**Curriculum Vitae**

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**Professional career**

2020 - Ambassador of Norway to the Republic of Lithuania

2017 - Ambassador of Norway to the Republic of Belarus with residence in Kyiv, from September 2020 with residence in Vilnius

2016 – 2020 Ambassador of Norway to Ukraine

2012 - 2016 Deputy Director General, Department for Culture and Protocol

2010 – 2012 Special Adviser on the High North

2006 – 2010 Minister Counsellor, Deputy Head of Mission, Norwegian Embassy in Paris

2002 – 2006 Director, Head of Section for Russia and the CIS-countries

1999 – 2002 Minister Counsellor, Deputy Head of Mission, Norwegian Embassy in Moscow

1997 – 1999 Counsellor (political affairs), Norwegian Embassy in Moscow

1996 – 1997 Deputy Head of Section on Economic Relations with Russia, Eastern and Central Europe.

1993 – 1996 First Secretary (economic affairs), Norwegian Embassy in Paris

1990 – 1993 Attaché/Second Secretary, Norwegian Embassy in Warsaw

1988 – 1990 Trainee in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Eastern/Central European desk

1987 – 1988 Interpreter, office of the Border Commissioner for the Norwegian – Soviet border, Kirkenes

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1983 – 1984 University lecturer in Russian language, University of Bergen