

Program for RDV-seminars

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The seminar is a collaboration between [DIPA](#) (UiB), [LawTransform](#) (UiB) and the [RDV](#) Research Group at Welfare at Western Norway University of Applied Sciences.

Date	Time	Presenter and title
Thursday January 13	14:15-15:30	Canceled due to illness
Thursday January 27	14:15-15:30	Ola Innsetⁱ <i>From macro to micro – ideology and reality in Norway's market turn</i> Moderator: Arnhild Melve (HVL)
Thursday February 10	14:15-15:30	Tarja Pösöⁱⁱ <i>Children's consent to welfare services</i> Moderator: Barbara (DIPA)
Thursday February 24	14:15-15:30	Catarina Barbieriⁱⁱⁱ <i>The rules of the game: regulations, practices and women's participation in Brazilian politics</i> Moderator: Mathea (DIPA/Lawtransform)
Thursday March 10	14:15-15:30	Canceled due to illness
Thursday March 24	14:15-15:30	Mikael Rask Madsen^{iv} <i>Southernism, Populism and the Transformation of the European Court of Human Rights</i> Moderator: Hege (DIPA)
Thursday April 7	09:15-10:30 Please note the time.	Jostein Askim^v <i>Between meritocracy and politicization? A study of the professional expertise of agency heads with and without a party-political background, 1980-2020</i> Moderator: Irene Aase-Kvåle (HVL)
Thursday April 28	14:15-15:30	Solstrandseminar
Thursday May 12	14:15-15:30	Sheila Ramaswamy Moderator: TBA (DIPA)
Thursday June 9	14:15-15:30	Staffan Höjer^{vi} <i>High workloads and street level bureaucracy</i> Moderator: TBA (HVL)

Minor adjustments to the program may occur.

ⁱ **Ola Innset** is a Postdoctoral Fellow at the Department of Law and Governance at BI Norwegian Business School. His research interests lie at the intersections between political economy, intellectual history and economic- and political history. Innset did his PhD in History and Civilisation at the European University Institute from 2013 to 2017, with a thesis in intellectual micro-history on early neoliberalism. The thesis won the History of Economics Society annual dissertation prize and was published as the book *Reinventing Liberalism: The Politics, Philosophy and Economics of Early Neoliberalism (1920 - 1947)* in 2020. He has also written and published a monograph in Norwegian on the history of market reforms in Norway, also published in 2020.
https://www.bi.edu/about-bi/employees/departments-of-law2/ola-morris-innset/?_ga=2.84640089.1383336497.1640088926-1487682103.1640088926

ⁱⁱ **Tarja Pösö** holds a position as Professor at the Faculty of Social Sciences (Tampere University, Finland) and is a professor II at the Department of Administration and Organization Theory (University of

Bergen). Pösö has extensive experience in the studies of child protection, social work and institutional practices, with a keen interest in cross-cultural perspectives and developing methods and ethics for child protection studies. Her particular research interests are: 1) How social workers navigate among different sources of information and interest when making decisions and assessing the outcome of their decisions in child protection, 2) How the child welfare systems perceive and act with migrant children, 3) How the principle of ‘the child’s best interest’ is included in the decision-making process.

<https://discretion.uib.no/people/staff/tarja-poso-2/>

iii **Catarina Barbieri** is a Researcher in Gender and Law and holds a PhD (2012) from the University of São Paulo Law School (Brazil). She was a Fox International Fellow at Yale University in 2010-2011 and visiting Doctoral Student at the University of Toronto, Faculty of Law, in 2011. Barbieri is the editor-in-chief of the online academic journal of São Paulo Law School, *Direito GV Law Review*. Her research interests include philosophy of law, political philosophy, jurisprudence, private law, feminism, and gender studies. <https://direitosp.fgv.br/en/pesquisador/catarina-helena-cortada-barbieri>

iv **Mikael Rask Madsen** is the Head of the Centre of Excellence for International Courts (iCourts, University of Copenhagen) and Professor at the Faculty of Law. He holds a PhD in Sociology of Law from École des Hautes Études en Sciences Sociales in Paris, and has significant teaching experience from having studied and researched at a number of other leading universities, including Oxford University, the University of California at Berkeley, and the University of Strasbourg. Madsen’s research is focused on globalization and the role of legal institutions and professionals in these processes, including: 1) International courts and their evolutions and challenges, 2) The role of legal elites in the globalization, 3) The development of the legal profession, and 4) Legal knowledge and power. He was awarded the Carlsberg Research Prize in 2019, from the Royal Danish Academy of Sciences and Letters, and the Elite Researcher Prize in 2017, from the Danish Council for Independent Research.

[https://jura.ku.dk/english/staff/research/?pure=en%2Fpersons%2Fmikael-rask-madsen\(5a3e0ceb-fe1a-4030-be3b-1dad882d55f8\).html](https://jura.ku.dk/english/staff/research/?pure=en%2Fpersons%2Fmikael-rask-madsen(5a3e0ceb-fe1a-4030-be3b-1dad882d55f8).html)

v **Jostein Askim** holds the position as Professor at the Department of Political Science (University of Oslo), where he also finished his PhD degree in 2007. His academic interests include performance management, administrative reforms, local government, and political leadership and political-administrative relations. In addition, Askim is part of the research group ‘Policy, Bureaucracy, and Organization’, which studies the impact of bureaucrats, government organizations, and political-administrative relationships on the formulation and implementation of public policies.

<https://www.sv.uio.no/isv/english/people/aca/josteira/index.html>

vi **Staffan Höjer** is a Senior Researcher at the Department of Social Work (University of Gothenburg, Sweden). Höjer’s PhD from year 2000 was titled “Knowledge, academization and professionalisation in social work”. Since then, he has continued with research evolving around topics related to knowledge, organisation, and profession. One of the projects Höjer has been affiliated with, *Improving Decisions through Empowerment and Advocacy (IDEA)*, is a five-country training project for child protection professionals on children’s rights funded by the European Commission Directorate-General for Justice and Consumers. Staffan Höjer has teaching experience at all university levels and has been a guest researcher at Berkley (UCLA), University of Texas (Arlington), New York University, and the University of York (Social Policy Research Unit). <https://www.gu.se/en/about/find-staff/staffanhojer>