washington, DC, 16 November 2018
- American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Boston, 31 August 2018
- STRATCOM Academic Alliance Speaker, 17 April 2018
- International Studies Association Annual Convention, San Francisco, 4 April 2018
- CISAC Social Science Seminar, Stanford University, 18 January 2018
- Stanton Nuclear Security Seminar, Washington, DC 19 Oct 2017
- Norwegian Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Ministry of Defence, Oslo, 2016

“Russian strategic deterrence/ Russian strategic competitiveness”

- UCSD IGCC/Governor of California Workshop, Sacramento, 27 November 2018
- Kingston Conference on International Security, 13 June 2018
- EUCOM/US Army War College workshop on Current Russian Military affairs, 1 May 2018
- IISS Military Balance workshop, London 12 December 2017
- Lawrence Livermore Annual Deterrence Symposium, 15 November 2017
- Strategic Weapons in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century, Washington, DC, 26 January 2017
- The Norwegian Atlantic Committee, 30 August 2016
- Deterrence and Assurance Conference, Wilton Park UK, 11 May 2016
- UK Defence Academy/ King’s College Deterrence Conference, 13 June 2016
- Norwegian Defence Research Establishment, 30 September 2016

- Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory Global Crossroads Series, 10 February 2016
- CISAC Nuclear Reading Group, Stanford University, 9 February 2016
- Centre for Science and Security Studies, King's College London, 19 January 2016
- NATO Defence College, Rome, 3 December 2015

“Lost in Translation: NATO, Russia and Mutual Deterrence”

- Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory, 29 March 2018
- International Studies Association Annual convention, Baltimore, 23 February 2017
- Woodrow Wilson Center, Washington, DC, 27 January 2017
- US State Department Bureau of Intelligence and Research, January 2017
- NATO Nuclear Policy Symposium, Tallinn, 12 October 2016

“NATO and Russia in the High North”

- Norwegian Army Summit, Oslo, 18 September 2018
- NATO Parliamentary Assembly Meeting, Norwegian Parliament, Oslo 11 May 2017
- Norwegian Border Guard Annual Meeting, Kirkenes, 10 February 2017
- Norwegian Naval Special Forces Annual Meeting, 14 April 2016

“How to deter grey zone conflict/ Hybrid threats “

- Oslo Defence Association Roundtable, 29 August 2016
- 2016 Deterrence Symposium, US Strategic Command, 28 July 2016
- Intelligence module lecture, Norwegian Defence University College 2016 and 2015
- Norwegian Police Security Service, 3 November 2015

**TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

2019	Guest lecturer, Naval Postgraduate School, Monterey
2018	Guest lecturer, UC Berkeley and Stanford University
2016-2017	MA Examiner and MA thesis supervisor, University of Oslo
2015-2016	Seminar leader and MA thesis advisor Norwegian Defense University College
2014-2016	Lecturer at the Norwegian Defense University College

**SERVICE**

Chair of the CISAC Nuclear Reading Group 2018/2019, Stanford University  
 Manuscript reviewer, *International Security*, *U.S. Army War College Quarterly Parameters*, *Nordisk Øst-Forum*, *Norsk Militært Tidsskrift (Norwegian Military Journal)*  
 Member International Studies Association and American Political Science Association

**LANGUAGES**

Norwegian (mother tongue), Russian (intermediate level), Spanish, German