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DEGREES

2010	PhD, Political Science, Norwegian University of Science and Technology, NTNU Dissertation title: Beliefs & Bloodshed: Understanding Religion and Intrastate Conflict	
	Advisors: Scott Gates (PRIO/NTNU), Ola Listhaug (NTNU/CSCW)	
2004	Cand. Polit. (Master of Arts) and Bachelor of Arts (BA), Political Science. Norwegian University of Science and Technology (NTNU)	

EXPERIENCE

Current positions

January 2017-	Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science, University of Michigan		
	Faculty Associate, Center for Political Studies, Institute for Social Research		
	Faculty Associate, Donia Human Rights Center		
	Core faculty, Program in International and Comparative Studies		
June 2017-	Associate Editor, Journal of Peace Research		
April 2010-	Senior Researcher, Peace Research Institute Oslo (PRIO)		

Past positions

2014-2017	Deputy Editor, Journal of Peace Research
2016	Head of Department/Research Director, Conditions of Violence and Peace Department, Peace Research Institute Oslo (PRIO)
2012-2013	Associate Editor, Journal of Peace Research
2010-2011	Visiting Research Fellow, Kroc Institute for International Peace Studies, University of Notre Dame
2008-2010	Research Fellow, Belfer Center, Harvard Kennedy School
2006-2011	Editorial Committee member, Journal of Peace Research
2006-2008	Book Review Editor, Journal of Peace Research
2005-2010	Researcher, Centre for the Study of Civil War (CSCW), PRIO
2005	Research Assistant, Norwegian University of Science and Technology (NTNU)
2004-2005	Research Assistant, Centre for the Study of Civil War (CSCW), Peace Research Institute Oslo (PRIO)
2002-2005	Teaching Assistant, NTNU
2002	Student Assistant-SPSS, NTNU

PUBLICATIONS

Citations

Google Scholar Citations:	3392 (as of January 8, 2024)
h-index:	19
i10-index:	35

Peer-reviewed journal articles (22)

- 1. Nordås, R. & H. M. Binningsbø (2022) Sexual violence and the perils of impunity. *Journal of Conflict Resolution*. 66(6): 1066-1090.
- 2. Dumaine, L; **R Nordås**, M Gargiulo, E J Wood (2021) Repertoires of Conflict-Related Sexual Violence: Introducing the RSVAC Data Package *Journal of Peace Research*. 59(4): 611-621.

3. Nordås, R. & D. K. Cohen (2021) "Conflict-related sexual violence." Annual Review of Political Science 24:193–211

• Translation: "Violencia sexual derivada del conflict" (with Dara Cohen) *Estudios Socio-Jurídicos* 24(1): 163- 200 (January 2022).

- 4. Kruger, J. & **R. Nordås** (2020) "A latent variable approach to measuring sexual violence in armed conflict" *Journal of Peace Research*. 57 (6): 728-739.
- 5. Finnbakk, I. & **R. Nordås** (2019) "Community perspectives and pathways to reintegration of survivors of sexual violence in eastern Democratic Republic of Congo". *Human Rights Quarterly* 41(2): 263-282.
- 6. Leiby M., G. Østby, & **R. Nordås** (2019) "The legacy of wartime violence on intimate partner abuse". *International Studies Quarterly* 63(1): 1-14.
- Quattrochi, J., R. Biaba, R. Nordås, G. Østby, S. Alldén, A. Cikara, E. Namegabe, and C. Amisi. (2019) "Effects of an empowerment program for survivors of sexual violence on attitudes and beliefs: evidence from the Democratic Republic of Congo." *International journal for equity in health* 18(1): 1-14.
- 8. Amisi, C.; R. B. Apassa, A. Cikara, G. Østby, **R. Nordås,** S. Aa. Rustad, and J. Quattrochi (2018) "The impact of support programs for survivors of sexual violence: Micro-level evidence from eastern Democratic Republic of Congo". *Medicine, Conflict & Survival* 34(3): 201-223.
- 9. Rustad, S., G. Østby & **R. Nordås** (2016) Does Artisanal Mining Increase the Risk of Sexual Violence? Micro-level evidence from Eastern Congo. *Quality In Primary Care* 24(33):77-80.
- 10. Rustad, S., G. Østby & **R. Nordås** (2016). "Artisanal mining, conflict, and sexual violence in Eastern DRC". *The Extractive Industries and Society* 3(2): 475-484.
- 11. Cohen, D. K. & **R. Nordås** (2015). "Do States Delegate Shameful Violence to Militias? Patterns of Sexual Violence in Recent Armed Conflicts" *Journal of Conflict Resolution* 59(5): 877-898.
- 12. Cohen, D. K. & **R. Nordås** (2014) "Sexual Violence in Armed Conflict: A new dataset 1989-2009". *Journal of Peace Research* 51(3): 418-428.
- 13. Gleditsch, N. P. & **R. Nordås** (2014) "Conflicting messages? The IPCC on conflict and human security", *Political Geography* 43: 82-90.
- 14. Nordås, R. (2014) "Religious demography and conflict: Lessons from Côte d'Ivoire and Ghana." *International Area Studies Review* 17(2): 146-166.
- 15. **Nordås, R**. & C. Davenport (2013) "'Fight the Youth': Youth Bulges and State Repression." *American Journal of Political Science* 57(4): 926-940.

- 16. Nordås, R. & S. Aa. Rustad (2013) "Sexual Exploitation and Abuse by Peacekeepers: Understanding Variation." *International Interactions* 39(4): 511-534.
- 17. Østby, G.; H. Strand, **R. Nordås** & N.P. Gleditsch (2013) "Gender Gap or Gender Bias in Peace Research? Publication Patterns and Citation Rates for Journal of Peace Research, 1983–2008." *International Studies Perspectives* 14(4): 493-506.
- 18. Østby, G., **R. Nordås** & J. K. Rød (2009) "Regional Inequalities and Civil Conflict in Sub-Saharan Africa". *International Studies Quarterly* 53: 301–324.
- 19. Achvarina, V.; **R. Nordås**; G. Østby & S. Aa. Rustad (2009) "Armut und die Rekrutierung von Kindersoldaten: Eine disaggregierte Studie der afrikanischen Regionen." [Regional Poverty and Child Soldier Recruitment: A Disaggregated Study of African Regions] *Politische Vierteljahresschrift*. Special Issue (43).
- 20. Gleditsch, N.P. & **R. Nordås** (2009) "Climate Change and Conflict: A Critical Overview" (with Nils Petter Gleditsch). *Die Friedens-Warte: Journal of International Peace and Organization*, Special Issue on Climate Change and Armed Conflict 84(2): 11–28.
- 21. De Soysa, I. & **R. Nordås** (2007) "Islam's Bloody Innards? Religion and Political Terror, 1980–2000" (with Indra de Soysa). *International Studies Quarterly* 51(4): 927–943.
- 22. Gleditsch, N. P. & **R. Nordås** (2007) "Climate Change and Conflict" *Political Geography* 26(6): 627–638.

Peer-reviewed book chapters (7)

- 1. **Nordås, R.** (2018) "'Sons of the Soil' Conflicts and Autochthony: Bridging the Literatures" in People Changing Places: New Perspectives on Demography, Migration, Conflict and the State, edited by Isabelle Côté, Matthew I. Mitchell and Monica Duffy Toft. Routledge.
- 2. **Nordås, R.** (2017) "The Prevalence of Conflict-Related Sexual Violence: When, Where and By Whom?" In Peace and Conflict 2017. David Backer, Ravinder Bhavnani, Paul Huth, eds. Taylor & Francis.
- 3. **Nordås, R.** & S. Aa. Rustad (2015) "Assessing Sexual Exploitation and Abuse by Peacekeepers" in Louise Olsson & Ismene Gizelis eds. Gender, Peace and Security: Implementing UNSCR 1325. Taylor & Francis.
- 4. **Nordås, R.** & N. P. Gleditsch (2015) "Climate change and conflict" In Competition and Conflicts on Resource Use. Susanne Hartland & Wolfgang Liebert (eds.) Springer. Pp. 21-38.

- 5. **Nordås, R.** & N. P. Gleditsch (2013). "The IPCC, human security, and the climate-conflict nexus." In Handbook on Climate Change and Human Security, edited by Michael R. Redclift and Marco Grasso. Cheltenham, UK: Edward Edgar. [pp. 67-88]
- 6. **Nordås, R.** (2011) "Devil in the Demography? Religion, Identity, and War in Cote d'Ivoire", in Jack Goldstone, Monica Toft & Eric Kaufmann (eds.). *Political Demography: Interests, Conflict and Institutions*. Oxford University press. [pp. 252-267]
- Knutsen, T.; H. M Binningsbø.; R. Ekle; & R. Nordås (2003) "Afghanistan under den kalde krigen" [Afghanistan during the Cold War] in Torbjørn Knutsen (ed.) Blodspor. Om bakgrunnen til 11. september [Traces of Blood. The Background to 11 September]. Oslo: Cappelen.

Book reviews (9)

- 2008 Review of Elizabeth Shakman Hurd, 2008. The Politics of Secularism in International Relations. Princeton, NJ: Princeton University Press. In Journal of Peace Research 45(4): 576-577
- 2008 Review of Olivier Roy, 2007. Secularism Confronts Islam. Translated by George Holoch. New York: Columbia University Press. In Journal of Peace Research 45(2): 306-307
- 2008 Review of Emmet Kennedy, 2006. Secularism and Its Opponents from Augustine to Solzhenitsyn. New York: Palgrave Macmillan. In Journal of Peace Research 45(2): 304.
- 2008 Review of Tom Kramer, 2007. The United Wa State Party: Narco-Army or Ethnic Nationalist Party? Policy Studies 38. Washington, DC: East-West Center. In Journal of Peace Research 45(2): 304-305.
- 2007 Review of Brenda Shaffer, ed., 2006. The Limits of Culture: Islam and Foreign Policy. Cambridge, MA: MIT Press. In Journal of Peace Research 44(3): 371.
- 2007 Review of Niels Kastfelt, ed., 2005. Religion and African Civil Wars. New York: Palgrave Macmillan. In Journal of Peace Research 44(2): 249-250
- Review of: Kivimäki, Timo, ed., 2005. Islam, the West, and Violence: Sources, Catalysts, and Preventive Measures. Helsinki: Foreign Ministry of Finland.173 pp. ISBN 9517244908.Islam, the West, and Violence: Sources, Catalysts, and Preventive Measures." In *Journal of Peace Research* 43.4 (2006): 497.
- 2006 Review of Sturla J. Stålsett & Oddbjørn Leirvik, eds., 2004. The Power of Faiths in Global Politics. Oslo: Novus. In Journal of Peace Research 43(2): 236
- 2005 Review of Jacob Neusner, ed., 2003. God's Rule: The Politics of World Religions. Washington, DC: Georgetown University Press. 281 pp. ISBN 0878409106. In Journal of Peace Research 42(1): 117-118

Other Publications

- 2022 Ragnhild Nordås and Dara Kay Cohen, (2022), "Violencia sexual derivada del conflicto", [Estudios Socio-Jurídicos], 24 (1) (Pub type: Article (invited))
- 2017 Gleditsch, N. P., R. Nordås, and H. Urdal. (2017) "Peer Review and Replication Data: Best Practice from Journal of Peace Research." College & Research Libraries 78.3 (2017). Guest editorial.
- 2014 Scott Gates and Ragnhild Nordås "Recruitment, Retention, and Religion in Rebel Groups" Simons Papers in Security and Development No. 32/2014 | January 2014.
- Seksualisert vold i krig of konflikt [Sexualized violence in war and conflict] In A. Schølset,
 ed. Gender i Forsvaret [Gender in the Military]. Oslo, Norway: Abstrakt Forlag. [pp. 243-272] (with Lars Morten Bjørkholt). *Textbook for Norwegian military academy*.
- 2014 Seksuell utnyttelse og overgrep i internasjonale operasjoner [Sexual exploitation and abuse in international operations] In A. Schølset, ed. Gender i Forsvaret [Gender in the Military]. Oslo, Norway: Abstrakt Forlag. [pp. 273-300] (with Lars Morten Bjørkholt). *Textbook for Norwegian military academy*.
- 2007 "Climate Change and Conflict: the Migration Link" (with Nils Petter Gleditsch and Idean Salehyan). International Peace Academy: Coping with Crisis Working Paper Series. New York: International Peace Academy. URL: <u>http://www.ipacademy.org/publication/policy-papers/detail/110-climate-change-and-conflict-the-migration-link.html</u>
- 2004 State Religiosity and Civil War: How Religious Heterogeneity and the Degree of Separation between Religion and State Influence the Risk of Intrastate Armed Conflict. MA Thesis. Trondheim, Norway: Norwegian University of Science and Technology

In progress

Book manuscript: Why states commit sexual violence

The book draws on new data on patterns of sexual violence by states in the years 1980-2016, and survey experiments assessing how people understand the strategic utility and impact of sexual violence as a form of political violence and repression. This is the first major work to brings our attention to how states commit acts of sexual violence not only as part of warfare, but also as part of their repressive repertoire.

Papers under review

- 1. Stopping the "hangry": Food prices and state repression (with Ida Rudolfsen)
- 2. African National Youth policies (data feature) (with Bintu Zahara Sakor, Carina Strøm)

Working Papers

- 3. How are the effects of repression on mobilization gendered? Assessing public perceptions (with Ingrid Vik Bakken, Anne-Kathrin Kreft)
- 4. Is sexual violence exceptional? Public perceptions (with Ingrid Vik Bakken, Anne-Kathrin Kreft)
- 5. Corruption and state-perpetrated sexual violence (with Marianne Dahl)
- 6. Warfare and schooling: The impact of conflict tactics targeting children on educational dropout. (with Gudrun Østby, Siri Aas Rustad, and Roos Haer)

AWARDS AND FELLOWSHIPS

2023	J. David Singer Data Innovation Award for the SVAC dataset	
	Awarded biennially by the Conflict Processes Section, American Political Science Association (with Dara Kay Cohen and Rob Nagel).	
2021	Winner of the MIDAS Reproducibility Challenge), University of Michigan (w/ Jule Krüger.	
	"Data Processing Principles for Auditable and Reproducible Research". Krüger and Nordås provide a template for a principled approach to organize, document and share a computational project.	
2020	Sweetland Writing Center fellowship, University of Michigan	
2010-2011	Research Fellowship, Kroc Institute, University of Notre Dame.	
2009-2010	Research Fellowship, Belfer Center, Harvard Kennedy School.	
2008-2009	Predoctoral Fellowship, Belfer Center, Harvard Kennedy School.	
2005-2009	PhD Scholarship, Centre for the Study of Civil War (CSCW), Peace Research Institute Oslo (PRIO)	
2003	MA Student Fellowship, Peace Research Institute Oslo (PRIO)	

RESEARCH GRANTS

2024-2026	National Science Foundation: "United States participation in Wave 8 th of the World Value Survey," (with Jon Miller)	USD 400 000
2023-2027	Minerva Research Initiative: "Climate Change, Demographic Shifts, and Socio- Political Stability in Sub-Saharan Africa" (with Arun Agrawal, Ken Kollman, Yuri Zhukov, Anne Pitcher, H. V. Jagadish)	USD 3 099 798
2021-2025	Norwegian Research Council: "DIVIDENDS: From Curse to Demographic Dividends: Sub-Saharan Africa's Youth Bulges" (with Henrik Urdal)	USD 1 350 000
2017-2022	Norwegian Research Council: "Dynamics of Conflict-related Sexual Violence"	USD 907 000
2016	Folke Bernadotte Academy, Sweden. "Female empowerment in the DR Congo".	USD 40 000
2014	Folke Bernadotte Academy, Sweden. "Transforming pain into power: A systematic study of a program for female empowerment in the DR Congo" (with Susanne Allden)	USD 40 000
2014-2016	Research Council of Norway (RCN) NORGLOBAL: "Female empowerment in Eastern DRC" (with Gudrun Østby)	USD 550 000
2013-	Research Council of Norway (RCN): "Sexual Violence and Armed Conflict."	USD 1 025 000
2012	Norwegian Ministry of Foreign Affairs: "Sexual Violence in Armed Conflict: Analyzing the Data"	USD 157 000
2011-2014	National Science Foundation (USA) (SES-1123964): "Gender-based violence and armed conflict" (with Dara Kay Cohen)	USD 245 000

2011	Peace Research Institute Oslo (PRIO): CIVICON – Civilian Dimensions of Peace and Conflict	USD 46 000
2010	Folke Bernadotte Academy (Sweden): "Sexual Exploitation and Abuse by Peacekeepers"	USD 26 000
2010	Folke Bernadotte Academy (Sweden): "Sexual Violence in Armed Conflict"	USD 36 000
2010	Norwegian Ministry of Foreign Affairs: "Sexual Violence in Armed Conflict (SVAC)" (with Inger Skjelsbæk)	USD 148 000
2010-2013	Norwegian Research Council: Personal Post-Doctoral grant "Inside insurgencies."	USD 377 000
2009	Norwegian Ministry of Foreign Affairs: "Mobilization and Modus Operandi of Rebel Groups" (with Scott Gates)	USD 142 000

NOTABLE DATA COLLECTIONS

Sexual Violence in Armed Conflict (SVAC) dataset (with Dara Kay Cohen and Rob Nagel)

Winner of the J. David Singer Award for Data Innovation (2023)

The Sexual Violence in Armed Conflict (SVAC) dataset measures reports of the conflict-related sexual violence committed by armed actors during the years 1989-2021. The armed actors include government forces, pro-government militias, and rebel groups between 1989-2009 (SVAC 1.0), and government forces and rebel groups for 2010-2015 (SVAC 2.1) and 2016-2021 (SVAC 3.2). The dataset includes information about the prevalence, perpetrators and forms of the reported sexual violence by each armed actor in each conflict-year. The information used to compile these data comes from three sources: the U.S. State Department, Amnesty International and Human Rights Watch. <u>http://www.sexualviolencedata.org</u>

The dataset is presented in:

- Cohen, Dara Kay, and **Ragnhild Nordås**. "Sexual violence in armed conflict: Introducing the SVAC dataset, 1989–2009." Journal of peace research 51.3 (2014): 418-428.
 - o Google scholar citations (January 3, 2024): 382

Related datasets:

- Bahgat, Karim; **Ragnhild Nordås** & Gudrun Østby (2016). Geocoded SVAC (Sexual Violence in Armed Conflict) Dataset (GEO- SVAC) version 1.0. Peace Research Institute Oslo (PRIO).
- Dumaine, Logan, **Ragnhild Nordås**, Maria Gargiulo, and Elisabeth Jean Wood. "Repertoires of conflict-related sexual violence: Introducing the RSVAC data package." Journal of Peace Research 59, no. 4 (2022): 611-621.
- Nordås, Ragnhild, and Siri CA Rustad. "Sexual exploitation and abuse by peacekeepers: Understanding variation." International Interactions 39.4 (2013): 511-534.

Surveys of Women in eastern DR Congo

- An original survey of 1,203 women in eastern DRC
- An original survey of 189 women in an empowerment program (City of Joy) in DRC

Used to investigate the effects for women from two support programmes that include both survivors of sexual and gender-based violence (SGBV) and others, and how a support program for survivors affected the women included over time.

The resulting articles were written in collaboration with researchers from the DRC.

- Amisi, Christine, Rosalie Biaba Apassa, Aline Cikara, Gudrun Østby, **Ragnhild Nordås**, Siri Aas Rustad, and John Quattrochi. "The impact of support programmes for survivors of sexual violence: micro-level evidence from eastern Democratic Republic of the Congo." Medicine, conflict and survival 34, no. 3 (2018): 201-223.
- Quattrochi, John, Rosalie Biaba, **Ragnhild Nordås**, Gudrun Østby, Susanne Alldén, Aline Cikara, Esther Namegabe, and Christina Amisi. "Effects of an empowerment program for survivors of sexual violence on attitudes and beliefs: evidence from the Democratic Republic of Congo." International journal for equity in health 18 (2019): 1-14.

National Youth Policies in Africa (NYP) (with Bintu Zahara Sakor and Carina Strøm)

Under review

Systematic data covering national youth policies in all 54 African states, from 1990 to 2022. The NYP Africa dataset conceptualizes a 'youth policy' as the most comprehensive overarching governmental framework that purposefully addresses youth-related issues in that country.

PAPERS PRESENTED AT CONFERENCES

- 2023 "National youth policies in Africa: A new dataset" (with Bintu Zahara Sakor). Paper presented to the Dividends workshop, June 7-9 African School of Economics, Benin.
- 2023 "Food prices and state repression" (with Ida Rudolfsen). International Studies Association annual meeting, ISA, WB08. March 15th 18th, 2023 | Montréal, Canada.
- 2023 "Variation in youth policies in Africa and their security implications" (with Bintu Zahara Sakor) International Studies Association annual meeting, ISA, WD06. March 15th - 18th, 2023 | Montréal, Canada.
- 2023 "Gendered perceptions of sexual violence: A survey experiment" " (with Anne-Kathrin Kreft, Ingrid Vik Bakken) MPSA Annual Conference, Chicago IL, April 15.
- 2023 "The consequences of sexualized repression: Public perceptions" " (with Anne-Kathrin Kreft, Ingrid Vik Bakken) Swiss Political Science Association annual congress. February 3.
- 2023 "Warfare and schooling: The impact of violations against children on educational dropout" (with Gudrun Østby, Siri Rustad, Roos Haer) Comparative and International Education Society (CIES) conference, Washington DC. February 21.
- 2022 "Warfare and schooling: The impact of violations against children on educational dropout" (with Gudrun Østby, Siri Rustad, Roos Haer). HiCN 2022 annual workshop, University of Warwick, November 18.
- 2022 "(Gendered) perceptions of sexual violence" (with Anne-Kathrin Kreft, Ingrid Vik Bakken) Peace Science Society International, annual meeting. Denver CO. October.
- 2022 "Gendered perceptions of sexual violence: A survey experiment". (with Anne-Kathrin Kreft, Ingrid Vik Bakken) GIGA Rp2, October 26.
- 2022 "Perceptions of repressive repertoires: A survey experiment". International Studies Association annual meeting, Nashville, TN.
- 2022 "Warfare and girls' education: The impact of conflict tactics on educational dropout" (with Gudrun Østby, Siri Rustad, Roos Haer) International Studies Association annual meeting, Nashville, TN. 1 April.

- 2022 "Food prices and repression" (with Ida rudolfsen) Conflict Research Society (CRS) Annual Conference. Belfast, September 7-9.
- 2019 "Sexual violations by states", International Studies Association annual meeting, ISA, Toronto, 3/30/2019.
- 2018 "Differences in degree or differences in kind: Re-conceptualizing state repression" (Poster) Peace Science Society International, annual meeting. University of Texas, Austin. October.
- 2016 "Militias and sexual violence in war" (with Dara Kay Cohen). Workshop presentation. Peace Science Society International, annual meeting. University of Notre Dame. October 20.
- 2016 "Transforming pain into power: A systematic study of a program for female empowerment in the DR Congo." Network of Peace Scientists (NEPS) conference, Milan, Italy, 20-22 June.
- 2016 "Religious Contention Today and Scenarios for the Future" (with Vegard Skirbekk, Marcin Stonawski, Michaela Potancokova). Population Association of America Annual Meeting, Washington D. 31 March.
- 2016 "Transforming pain into power": A systematic study of a program for female empowerment in the DR Congo. (with Gudrun Østby, Susanne Allden) International Studies Association annual meeting, ISA, Atlanta, GA.
- 2015 "QUEST: Coding Rwandan Narratives Of Sexual Violence", (with Priyamvada Trivedi) presented at APSA, 3–6 September.
- 2014 "Gunning for God? Religion and Conflict Severity" SB08. International Studies Association annual meeting, ISA Toronto, Canada.
- 2014 "Explaining civilian abuse by rebels in armed conflict" TA14. International Studies Association annual meeting, ISA Toronto, Canada.
- 2013 "Protectors of the people or pawns of the state? Sexual violence by African militias" (with Dara Kay Cohen) International Studies Association annual meeting, ISA San Francisco, CA.
- 2012 "Sexual violence in armed conflict: Insights from new data". (with Dara Kay Cohen) MA62. International Studies Association annual convention, San Diego, CA.
- 2012 "Raping alone? A disaggregated study of Sexual violence in Rwanda". (with christian davenport) MA62. International Studies Association annual convention, San Diego, CA.
- 2012 "Gender bias in publication output and scientific impact: An examination of acceptance rates and citations of articles in Journal of Peace Research" (with Gudrun Østby, Håvard Strand, Nils Petter Gleditsch). TB24. Paper presented at the International Studies Association annual convention, San Diego, CA.
- 2012 Workshop participant: "The repertoire of tactics". PX17. International Studies Association annual convention, San Diego, CA.

- 2011 "Religious Demography and Conflict: How Diversity Matters" Paper presented at the annual meeting of the International Studies Association Annual Conference, Montreal, Quebec, Canada, Mar 16.
- 2010 "Recruitment and Retention in Rebel Groups" (with Scott Gates) Paper presented to the APSA Annual Meeting. Washington DC, September 2-5.
- 2010 "For Faith or Fortune? Rebel Motivations and Modus Operandi". Paper presented to the International Studies Association annual convention, New Orleans, LA. 17–20 February.
- 2009 "IPCC and the Climate-Conflict Nexus" (with Nils Petter Gleditsch). Paper presented to the International Scientific Congress on Climate Change, Copenhagen, 10–12 March.
- 2009 "IPCC and the Climate-Conflict Nexus" (with Nils Petter Gleditsch). Paper presented to the International Studies Association annual convention, New York City, 15-18 February;
- 2009 "Dealing with Diversity: Religious State Repression and Civil Conflict" Paper presented at the annual American Political Science Association meeting, APSA, Toronto, Canada, 3–6 September.
- 2007 "Identity Polarization and Conflict: State Building in Cote d'Ivoire and Ghana", Paper Presented at the 6th Pan-European International Relations Conference, European Consortium for Political Research, Torino, Italy, 12–15 September.
- 2007 "Identity Polarization and Conflict: State Building in Cote d'Ivoire and Ghana", Presented at the conference Polarization and Conflict, Gaillac, France, 7–9 June.
- 2007 "Are Religious Conflicts Bloodier? Assessing the Impact of Religion on Civil Conflict Casualties." Paper presented at the 48th Annual Convention of the International Studies Association, Chicago, IL, 28 February–3 March.
- 2006 "Does Islam Breed Dissent?" (with Indra de Soysa). Paper presented to the international conference Global Communication of Fundamentalist Knowledge, Norwegian University of Science and Technology, Trondheim, Norway, 14–16 December.
- 2006 "Regional Inequalities and Disaggregated Civil Conflict in Africa" (with Gudrun Østby). Paper presented to the Polarization and Conflict Workshop, Fulbright Centre (UN Buffer Zone), Nicosia, Cyprus, 26–29 April.
- 2005 "The Future of Religious Values Impacts of Globalization and Intrastate Factors". Paper presented at the 3rd General Meeting of the European Consortium for Political Research, ECPR, 8–10 September.
- 2005 "Climate Conflict: Common Sense or Nonsense?" (with Nils Petter Gleditsch). Presented to the international workshop Human Security and Climate Change, Holmen Fjord Hotel, Asker, Norway, 21–23 June.
- 2005 "Religious Diversity and State Strategies: Impacts on Development and Conflict". Paper presented at the 46th Annual Convention of the International Studies Association, Honolulu, HI 1–5 March.

2004 "Regulating Religious Minorities: For Better or Worse?", Paper presented at the 45th Annual Convention of the International Studies Association, Montreal, Quebec, Canada, 17–20 March.

POPULAR DISSEMINATION/ GENERAL AUDIENCE

2022 Why Widespread Sexual Violence Is Likely In Ukraine. Political Violence at a Glance. April 6: <u>https://politicalviolenceataglance.org/2022/04/06/why-widespread-sexual-violence-is-likely-in-ukraine/</u>

2022 Ukrainian Women Engage in Resistance and Should Be in the Peace Talks: New Survey Evidence. Blog: <u>https://blogs.prio.org/2022/04/ukrainian-women-engage-in-resistance-and-should-be-in-the-peace-talks-new-survey-evidence/</u>

2021 Report Back Better. Foreign Policy. Robert Nagel and Ragnhild Nordås: <u>https://foreignpolicy.com/2021/05/07/human-rights-report-state-department-sexual-violence/</u>

2021 Protection of Education in Conflict Zones – a Step in the Right Direction, PRIO Blog, 5 November. Østby, Gudrun & Ragnhild Nordås: <u>https://www.prio.org/publications/12916</u>

2021 Children at Risk of Wartime Sexual Violence, 1990–2019, Conflict Trends, 1. Oslo: PRIO. February 2021. Nagel, Robert; Ragnhild Nordås; Gudrun Østby; Siri Aas Rustad & Andreas Forø Tollefsen: <u>https://www.prio.org/publications/12639</u>

2020 Twenty years after UNSCR 1325: Any progress ending wartime sexual violence? (with Dara Kay Cohen and Robert U. Nagel) Political Violence at a Glance, October 30. https://politicalviolenceataglance.org/2020/10/30/twenty-years-after-unscr-1325-any-progress-ending-wartime-sexual-violence/

2018 Why the Nobel Peace Prize went to 2 people fighting sexual violence in war. Washington Post, The Monkey Cage, October 8. (with Elisabeth Wood) <u>https://www.washingtonpost.com/news/monkey-cage/wp/2018/10/08/why-the-nobel-peace-prize-went-to-2-people-fighting-against-sexual-violence-in-war/?utm_term=.61d1633e664e</u>

2018 When Will We End Sexual Violence in Conflict? (with Nelly Lahoud) https://blogs.prio.org/2018/12/when-will-we-end-sexual-violence-in-conflict/

2018 Continued Failure to End Wartime Sexual Violence. PRIO Policy Brief. October 6. (With Robert Nagel). <u>https://www.prio.org/utility/DownloadFile.ashx?id=1655&type=publicationfile</u>

2016Social Inclusion of Survivors of Sexual Violence: How Do Support Programs Work?, PRIOPaper. Oslo: PRIO. December. (with Gudrun Østby; Siri Aas Rustad; Christine Amisi; Rosalie Biaba;JohnQuattrochi;SusanneAlldénAllineCikara)https://www.prio.org/Publications/Publication/?x=9286

In French: L'intégration sociale des Survivantes des violences sexuelles: Comment les programmes de soutien fonctionnent ? PRIO Paper. Oslo: PRIO.

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2016 "Suicide Bombing ≠ Religious Fervor" Blog post, Friday, 8 April 2016: http://blogs.prio.org/2016/04/suicide-bombing-%E2%89%A0-religious-fervor/

2015 "Governments Don't Outsource Atrocities to Militias. Here's What Really Happens" (with Jessica Stanton and Dara Kay Cohen). Washington Post, The Monkey Cage. <u>https://www.washingtonpost.com/news/monkey-cage/wp/2015/12/22/governments-dont-outsource-atrocities-to-militias-heres-what-really-happens/</u>

2015 "Civilian targeting by militias: The important role of states". PRIO Conflict trends Policy Brief 12/2015.

2015 "The Time Has Come for Dr. Denis Mukwege to Win the Nobel Peace Prize" (with Gudrun Østby) Blog post: <u>http://blogs.prio.org/2015/10/the-time-has-come-for-dr-denis-mukwege-to-win-the-nobel-peace-prize/</u>

2014 "Four things everyone should know about wartime sexual violence" Washington Post. June 9. <u>http://www.washingtonpost.com/blogs/monkey-cage/wp/2014/06/09/four-things-everyone-should-know-about-wartime-sexual-violence/</u> (with Dara Kay Cohen and Elisabeth Wood)

2013 "Preventing Conflict-related Sexual Violence". PRIO Policy Brief 2/2013: <u>http://file.prio.no/publication_files/prio/Nordas-Preventing-Conflict-related-Sexual-Violence-PRIO-Policy-Brief-02-2013.pdf</u>

2012 "Sexual Violence on the Decline? Recent debates and evidence suggests 'unlikely'". CSCW Policy Brief 3/2012: <u>http://file.prio.no/publication_files/cscw/Nordas-Sexual-Violence-on-the-decline-CSCW-Policy-Brief-03-2012.pdf</u> 2012 "Sexual Violence in African Conflicts, 1989-2009: What the data show". CSCW Policy Brief 2/2012: <u>http://file.prio.no/publication_files/cscw/Nordas-Cohen-Sexual-Violence-in-African-</u> <u>Conflicts-1989-2009-CSCW-Policy-Brief-02-2012.pdf</u> (with Dara Kay Cohen)

2012 "Sexual Violence by Militias in African Conflicts: Not a question of 'delegation' by states". CSCW Policy Brief 1/2012: <u>http://file.prio.no/publication_files/cscw/Nordas-Cohen-Sexual-</u><u>Violence-Militias-African-Conflicts-CSCW-Policy-Brief-01-2012.pdf</u>

2011 Sexual Violence in African Conflicts. CSCW Policy Brief no. 1-2011. PRIO: Oslo <u>http://www.prio.no/sptrans/-1653928576/SVAC-CSCW-Policy-Brief-01-2011.pdf</u>

INVITED TALKS: RESEARCHERS/STUDENTS

2023	Harvard University: "Children Affected by Armed Conflict", Invited speaker for the 2022-2023 cohort of Child Protection Certificate candidates (online)
2022	Norwegian University of Science and Technology NTNU: "Preemptive state repression and international food prices" Spring
2022	University of Michigan: "State feminism" Guest lecture in Undergraduate course, Scandinavian civilization. Fall 2022.
2021	PRIO: "Public perceptions of sexualized repression" Fall, 2021
2021	University of Pennsylvania: "Gendered backlash: Sexualized repression and women's protest". April 23.
2021	Columbia University: "Gendered backlash: Sexualized repression and women's protest" Columbia University International Politics Seminar (CUIPS), April 22.
2019	UCLA: "Differences in degree or differences in kind? Re-conceptualizing state repression" IR seminar. April
2019	University of Michigan: "Researching wartime sexual violence". Invited expert, Michigan Research and Discovery Scholars' seminar. January.
2018	Michigan State University: "Differences in degree or differences in kind? Re- conceptualizing state repression" October 19.
2016	Oxford University: "Sexual violence, social exclusion, and the impact of support programs: Micro-level evidence from Eastern DRC", May 27.
2016	University of Michigan: "Sexual violence and international security", Invited lecture, International Institute. 4 February.
2016	University of Michigan: "Understanding patterns of conflict-related sexual violence", Department of Political Science, Ann Arbor. 2 February.

2014	University of Konstanz, Germany: "Sexual Violence and War" 14 November.
2014	Universite Evanguelique en Afrique, Bukavu, DR Congo: "Climate change and conflict". Invited lecture,. 6 June.
2011	Greifswald University, Germany: "Sexual Violence in Armed Conflict: A new data collection". 19 Oct.
2011	Uppsala University, Sweden: "Sexual Violence in Armed Conflict: Presenting a new data collection" October 6.
2011	Arizona State University: "Sexual Violence in Armed Conflict" Tempe, AZ. Sept. 6.
2010	University of Notre Dame: "Religion and Intrastate Armed Conflict" Kroc Institute. 2 Dec.
2010	Harvard Kennedy School: "Beliefs & Bloodshed: Understanding Religion and Intrastate Conflict" International Security Program, Belfer Center, Cambridge, MA. 12 April.
2010	Harvard Kennedy School: "Inside Insurgencies: Motives, Mobilization, and Prospects for Peace". Intrastate Conflict Project, Belfer Center, Cambridge MA. 5 February.
2009	University of Iowa: "Death by Diversity? Religious State Repression and Rebellion". Journeys in World Politics workshop. 17 October.
2009	Harvard Kennedy School: "Dealing with Diversity: Religious Repression and Civil War". Invited talk. Intrastate Conflict Project, Belfer Center, Cambridge MA. 21 April.
2009	University of Copenhagen, Denmark: "Climate Change and Conflict: What do we know?" Key note speech. Climate/Security conference, Centre for Advanced Security Theory (CAST), 9 March.
2009	"IPCC and the Climate-Conflict Nexus", the International Scientific Congress on Climate Change, Copenhagen, 10–12 March.
2008	Harvard Kennedy School: "Killing Cleavages? The Politics of Religious Diversity and Armed Conflict". International Security Program, Belfer Center, Cambridge, MA. 11 December.
2007	Graduate Institute of International Studies: "Religion and Peace". Geneva, Switzerland, 5 June.
2006	University of Oslo, Norway: "Religion and Conflict". Invited lecture, International Summer School.
2005	Norwegian University of Science and Technology NTNU: "Ethnic and religious conflict". Invited lecture, Causes of War class.

INVITED TALKS: POLICY/PRACTITIONERS

2023	Invited expert, The Missing Peace Global Symposium on Conflict-related Sexual Violence, November 1-3 Washington DC
2023	Invited expert, "Data and Evidence on Conflict-related Sexual Violence," Atrocity Prevention Learning Group, U.S. State Department, February 13 (online).
2022	Invited expert, Briefing for the US State Department: Sexual violence in Ukraine, INR AO WebEx Virtual Analytic Exchange, US State Department, Online, 8/30/2022.
2022	Invited panelist, Panel discussion organized by the he Tigray Youth Network (TYN) on weaponization of sexual violence in Ethiopia. Tuesday 22nd of November (online)
2022	Invited expert, Briefing for the US State Department: Sexual violence in Ukraine, INR AO WebEx Virtual Analytic Exchange, US State Department, Online, 8/30/2022.
2022	Expert commentator, NRK television program URIX on Sexual violence in Ukraine.
2022	Expert commentator, Sexual violence in Ukraine. NRK radio program Dagsnytt 18. https://radio.nrk.no/serie/dagsnytt-atten/sesong/202204/NMAG03007022
2022	Invited panelist, Research briefing to the UN Special Representative of the Secretary-General on Sexual Violence in Conflict, Missing Peace Initiative, U.S. Institute of Peace, Washington, D.C., July 29 (online).
2022	Invited expert, Process to inform the official UN Framework for prevention of sexual violence in war, by the UN special representative on sexual violence. Preventing sexual violence: What we know, UN Framework on the Prevention of CRSV: Scholars' roundtable, Washington University, Online, 4/8/2022.
2018	Invited expert, "Peace" The Nobel Symposium. University of Michigan, the Center for the Study of Complex Systems. December.
2018	Invited expert, "Toward documenting variation in rape, sexual violence and SEA: Challenges, opportunities– and why we should care". US AID Workshop, Washington DC. October.
2018	Invited panelist, "Sexual violence". Invited talk at the Measuring Violence Against Women in Elections workshop at Emory University and The Carter Center on February 26 and 27.
2018	"States' use of sexual violence outside war". Folke Bernadotte Academy UNSCR 1325 meeting, Oslo, January.

2016	"Sexual violence and armed conflict", Seminar on internationals conflicts and peace-keeping efforts in a Norwegian/Swedish perspective, Norwegian Embassy, Stockholm. 30-31 May.
2016	"Sexual violence in war and transitions". Briefing for the U.S. Nordic Security Dialogue, Norwegian Foreign Ministry, May 24.
2016	"Stopping Rape in Eastern Congo: Does Celebrity Activism Work?" Human Rights Human Wrongs film festival, Oslo, 16 February.
2012	"Mitigating the Consequences of Violent Conflict: What Works and What Does Not?: Sexual Violence". International Peace Institute (IPI), International Expert Forum. New York. 6 June.
2012	"Conflict-related sexual violence and HIV: Status of knowledge and research needs", SSRC Scientific Research Planning Meeting on Sexual Violence and HIV Transmission. Greentree foundation estate, Manhasset, NY. 6 March.
2011	"Sexual violence in armed conflict: Challenges and opportunities." Norwegian Ministry of Foreign Affairs. February.

TEACHING

University of Michigan

Sexual Violence and War

POLSCI 401 (Seminar, Upper-Level Writing Requirement)		(Winter 2020)	
POLSCI 389/INTSTD 385 (Lecture, Student Cap 50)		(Winter 2018, 2019)	
Political Terror: State repression of human rights			
POLSCI 389/INTSTD 385 (Large Lecture) (Winter 2023)			
POLSCI 389/INTSTD 385 (Medium Lecture)		(Winter 2020)	
POLSCI 401 (Advanced Seminar)		(Winter 2019)	
Writing your Prospectus			
POLSCI 994	(Graduate Seminar)	(Fall 2023)	

Civilians in Conflict

POLSCI 688(Graduate Seminar)(Fall 2019, Fall 2022)Sexual and Gender-Based ViolencePOLSCI 688(Graduate Seminar)(Fall 2018)

Courses offered at other institutions

2015	Religion, Conflict, and Violence.
	Doctoral course. Research School on Peace and Conflict, PRIO. Norwegian National Research School.
2015	Social Science Research Design and Dissemination.
	Capacity building, intensive course. ICART research center, Bukavu, DR Congo
2014	Social Science and Peace Research.
	Capacity building, intensive course. ICART, Bukavu, DR Congo
2014	Research project development & Academic writing.

Capacity building, intensive course. ICART, Bukavu, DR Congo

STUDENT ADVISING AND MENTORSHIP

Current doctoral students (5)

- Rebecca Savelsberg (Committee chair, University of Michigan)
- Bintu Zahara Sakor (Committee co-chair, University of Oslo, NORWAY)
- Esmeralda Lopez (Committee chair, University of Michigan)
- Rebecca Rose (Committee member, University of Michigan)
- Sarah Ku (First year mentor, University of Michigan)

Former doctoral students (4)

- Corina Simonelli (University of Michigan 2021) position at US State Department
 Committee co-chair
- Ingrid Vik Bakken (NTNU 2021) postdoc at University Duisburg-Essen, Germany.
 - o Committee co-chair
- Elisabeth Lio Rosvold (NTNU/PRIO 2019) Associate Professor of Political Science, NTNU
 Committee co-chair
- Mahlet Atakilt Woldetsadik (Pardee RAND Graduate School 2016)
 - o Poistion at Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation in Seattle, Washington

MA Students

- Ingebjørg Finnbakk, 2016
 - o University of Oslo
- Alisa Mujanic, 2016
 - o University of Oslo

PhD Prelim examination committee member

- Jessica Lucas (IR/World)
- Kate Knapp (IR/World)
- Fabricio Vasselai (Theory)
- Erin Cikanek (Methods)
- Corina Simonelli (IR/World)
- Rebecca Savelsberg (IR/World)

PhD Defense committee (external member)

- Karin Johansson, PhD in Political Science, Uppsala University, Sweden.
- Lasse Lykke Rørbæk, PhD in Political Science, University of Aarhus, Denmark.

Honors students (University of Michigan)

- Rasmi Davu
- Camille Cummings
- Michelle Nguyen
- Megan Rossiter
- Laurel Comiter (defense committee)
- Sydney Smith (Women's and Gender Studies)

Undergraduate Research Opportunity (UROP) students (University of Michigan):

- Alexandra Lubczuk
- Elise Rometsch

SERVICE

Service to the profession

- Workshop participant, "Alternative Governance and Climate Change". Peace Science Society. The 57th North American Annual Meeting, November 9-11, 2023. St. Louis, Missouri.
- Panel Discussant, MPSA panel on "Sexual Violence, Female Participation, and Conflict." Chicago, IL. April
- Councilor 2019-2022, International Studies Association, Scientific Studies of International Processes (SSIP) section.
- Section Program Chair, International Studies Association, Annual Meeting 2019 Scientific Studies of International Processes (SSIP)
- Pay it Forward Workshop: Women Helping Women.
 - o ISA Annual Meeting, San Francisco, CA 2018
 - o ISA Annual Meeting, New Orleans, LA. 2015
- Section Program Chair, Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA), International Conflict Processes, 2020
- Award committee member: Lewis Fry Richardson Lifetime Achievement Award (2016-2019)
- 2016 Workshop participant, "A Medley of Militias". Peace Science Society Annual Meeting.
- Panel Chair: SA13 "Accountability, Transparency and Human Rights Violations" International Studies Association annual meeting, ISA 2016, Atlanta, GA.
- Panel Discussant: WD02 "Environment and conflict 3/3" International Studies Association annual meeting, ISA 2016, Atlanta, GA.
- Panel Chair: SD02 "Human rights and peace: Does keeping the peace help rights?" International Studies Association annual meeting, ISA 2016, Atlanta, GA.

- Panel Discussant: SD02 "Human rights and peace: Does keeping the peace help rights?" International Studies Association annual meeting, ISA 2016, Atlanta, GA.
- Poster Panel Discussant, FE 98: PDG Poster Panel Session. International Studies Association annual meeting, ISA 2014, Toronto.
- Roundtable participant, WB 59: "Systematic Empirics on Gender in the Study of International Interventions", the International Studies Association annual meeting 2013, ISA San Francisco, CA.
- Co-Initiator of the MINDfields project (with Christian Davenport, Jacqueline DeMeritt, Will Moore, and Ernesto Verdeja): Webpage: <u>http://mindfields.weebly.com/</u>
- Special Issue Editor, Political Geography 2007 26(6): Climate Change and Conflict (with Nils Petter Gleditsch)
- Editorial committee member: Journal of Peace Research (2006–2011)

Workshops organized

- *Demographic dividends in Africa (DIVIDENDS) workshop.* African School of Economics (with Henrik Urdal, Bintu Zahara Sakor, Ian Heffernan) Benin, 7-9 June 2023.
- Female Empowerment in eastern DR Congo. (with Gudrun Østby, Susanne Allden) Workshop, Bukavu DRC, December 2016
- Sexual violence and armed conflict: New research frontiers. Harvard Kennedy School, September 2-4, 2014. (with Dara Cohen)
- *Human Security and Climate Change*. Holmen Fjord Hotel, Asker, Norway, 21–23 June 2005. (with Nils Petter Gleditsch)

Service to the University of Michigan

- Austin Chair, Search Committee (2023-24)
- Austin Chair search Ad-hoc subfield committee (2023-24)
- Faculty Sponsor: Graduate Student Writing group (w/Laura Comini) (2024-)
- Faculty Sponsor: Interdisciplinary Workshop on Gender and Politics, IGAP, (2023-)
- Executive Committee member, Political Science Department, (2022/2023)
- Emerging Scholars Committee (member) (2020)
- Graduate Admissions Committee (2019-2020)
- Regional Grad Student Conference Committee (member) (2018-2020)

- Department Climate Liaison (2019-2020)
- Undergraduate Affairs Committee (member) (2018-2019)
- Rubin Speaker Series Committee (member) (2018-2019)
- Co-director: Conflict & Peace Research & Development workshop, CPRD (2017-)

Service to the Peace Research Institute Oslo (PRIO)

- PRIO Board member (2015-2016)
- Coordinator of research group "Non-State Actors in Conflict" (2012-2013)
- Coordinator of research group "Civilians in Conflict" (2012-2016)

Reviewer

Journals:

 African Identities, American Journal of Political Science, American Political Science Review, British Journal of Political Science, Comparative Political Studies, Comparative Social Research, Conflict Management and Peace Science, Feminist Economics, International Feminist Journal of Politics, International Organizations, International Peacekeeping Journal, International Political Science Review, International Security, International Studies Quarterly, Journal of Peace Research, Journal of Politics, Journal of Conflict Resolution, Journal of Global Security Studies, Political Geography, Political Studies, Politics & Gender, Politics and Religion, Research and Politics, Social Politics, Terrorism and Political Violence.

Other:

• Cambridge University Press, Canadian Research Council, National Science Foundation USA, Swiss Research Council, United States Institute of Peace.

Member of professional organizations

- Peace Science Society International (PSSI)
- International Studies Association (ISA)
- American Political Science Association (APSA)
- Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA)

- The European Consortium for Political Research (ECPR)
- Network of European Peace Scientists (NEPS)

LANGUAGES/SKILLS

- Norwegian (native), English (fluent), French (intermediate)
- Stata, SPSS, Excel, R (basic), Arc GIS (basic)

BIO STATEMENT

Ragnhild Nordas (Nordaas) is an Assistant Professor of political science at the University of Michigan studying the causes, dynamics, and consequences of political conflict and violence -particularly civil war and state repression. She has published 22 peer-reviewed journal articles, 7 book chapters, and a series of other publications, policy briefs and reports. Her work has appeared in leading academic journals, including i.a. the American Journal of Political Science, Annual Review of Political Science, Journal of Conflict Resolution, International Studies Quarterly, and Journal of Peace Research, generating more than 3,000 citations in Google Scholar. In recent years, her work has centered on conflict-related sexual violence. She is the co-Director of the Sexual Violence in Armed Conflict (SVAC) data which is the recipient of the J. David Singer Award for Data Innovation. In addition to scholarly impact, Dr. Nordås also communicates research findings to a wider audience and consults with policy makers and practitioners such as the US State Department, the United Nations, the Norwegian Ministry of Foreign affairs, Save the Children, and USAID. Her current book project seeks to explain why states commit sexual violence, seeking to understand variation in sexual violence by state actors- focusing also on situations outside of war, such as sexual violence used as repressive tactics.

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