

PERSONAL INFORMATION

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EDUCATION

1998 PhD, Department of Comparative Politics, University of Bergen, Norway

CURRENT POSITION(S)

2006 – Professor of Comparative Politics, Department of Comparative Politics, University of Bergen, Norway

2000 – Senior Researcher, Chr. Michelsen Institute (CMI), Bergen, Norway (since 2009 adjunct position 20%)

PREVIOUS POSITIONS

2013 – 2014 Visiting Professor, Department of Political Science, University of California Berkeley, United States

2009 – 2013 Head of Department, Department of Comparative Politics, University of Bergen, Norway

2004 – 2006 Professor II, Department of Comparative Politics, University of Bergen, Norway

2003 – 2006 Research Director, Chr. Michelsen Institute (CMI), Bergen, Norway

2001 – 2002 Associate Professor (adjunct position), Department of Comparative Politics, University of Bergen, Norway

1999 – 2000 Associate Professor, University of Bergen

FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS

2017- 2021 Research Council of Norway (FRIHUMSAM): Breaking BAD: Explaining Backlash Against Democracy (PI).

2016-2020 Political determinants of sexual and reproductive health in Africa (RNC, Globvac), lead Researcher Zambia country study

2016-2020 Vetenskapsrådet (The Swedish Research Council): Social Institutions and Governance: Lessons from Sub-Sahara Africa (Gothenburg University, co PI with Ellen Lust

2015 – 2016 Peder Sather Center for Advanced Study (UC Berkeley) grant 2015-2016: “The Bergen-Berkeley Research Program on Political Parties in the Developing World.” Co-PI with Leo Arriola (UC Berkeley)

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2012 – 2019 Meltzerfund (University of Bergen) (2008, 2012, 2013, 2014, 16, 2019): Research grants (2012-13: Elections in Hybrid regimes), research stay abroad and travel grants

SUPERVISION OF GRADUATE STUDENTS AND POSTDOCTORAL FELLOWS

2000- 5 PhDs (Espen Dahle, Vibeke Wang, Ingvild Skage and Svein-Erik Helle, Lisa-Marie Selvik (ongoing)
25 MA-students, Department of Comparative Politics, University of Bergen, Norway

2005- I have been the external examiner of PhD candidates Marianne Ulriksen (Aarhus University (2012), Rasmus Broms (Gothenburg University 2016), Lindsay Whitfield, Roskilde University (2019).

COLLABORATIVE RESEARCH PROJECTS LED BY APPLICANT

I have been the PI of ten major research projects funded by agencies such as the Research Council of Norway, The Swedish Research Council, Norwegian Ministry of Foreign Affairs, The Norwegian Agency of Development Aid (Norad), Department for International Development (DFID), UN-Wider, The International University Board of Norway (NUFU), The Netherlands Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Development Cooperation Ireland. The research projects have involved longterm collaborations with researchers and research institutions in Africa (Chancellor College, Malawi, Makerere University, Uganda, Institute of Social and Economic Research, and Southern African Institute of Research and Policy, Zambia).

INSTITUTIONAL RESPONSIBILITIES

2009 – 2013 Member of the Faculty Board, Faculty of Social Science, University of Bergen

COMMISSIONS OF TRUST

2017- Leader Torolf Rafto Human Rights Prize Committee

2016- Member of Research Council of Norway Evaluation Committee

2013 – 2015 Member of Swedish Research Council Evaluation Committee

2011 – Member of the Skytteanum prize committee: Uppsala University

2010 – 2010 Member of Research Council: SIDA, Development Research Cooperation

2007 – 2009 Member of the Development Policy Council: Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Sweden

2002 – Member of International Board of Advisors: Democratization

2000 – 2002 Board Member: Norwegian Association for Development Research (NFU)

2000 – 2007 Board Member: Bergen Human Rights House

REVIEWER:

African Affairs, American Journal of Political Studies, Comparative Political Studies, Democratization, International Political Science Review, Journal of Modern African Studies, Party Politics, Journal of Peace Research, Political Behavior, World Development, World Politics.

MAJOR INTERNATIONAL COLLABORATIONS

Leo Arriola, UC Berkeley; Peter Burnell, University of Warwick; Deborah Brautigam, Johns Hopkins University; Boniface Dulani, Chancellor College, Malawi; Marja Hinfelaar, Saipar, Zambia; Ellen Lust, University of Gothenburg; Mette Kjær, Aarhus University; Sabiti Makara, Makerere University; Anna Persson, Gothenburg University; Vicky Randall, Essex University; Manuela Travaglianti, UC Berkeley, Nic van de Walle, Cornell University.

PEDAGOGIC BIOGRAPHY

I have taught various courses at the department of Comparative Politics since 1999. As head of department (2009-2013), I was responsible for a major reform of the Bachelor and Master Programme. I have developed five bachelor courses and ten MA courses as well as three courses at Bergen Summer Research School (2015, 2016, 2017). I have taught a PhD seminar at UC Berkeley, Department of Political Science (2014). I have supervised approximately 50 bachelor students, 25 master students, and five PhD candidates. I have been a member of PhD evaluation committees at Gothenburg University, Roskilde University and Århus University.

SCIENTIFIC TRACK-RECORD

My publication record, after completing my PhD degree (monograph) consists of: one monograph, three edited books, a text book at OUP Press (Politics in the Developing World) published in its 5th edition March 2017, approximately 60 articles and chapters in peer review journals and books (of which 14 articles are in scientific level 2 journals). In my discipline, the norm is that authorship follows alphabetical order. Google citations: 2437, h-index 29, i10 index 50.

PEER REVIEWED SCIENTIFIC WORKS (selected)

Monographs and edited books

- Burnell, Peter, Vicky Randall and Lise Rakner (eds.), 2017. Politics in the Developing World. Oxford University Press, 5th edition.
- Elgesem, D., E. Eide, S. Gloppen, and L. Rakner (red.), 2014. Klima, Medier og Politikk. Oslo: Abstrakt Forlag
- Kiiza, Julius, Sabiti Makara and Lise Rakner (eds.), 2008. Electoral Democracy in Uganda: Understanding the Institutional Dynamics, Processes and Outcomes of the 2006 Multiparty Elections. Kampala: Fountain Publishers.
- Gloppen, Siri and Lise Rakner (eds.), 2007: Globalization and Democratisation: Challenges for Political Parties. Bergen: Fagbokforlaget.
- Rakner, Lise, 2003: Political and Economic Liberalisation in Zambia. Uppsala: The Nordic Africa Institute.

Journal articles and book chapters

- Rakner, Lise. 2019. "Democratic Rollback in Africa". In Oxford Encyclopedia of African Politics. Oxford University Press. doi:10.1093/acrefore/9780190228637.013.887.
- Gloppen, S and L. Rakner. 2019 (forthcoming) "LGBT Rights in Africa", in Ashford C, & Maine A (eds) Research Handbook on Gender, Sexuality and the Law (London: Edward Elgar 2019, forthcoming).
- Muriaas, Ragnhild L., Vibeke Wang, Lindsay Benstead, Boniface Dulani, and Lise Rakner 2018. "Why the Gender of Traditional Authorities Matters: Intersectionality and Women's Rights Advocacy in Malawi." Comparative Political Studies, (May). doi:[10.1177/0010414018774369](https://doi.org/10.1177/0010414018774369).

- Lust, Ellen and Lise Rakner, 2018. "The Other Side of Taxation: Extraction and Social Institutions in the Developing World", Annual Review of Political Science 2018, 21:1
- Ballen, C., Lee, D., Rakner, L., & Cotner, S. 2018. "Politics a "Chilly" Environment for Undergraduate Women in Norway", PS: Political Science & Politics, 1-6. doi:10.1017/S1049096518000045
- Rakner, Lise and Vicky Randall, 2017. "Institutions", in Burnell, Peter, Vicky Randall and Lise Rakner (eds.), Politics in the Developing World. Oxford University Press, 5th edition.
- Rakner, Lise, 2017: "Democracy and Regime Change", in Burnell, Peter, Vicky Randall and Lise Rakner (eds.), Politics in the Developing World. Oxford University Press, 5th edition.
- Rakner, Lise 2017,: "Governance", in Burnell, Peter, Vicky Randall and Lise Rakner (eds.), Politics in the Developing World. Oxford University Press, 5th edition.
- Helle, Svein Erik and Lise Rakner, 2017. "The impact of elections. The case of Uganda", in Gerschewski, Johannes and Christoph Stefes (eds.). Crisis in Autocratic Regimes, Boulder: Lynne Rienner, pp. 111-134.
- Rakner, Lise, 2017. "Tax bargains in unlikely places: The politics of Zambian mining taxes". The Extractive Industries and Society (4), pp. 525-538.
- Muriaas, Ragnhild Louise, Lise Rakner, and Ingvild Skage, 2016. "Political capital of ruling parties after regime change: Contrasting successful insurgencies to peaceful pro-democracy movements. Civil Wars, Vol. 18(2) pp. 175-191.
- Gloppen, Siri and L. Rakner 2015. «Norske klimaparakser», Norsk Statsvitenskapelig Tidsskrift, Vol 31, No. 3, pp 246-256.
- Gloppen, L. Rakner og V. Vibe 2014. "Stortingsklima: Klima som valgkamptema og norske politikeres syn på klimautfordringene", i, Klima, Medier og Politikk. Oslo: Abstrakt Forlag.
- Vibe, V. S. Gloppen og L. Rakner 2014. "Klimabistand: God bistandspolitikk? "Klima, Medier og Politikk. Oslo: Abstrakt Forlag.
- O.L.M. Ferraz, S. Gloppen, O. Mæstad, L. Rakner, 2014. "Judging the price of life: cost considerations in right-to-health litigation" I H.S. Aasen, S. Gloppen, A-M Magnussen, E. Nilssen: Juridification and Social Citizenship in the Welfare State. Edward Elgar Publishing
- Helle Svein-Erik and Lise Rakner, 2014. "Grabbing an election: Abuse of state resources in the 2011 elections in Uganda" in Tina Søreide and Aled Williams (eds.): Corruption, Grabbing, and Development. Real World Challenges. London and Massachusetts: Edward Elgar Publishing, pp. 164-174.
- Rakner, Lise and Lars Svåsand, 2013. "Competition and participation, but no democracy: The politics of elections in Africa's feckless regimes" Statsvetenskapelig Tidsskrift, Vol 115, No 4, pp. 365-384.
- Rakner, Lise, Mette Bakken, 2013. "Elections", in Nadini Patel and Lars Svåsand (eds.), Government and Politics in Malawi, 2nd edition. Zomba: Kachere Books.
- Rakner, Lise, 2013: "Foreign Aid and Democratic Consolidation in Zambia" in Resnick, Danielle and Nicolas van de Walle (eds.): Democratic Trajectories in Africa: Unravelling the Impact of Foreign Aid. Oxford University Press.
- Rakner, Lise, Svein-Erik Helle and Siri Gloppen, 2012. "I pose og sekk? Klima i norsk utviklingspolitikk etter 2005", Nye stormakter i Afrika - utvikling eller utbytting? Scandinavian Academic Press, pp. 271-295.

- Rakner, Lise and Lars Svåsand, 2012. "Foreign aid, democracy promotion and democratic progress", in Jens Blom-Hansen, Christoffer Green-Pedersen and Svend-Erik Skaaning(eds.): Democracy, Elections and Political Parties. Aarhus: Politica, pp. 39-49.
- Rakner, Lise, 2011. "Institutionalizing the pro-democracy movements: the case of Zambia's Movement for Multiparty Democracy", Democratization, Vol. 18 (5) pp. 1106-1124.
- Rakner, Lise, Ottar Mæstad, Octavio Luiz Motta Ferraz, 2011. "Assessing the impact of health rights litigation: A comparative analysis of Argentina, Brazil, Colombia, Costa Rica, India and South Africa" in Litigating Health Rights: Can Courts Bring More Justice to Health (Harvard Law School Human Rights Programme Series). Harvard University Press, pp. 273-303.
- Rakner, Lise 2010. "The Management of the 2009 Electoral Process. The Role of the Malawi Electoral Commission", in Ott, Martin and Fidelis Edge Kanyongolo (eds.): Democracy in Progress: Malawi's 2009 Parliamentary and Presidential Elections. Blantyre: Kachere Books, No. 48, pp. 25-47.
- Rakner, Lise and Lars Svåsand, 2010. "In search of the impact of international support for political parties in new democracies: Malawi and Zambia compared", Democratization, Vol. 17(6) pp. 1250-1274.
- Rakner, Lise and Nicolas van de Walle, 2009. "Opposition Parties and Incumbent Presidents: the New Dynamics of Electoral Competition in Africa", in Staffan Lindberg (ed.) Democratization by Elections. A New Mode of Transition. Baltimore: Johns Hopkins University Press, pp. 202-225.
- Makara, Sabiti, Lise Rakner and Lars Svåsand, 2009. "Turnaround: The National Resistance Movement and the Reintroduction of Multiparty-Party System in Uganda, International Political Science Review, Vol. 30 (2), pp. 185-204.
- Rakner, Lise and Nicolas van de Walle, 2009. "Opposition Weakness in Africa", Journal of Democracy, Vol 20 (3), pp. 108-121.
- Rakner, Lise and Lars Svåsand, 2009. "Valgets Politikk: Betydningen av administrative virkemidler for å beholde makten I Malawi og Uganda", Politika, Vol. 41 (3), pp. 268-282.
- Fritz, Verena, Alina Rocha Menocal and Lise Rakner, 2008. "Hybrid regimes and the challenges of deepening and sustaining democracy in developing countries", South African Journal of International Affairs Vol. 15 (1), pp. 29-40.
- Rakner, Lise, Lars Svåsand and Nixon Khembo, 2007. "Fissions and fusions, foes and friends: Party system restructuring in the 2004 elections in Malawi", Comparative Political Studies, Vol. 40 (9), pp. 1112-1137.

Working Papers

- Arriola, Leonardo R. and Lise Rakner, 2017. "Reconceptualizing African Party Systems: Explaining the Variation in Institutionalized Competition." (under review)
- Dulani, Boniface, Lise Rakner, Lindsay J. Benstead, and Vibeke Wang, 2018. "'Because We Expect More from You': The Gender and Corruption Factor in the 2014 Presidential Elections." Malawi Journal of Social Science. (April).
- Ragnhild Muriaas, Vibeke Wang, Lindsay J. Benstead, Boniface Dulani and Lise Rakner (2017). ['It Takes a female Chief: Gender and Effective Policy Advocacy in Malawi'](#), Working Paper, No.11, The program on Governance and Local Development (GLD). Yale and University of Gothenburg.
- Arriola, Leonardo R., Donghyun Danny Choi, Justine Davis, Lise Rakner, Ingvild Skage, and Melanie Thompson, 2017. "Party Building and Politician Defection in Zambia." (under review).

Kristen Kao, Ellen Lust and Lise Rakner, 2017. "Money Machine: Do the poor demand clientilism. Gothenburg University, Program on Governance and Local Pevvelopment (GLD), WP, 14. (under review)

Benstead, Lindsay; Dulani, Boniface; Muriaas, Ragnhild Louise; Rakner, Lise; Wang, Vibeke 2017. The Local Governance Performance Index (LGPI) in Malawi: Selected Findings on Gender. Gothenburg University: The Program on Governance and Local Development (GLD) 2017, 64 s.

Organization of international conferences

Bergen Summer Research School 15-27 June 2015: Inequality and Governance: Challenges for Inclusive and Sustainable Government. PHD Summer Course (15 participants from India, Iran, Netherlands, Nigeria, Norway, Uganda, South Africa)