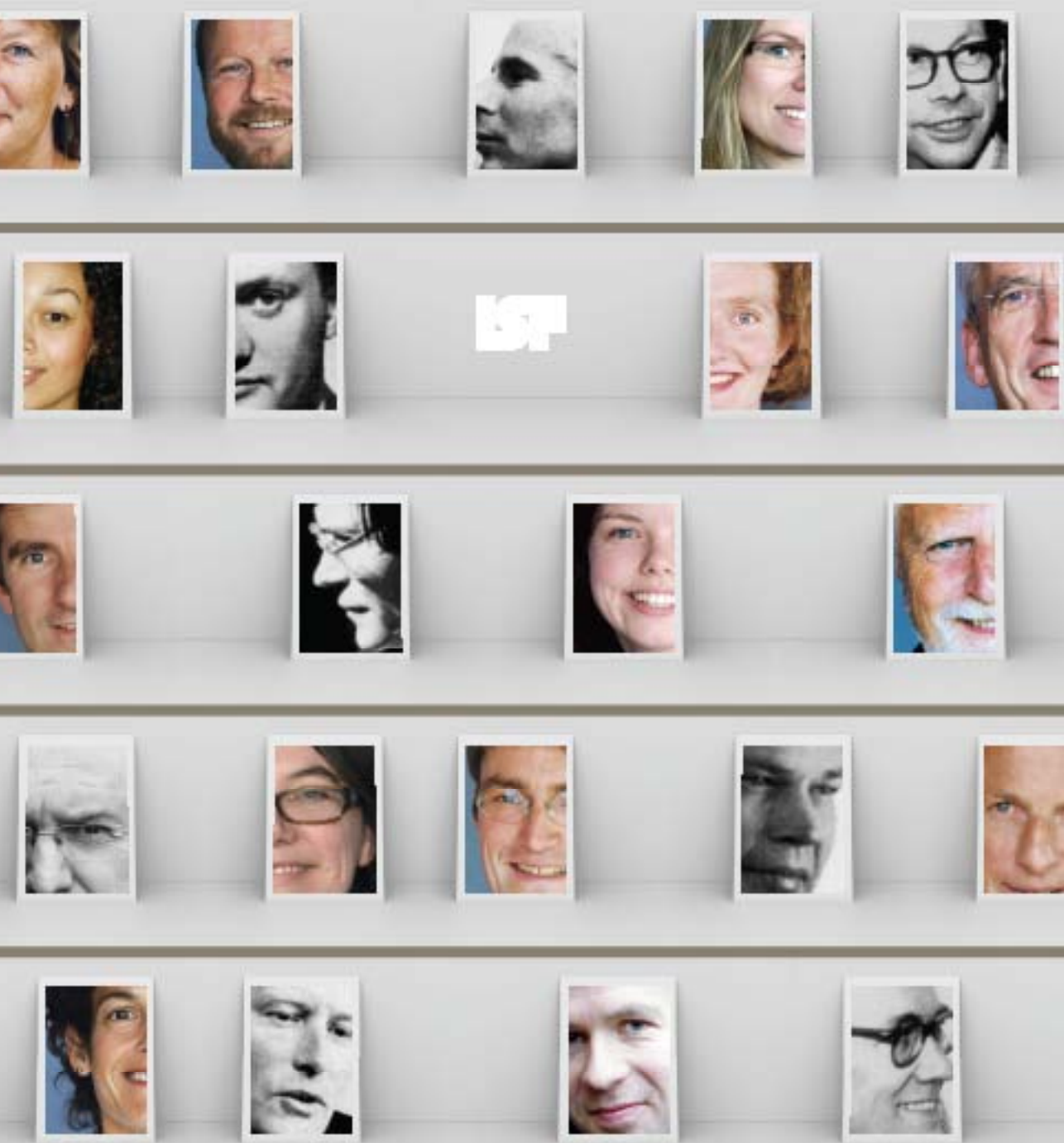
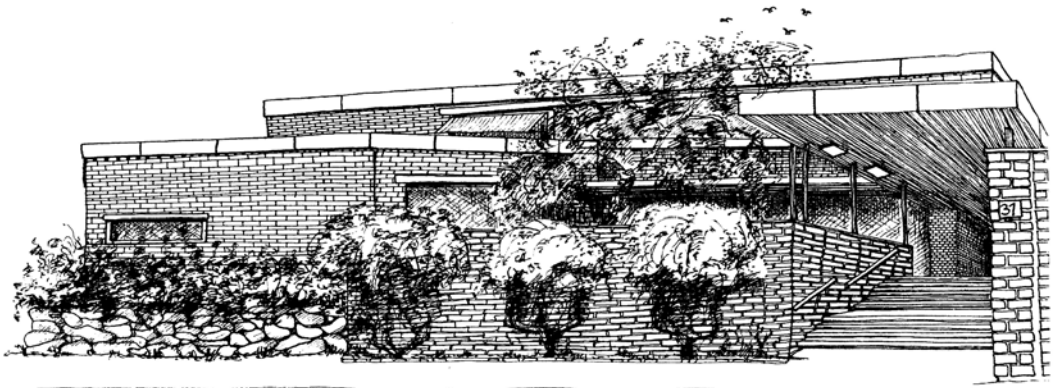




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INSTITUTE FOR SOCIAL RESEARCH

The Institute for Social Research (ISF) is an independent foundation whose primary objectives are:

- To promote the study and understanding of social structures and social change,
- to develop practical and theoretical methodologies in the study of social conditions,
- and to encourage the development of professional skills.

Ever since its foundation in 1950, the institute has been multidisciplinary in its orientation. The institute pursues research not only in all branches of the social sciences. ISF is currently one of the few social science environments outside the universities not limited to the study of a particular segment of society. For further informa-

tion see

www.socialresearch.no

The institute's history and current position in social research bear witness to its long-standing desire to avoid drawing a sharp distinction between basic and applied research. Both types of research are pursued in the same environment. The Institute also collaborates with the University of Oslo on research projects and post-graduate education.

In recent years much emphasis has been placed on establishing contact with ministries and unions, with a view to communicating research findings and identifying research needs. This type of contact is time-consuming, but it is encouraging to experience a growing understanding of what social research can contribute with, as well as its limitations.

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Director's introduction

INSTITUTE FOR SOCIAL RESEARCH – A MEETING POINT FOR BASIC RESEARCH AND APPLIED RESEARCH FOR 60 YEARS

In 2010 Institute for social research celebrated its 60th anniversary – a dynamic institute with a proud history. The Institute, founded 9 February, 1950, grew out of the circle that had formed around Arne Næss, Erik Rinde and Stein Rokkan. The immediate aftermath of the Second World War found these scholars working to get social science accepted as a university discipline. They recognised a need for new ways of addressing and untangling contemporary social issues.

One of the Institute's overarching objectives has always been to provide a meeting point for basic research and applied research. The topics covered by the Institute projects represent social and political challenges. There is an intrinsic duty here, to be alert to tendencies in society, both those addressed in the public debate and those that seldom catch the eye of the media

or the ear of the politicians. In order for research to be sound, reliable, original and independent, it has to be grounded in academic quality. The demand for relevance is not a legitimate argument for compromising on scientific standards of basic research.

Acting as a meeting point for basic research and applied research has always been an ambitious and, indeed, demanding goal. Changes in the Institute's regulatory and economic environment serve to accentuate these challenges. Increased competition among research institutes for long-term research projects is a consequence of the university sector being urged to seek external research funding. If the institutes are left with the short-term research commissions, scholarship and the academic foundation will likely suffer. At the same time, the intensifying competition with the consulting industry is also likely to promote a more instrumental and user-controlled mode of research.

These challenges notwithstanding, 2009 was a good year. We were granted several large-scale Research Council projects, providing an opportunity for long-term studies and competence building. At the same time, we have taken on and delivered components of more limited projects which benefit from and consolidate existing expertise at the Institute.

Good project acquisition has once again allowed us to engage new personnel in the form of both research fellows and experienced researchers. The Institute works well with the university sector as well as with other research institutes. Collaboration with universities ensures good relations with basic research establishments and a platform for teaching and presenting our research to students and researchers outside the Institute, whereas working with other research institutes both broadens and strengthens the Institute's scientific interests and expertise.

Ann-Helén Bay, Insitute Director



SCIENTIFIC STAFF AND BOARD

SCIENTIFIC STAFF

Staff input amounted to 52 person-years in 2009, with 38 from the scientific staff.

Research is divided into three areas

- Work and welfare [ARV]
- Equality, inclusion, international migration [LIM]
- Politics, democracy, civil society

There were in total 64 ongoing projects in these areas in 2009.

Scientific staff by discipline

Sociology	17
Political science	8
Economics	8
Social anthropology	4
Human geography	1
Communications	1
Total	38

Researchers by competence

Research professor	10
Senior researcher	17
Research fellow	9
Research assistant	3
Total	39

THE BOARD

Appointed by the Norwegian

Research Council:

Secretary General Anne Kari Lande Hasle
Consultant Laila Stange (deputy member)

Appointed by the University of Oslo:

Professor Aanund Hylland (vice-chairman)
Professor Helge Pharo (deputy member)
Professor Dag Album
Professor Signe Howell (deputy member)

*Appointed by the board at the Institute
for Social Research:*

Professor Eivind Smith (chairman)
Senior advisor Marit Wårum (deputy member)
Advisor Terje Hauger
Political advisor Marianne Seip (deputy member)

*Appointed by the staff at the Institute
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Researcher Inés Hardoy
Researcher Karl Henrik Sivesind (deputy member)
Researcher Aagot Storvik
Researcher Jan-Paul Brekke (deputy member)

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF

Library

The library primarily serves the Institute for Social Research and Norwegian Social Research (NOVA). It has a collection of nearly 50 000 books, research reports, statistical publications, Norwegian parliamentary publications etc. Its bibliographical database is accessible via the Internet. The library also subscribes to approximately 290 Nordic and international journals and enjoys access to the most important bibliographical databases in the social sciences. Head librarian: Jon Haakon Hustad.

Information

The information department coordinates publication activities, liaises with the press and maintains the Institute's web pages. It organizes the practical side of lectures and seminars and performs editorial and secretarial services for selected journals and organizations. Head of information: Jørgen Moland.

IT department

The IT department handles all aspects of IT resources at ISF, NOVA and National Centre for Documentation on Disability. The most important tasks are maintaining the operation of the local net, simple database and spreadsheet programme development, and individual support on office programmes and statistics. IT manager: Vegard Kleiven.

Project and administration department

The project and administration department keeps the Institute's accounts and handles project administration. It is also responsible for mail services, reception and address databases. Office manager: Grete Svensen.

Cafeteria

The Institute cafeteria serves the Institute for Social Research, NOVA and The National Centre for Documentation on Disability. Cafeteria manager: Wenche Skistad.



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WORK AND WELFARE [ARV]

Research here seeks to improve our understanding of employee behaviour, firms' adaptive arrangements, the workings of the labour market and how paid work distributes advantages and disadvantages. An inclusive working life depends on economic incentives that encourage people to work and on employers earning money from taking them on. To explain the high level of working age in Norway live primarily on social security benefits we need to learn about social security arrangements, their implementation and effects.

Understanding these matters is of general interest and a means of understanding social change. It is also of great significance as a basis for decision making in politics, industry and working life. Research-based knowledge is important for enabling the formulation of objectives and for selecting the best instruments. Research results are made more widely known by publishing in national and international journals and the Institute's own report series, but also through presentations at seminars and lectures.

Among current research themes we can mention wage setting and wage distribution along with participation in paid work, unemployment, mobility in internal and external labour markets and evaluation of labour market policy instruments. Information required for the empirical research is sourced from many places, both national and international.

For certain studies we collect information of a qualitative nature, but also draw on official statistics on countries, industries and occupational groups. Most of the research and nearly all of the analyses are, however, based on information about individuals and firms obtained by surveys or held in administrative registers.

2009 IN BRIEF

The Work and Welfare Research Group (ARV) was granted several large-scale Research Council (NFR) projects in 2009. They include studies of public policy and different households' connections with the labour market. Another project will look at the interplay between the education system and the labour market. ARV is also heavily involved in a comprehensive NFR project, "Trygd i kontekst – Rettferdighet, Effektivitet, Fordeling (TREff – Social Security in Context. Fairness, Efficiency and Redistribution)", a multidisciplinary project aimed at studying different aspects of social inclusion and the benefit system in Norway. Several other research projects are financed by policy makers, including the Ministry of Labour and Ministry of Children, Equality, and Social Inclusion.

One important topic in the ongoing work relates to the determinants and effects of sickness absence. Under an NFR-funded project led by Harald Dale-Olsen, these issues are analyzed with a special focus on the role of the workplace in explaining sickness absence. Another important task was to finalise two comprehensive NFR projects: one on the impact of immigration on the labour market. This project, led by Marianne Røed, studied the impact of immigration on the labour market of the native population and labour market integration of immigrants. The second finalised project was another significant NFR project analysing policies on integration of immigrants in the labour market.

Important themes in the years to come for the ARV group will be sickness absence, education, household behaviour, and social inclusion of different groups.

PROJECTS

- Public policy and the labour market attachment of different households
- Friends or foes? Understanding the role of firms and workplaces for worker health
- Management wages and pay for other high wage workers
- A viable welfare state. Equality and stability
- Changing work – the impact of reorganisation and reallocation on establishment performance and well-being
- The impact of immigration on employment and wages of Norwegian workers
- Labour market integration of non-western immigrants – identifying policies that work
- Does immigration grease the wheels of the labour market?
- The Norwegian bargaining model in an equal pay perspective
- Strategic institute programme on ownership: Challenges to the role of owner in a modern economy

STAFF

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Inés Hardoy

Marte Kari Huse

Kjersti Misje Nilsen

Marianne Røed

Aagoth Elise Storvik

Kristine von Simson



Back row (from left): Erling Barth (Research Director, on leave), Pål Schøne (acting Research Director), Trygve Gulbrandsen, Bjørn Dapi and Harald Dale-Olsen. Front row: Inés Hardoy, Marianne Røed, Kjersti Misje Nilsen, Marte Kari Huse and Kristine von Simson

EQUALITY, INCLUSION, INTERNATIONAL MIGRATION [LIM]

The LIM group's three main research areas are 1) inclusion and integration issues in multi-ethnic and pluralistic societies; 2) international migration; and 3) gender and equality politics. These topics are mainly studied within the context of politics, work and family life with emphasis on relations and tensions between the national and international levels. The LIM group aims to be at the forefront of studies of an increasingly heterogeneous society in the intersection of basic and applied research.

Inclusion and integration

The Nordic welfare state model, characterised by universal access, generous benefits, a high degree of public involvement and comparatively high levels of redistribution, is both a means of integration and inclusion, and a potential source of conflict. At the heart lies tension between claims to rights and redistribution, on the one hand, and pressing concerns regarding fiscal sustainability and optimal mobilization of the workforce on the other. We are concerned with questions about how the egalitarian Nordic welfare states cope with the pressures of immigration, as well as with how immigration highlights strengths and weaknesses of general welfare policies.

Education and the labour market are important arenas of integration, and a central research topic is whether and to what extent minorities are subject to systemic discrimination. Why and to what extent does ethnic background affect labour market access, careers and social mobility? A related issue is factors influencing work place integration, exclusion and job mobility for employees within different areas of Norwegian work life.

International migration

Migration and regulation thereof have been at the top of the European public agenda for the two past decades. Studies of the causes of mi-

gration and the experiences of migrants have been highly prioritised. The group examines how different rights regimes are negotiated e.g. between international conventions and national regulations. What is the impact of European legislation and norms on national migration management? Why do asylum seekers choose Norway and what is the Government doing to control arrival numbers?

The debate on citizenship, democracy and human rights has been intensified by international migration. One main research topic is the normative standards of citizenship rights. Tensions between contradictory rights regimes are central in this field. Possible tensions include the state's obligation to protect minorities vs. the protection of equal individual rights, tensions between freedom of religion and beliefs vs. civil rights, the right to privacy vs. state intervention, or parental rights vs. children's rights.

Gender and equality politics

Nordic equality politics is currently undergoing profound changes and public policies are increasingly seeking an "integrated approach" to discrimination. A recent research project studies legislative reform and change within the field of discrimination and the implications for established gender equality paradigms.

Another project addresses labour market discrimination of ethnic minorities in particular. Through the use of correspondence testing and qualitative interviews we ask to what extent ethnic inequality in the Norwegian labour market can be explained by discrimination in the hiring process. What is the scope of ethnic discrimination in the Norwegian context – and which types of discrimination can be identified?

The ways in which the Nordic welfare model encounters new family forms is a recurrent research field for the LIM group. Several research projects are concerned with issues of family complexity, transnational relations and minority

and majority experiences. We aim at understanding family life as a locus for change and reproduction of gendered forms of intimacy and subjectivity, as well as exploring different aspects of the Norwegian gender equality project and opportunity structures within different family cultures.

Male dominance in top positions is an important backdrop for the much noticed and recent legal regulation of gender representation on corporate boards. We are conducting a broad analysis of this reform. The analysis examines recruitment processes to boards, the extent of overlapping directorships, the effects of centralization and decentralization as a result of the reform, gender relations in the board room as well as the normative political dilemmas associated with property rights and the role of the state.

An interconnected research topic is gender and ownership which is studied through an examination of gender relations embedded in property relations and traditions of ownership.

2009 IN BRIEF

Research activities in 2009 focused on inclusion and integration, international migration and gender and equality politics within politics, work and family life.

The first topic deals with issues related to the family and household economy. One of our main interests is identifying and enhancing knowledge about the economic problems arising from the encounter between ethnic minority households founded on a collectivist social order and Norwegian rule of law and welfare system. We focus in particular on gender and intergenerational relations.

Additionally, we are running several corresponding projects analysing discrimination as a phenomenon and field of policymaking and lawmaking. We explore the degree to which it is possible to test the scale or level of discrimination, inclusion and integration in working life, the effects of moderate forms of affirmative action and Nordic processes of change in anti-discrimination legislation and equality politics.

A third thematic area is the study of policy-making

and policy development, including studies of sickness absence policy, migration and gender equality policy, each of which is of key interest in studies of politics and policy formation.

A selection of the group's publications from 2009 includes:

- Hagelund, Anniken and Hanne Kavli: "If work is out of sight. Activation and citizenship for new refugees", *Journal of European Social Policy* 19 (3): 259-270
- Teigen, Mari og Lena Wägnerud: "Tracing Gender-Equality Cultures: Elite Perceptions of Gender Equality in Norway and Sweden", *Politics & Gender* (2009), 5: 21-44
- Rogstad, Jon: "What difference does it make? Transnational networks and collective engagement among ethnic minorities in Norway" In: Alghasi, Hylland Eriksen & Ghorashi (eds.) (2009), *Paradoxes of Cultural Recognition*. Perspectives from Northern Europe. Farnham: Ashgate
- Brekke, Jan-Paul and Monica Five Aarset: *Why Norway. Understanding Asylum Destinations*. ISF report 2009:12. Oslo: Insitute for social research

PROJECTS 2009

- The Nordic welfare state and its others - Immigration, citizenship and governance in Norway, Sweden and Denmark 1945-2005
- Transnational networks, national democracies. Political mobilization and engagement among young adults with a minority background
- Gender quotas in boards of large joint stock companies. Democracy vs. inclusion?
- New family cultures: Changing life projects, intimacies and patterns of gender
- Integration, exclusion and job mobility in different types of Norwegian work organizations
- Employment practices and explanations. Correspondance testing in the Norwegian labour market.
- Gender, ownership and local culture
- The politics of sickness. A policy discourse approach to sickness absence
- Multidimensional equality - Legislative re-

forms and judicial practices

- Transnational child migration in Norway: Dilemmas in international and national regulations on family life and citizenship
- Evaluation of the pilot project using moderate quota to promote employment of immigrants in public agencies
- Evaluation of the Government's action plan against forced marriages
- Research on migration to Norway – A review
- Intersections - Gender equality politics, family politics and integration politics
- Why Norway? Asylum seekers' choice of Norway
- Vulnerable asylum seekers in Norway and the EU. A comparative study
- Rebel girls. The situation for young ethnic-minority women who leave their families because of oppression and violence

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POLITICS, DEMOCRACY, CIVIL SOCIETY

“Politics, Democracy and Civil Society” is a cross-disciplinary group which in its research addresses four academic fields: political behaviour, participation and democracy; democratic institutions and process; public policy; civil society and voluntary organisation. Our research combines national and comparative perspectives in these fields and is conducted in collaboration with national and international research centres and networks.

Political behaviour, participation and democracy

Ever since the first parliamentary election study of 1957, ISF has been a leading contributor to studies of political behaviour in general and elections and electoral behaviour in particular. Norwegian electoral studies have largely been synonymous with ISF's research in this area. Over the past few years, the Institute has worked with election study programmes in relation to all the most important forms of democratic election in Norway, i.e. elections to the Storting (national parliament), kommunestyre (local councils), fylkesting (county councils), Sameting (Sámi Parliament) and ecclesiastical bodies. Participation in civil society and in voluntary organisations has been a topic of study at ISF since the 1980s. Studies in this field seek to identify and explore the social mechanisms that characterise civil society as an arena of participation, social integration, social capital and democracy.

Democratic institutions and processes

In a democracy the political concerns of the citizens are mediated by a set of political institutions. This applies both to the bodies of the representative democracy, such as the Storting and local councils, and voluntary organisations such as, for instance, the political parties. These institutions offer citizens a possibility of exercising political influence, but also impose con-

straints on such forms of involvement. Research in this field seeks to map the workings of the political institutions and to analyse participation within institutions and the power balance between them.

Public policy

Studies in this field seek to improve our knowledge of how public policy is shaped and implemented, and how it contributes to the evaluation of public policy in different political areas. Public policy is often analysed as a result of a systemic process in which different actors contribute input to the political system and where the output side consists of the implementation of public policy. The group develops studies of governance practices within different policy fields: environment, climate change, welfare, sport, and so on.

Civil society and voluntary organisation

Civil society consists of alliances of state, market and family. In this field the group's research focuses on civil alliances' operations, ownership and organisation, social roles and sectoral structures, and the processes of change at the micro and macro levels taking place within this field.

The group's work is also related to the work of the “Centre for research on civil society and voluntary sector”, a collaborative venture between the Rokkan Centre in Bergen and the Institute for Social Research, Oslo. (For more information please visit sivilsamfunn.no.)

2009 IN BRIEF

2009 was a productive year. Two of our PhD students graduated, three books were published, and the results of two important projects were presented.

Signe Bock Seggaard received her PhD on 17 June after successfully defending her thesis *Paths to local e-democracy – organisation,*

goals, means and outcomes (Vejer til lokalt e-demokrati – organiserings, mål, virkemidler og resultater) at the University of Oslo.

On Monday 23 June, Rune Karlsen presented his doctoral dissertation *Election campaigns and new media technology: A closer look at campaigning in Norway* at the University of Oslo.

The group published three books in 2009. Norwegian local democracy and public trust: is local politics drowned out by the media's focus on national politics? Would it be a good idea to spread elections across more than one day? These are some of the important questions dealt with by fourteen researchers in the book *Det nære demokratiet – lokalvalg og lokal deltagelse* (Local Democracy – Local Elections and Local Participation), edited by Jo Saglie. (Oslo: Abstrakt).

Ann-Helén Bay, Jo Saglie and Axel West Pedersen edited the book *Når velferd blir politikk. Partier, organisasjoner og opinion* (When Welfare Turns into Politics. Parties, Organisations and Opinion), (Oslo: Abstrakt). Perspectives from two different research traditions, welfare state studies and election and political party studies are collated in this book, which is the result of a project exploring "The politics of welfare policy", funded under the Norwegian Research Council's welfare programme. ISF worked together with NOVA on the project. The book contains detailed studies of Norwegian politics and contributions viewing Norwegian experiences in an international light.

In *Civil Society in Comparative Perspective*, edited by Karl Henrik Sivesind and Bernard Enjolras, contributors compare different civil society regimes and discuss the democratic role of civil society in activating citizen participation.

In response to a commission from the Ministry of Local Government and Regional Development, Signe Bock Seggaard and Guro Ødegård examined and evaluated selected e-democracy projects at the municipal level in Norway. They discuss project implementation and pitfalls facing this type of action. In light of the findings, a practical guide has been put together to help local councils seeking to strengthen local democracy by using modern information and com-

munications technology. The key phrase is institutional anchoring.

The study of parish elections is the latest addition to electoral research at ISF. In a joint project with KIFO Centre for Church Research and MF Norwegian School of Theology, ISF was asked by the National Church Council to evaluate the reform of the Norwegian Church. ISF is in charge of a comprehensive survey of voters focusing on voting behaviour and attitudes.

PROJECTS 2009

- Centre for research on civil society and voluntary sector
- The Storting election study
- The politics of welfare policy
- Local democracy survey 2007
- Evaluation of the democracy reform of the Norwegian Church
- Changing attitudes to welfare
- Commissioned study: Local democracy and e-democracy
- Sami election study
- The effects of reinstating freedom for voters to strike candidates off election ballot papers in Norwegian municipal elections
- Democratic government in a multilevel system: Local implementation of national policies in Norway
- Political integration of immigrants: A study of participation and representation in Norwegian local politics
- New urban regions – changing participation? Citizens, parties and civil society
- The role of foundations in Norwegian society. Preliminary project
- A strategic analysis of corporate sports
- The patterns and values of volunteering in the Czech and Norwegian societies
- Update of the book "Norsk idrett" (Norwegian sports)
- Social economy and social inclusion at the local level
- The Norwegian life cycle, aging and generation study
- Evidence-based analysis of political and administrative role and division of tasks

at Norwegian Olympic and Paralympic Committee and Confederation of Sports (NIF) central office, national federations and sports districts

- The Norwegian tradition of the “Dugnad”
- Red Cross social analysis
- Distribution of VAT compensation to voluntary associations

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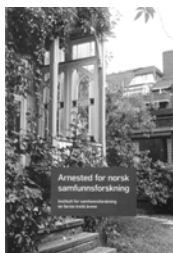
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Institute for Social Research is 60 in 2010

AT THE FOREFRONT OF NORWEGIAN SOCIAL RESEARCH SINCE 1950

Institute for Social Research is celebrating its sixtieth anniversary in 2010. The event is marked in several ways throughout the anniversary year. On 19 March, around 300 guests gathered together for an anniversary seminar at Gamle Logen in Oslo; keynote speakers included the Minister of Research and Higher Education, Tora Aasland, the Minister for Children, Equality and Inclusion, Audun Lysbakken, and the Dutch migration researcher Ruud Koopmans.

We also published a book chronicling the first thirty years of the institute, written by former ISF Head librarian Sven Lindblad (Arrested for norsk samfunnsforskning. Institutt for samfunnsforskning de første tretti årene). The book provides a well-documented insight into the early history of the institute, and can be recommended to anyone with an interest in the emergence of social research in Norway.



New book chronicling ISF's early years.

The pioneering stage

The Institute for Social Research was founded on 9 February 1950, a result of combining entrepreneurial spirit in the academic sector with private capital. The Rinde family provided the economic basis for establishing the necessary infrastructure. Sigurd Rinde and his son Erik Rinde invested capital in the creation of a private social research institute. Their ambition was to facilitate the production of reliable social research as a platform for improving society. While they were staunch believers in the venture, they had no guarantee of success.

Vilhelm Aubert was the primus motor on the academic side. In the early days he also worked closely with Arne Næss and Stein Rokkan. Aubert's research ideal was "problem-oriented

empiricism". That is, research should be realistic (empiricism) and research questions should be not only of scientific interest but socially relevant as well (problem orientation). In the early years, research was particularly influenced by international collaboration. Several projects received grants from foreign foundations such as the Ford Foundation and Rockefeller Foundation, and periodically several prominent American scientists worked at the Institute.



Wilhelm Aubert believed research should be realistic and socially relevant. Photo: ISF archives

Institutional offshoots

The international dimension of research at ISF wilted, however, after the department of conflict and peace research spun off from the Institute in the 1960s and formed its own dedicated institute (PRIO – Peace Research Institute, Oslo). At the same time, several other research institutes were established, mainly government funded including the National Institute for Drug and Alcohol Research (SIFA) and Institute for Applied Social Research (INAS). In 1980, ISF and INAS moved to the same premises in Munthesgate, and from 1977 the two institutes shared administrative infrastructure provided by a purpose-built government service organisation called ISAF.



60 years of ISF Directors. From left: Erik Rinde, Willy Martinussen, Ted Hanisch, Fredrik Engelstad and Ann-Helén Bay. Photos: ISF archives

Journal of Social Research

In 1958, Vilhelm Aubert suggested creating a journal of social research (*Tidsskrift for samfunnsforskning*), with editors from ISF. The journal was established with support from the then Research Council for Science and the Humanities (NAVF), and the first edition came out in 1960. The journal's academic position remains strong. A special edition was printed in connection with the institute's anniversary featuring some of the most important articles of the past decades.

Working life, politics and society

According to ISF's objects clause, as adopted at the Institute's foundation, the Institute shall "conduct research into social issues in the field of industry and working life, society and politics". Highlights from early, classic studies, include Henry Valen and Daniel Katz's *Political Parties in Norway*, A Community Study, Sverre Lysgaard's *Arbeiderkollektivet* (Workers' collective), and Vilhelm Aubert's two books, *Det skjulte samfunn* (The hidden society) and *Likhet og rett* (Equality and justice).

Although the research portfolio has sometimes extended further than the objects clause would suggest, the themes of working life, politics and society have remained important pillars of research throughout, influenced significantly over the years by a comprehensive welfare state. Under each of the headings, the Institute has captured new social problems and issues over the years.

Electorate research has always been a component of studies at ISF. The Institute was a pio-

neer in the field of gender research and took up studies of migration and immigration at an early date. The empirical role of civil society was a concern and object of empirical study at the Institute long before voluntary organisations were (re-)discovered by politicians. The Institute was also one of the first to run projects analysing labour market policy mechanisms. This tradition today comprehends other public income support schemes.

Cooperation and innovation

ISF's research portfolio remains wedded to the pillars of working life, politics and society. That said, the way research is organised at the Institute has changed in recent years, mainly as a result of new funding structures. The Government and contract partners are increasingly interested in large-scale, multi-institutional projects. ISF is currently in charge of several comprehensive projects such as Centre for Research of civil society and voluntary sector, in partnership with the UNI-Rokkan Centre in Bergen. The principle funding source is the Ministry of Culture, but funding is also provided by the Ministry of Labour and Ministry of Children, Equality and Inclusion.

One of the main commitments of the Institute going forward is to accelerate our adaptation to globalisation and internationalisation both in our research profile and vis-à-vis funding sources.

ISF is a vigorous sixty year-old continually developing activities in line with its founder's ambitions: to deliver scientifically sound research on problems and challenges affecting society.

INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION 2009

The Institute for Social Research promotes international cooperation through projects, publishing, visits and assignments in international organisations. Cooperation with excellent institutions at home and abroad contributes to increased quality and higher competence. About one third of the Institute's projects have foreign partners.

PROJECT PARTNERS

In 2009 the researchers at ISF had project partners at the following international institutions:

- Bristol University
- Estonian Institute of Humanities
- European University Institute, Firenze
- Göteborg University, Sweden
- Harvard University, USA
- Institute for future studies, Sweden
- Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, USA
- Karolinska Institutet, Sweden
- London School of Economics, UK
- Malmö University, Sweden
- National Institute of Economic and Social Research, London, UK
- Norwegian school of economics and management, Bergen
- OECD, France
- Odysseus Academic Network of Lawyers, Brussels, Belgium
- Royal Institute of Technology, KTH, Stockholm, Sweden
- Stanford University
- Stockholm University, Sweden
- Stockholm School of Economics, Sweden
- The research institute of the Finnish economy, Finland
- Turku University, Finland
- Univerzita Karlova, Czech republic
- University of Copenhagen, Denmark
- University of Edinburgh
- University of Helsinki, Finland
- University of Iceland
- University of Nottingham
- University of Southern Denmark
- University of Aarhus, Denmark
- Universitet Concordia, Montreal, Canada

- University of Jyväskylä
- Uppsala University, Sweden
- Westfälischen Wilhelms-Universität Münster, Germany
- Aarhus school of business, Denmark
- Aalborg University, Denmark

ASSIGNMENTS IN INTERNATIONAL SCIENTIFIC ORGANISATIONS

The researchers had assignments in the following international scientific organisations:

- Centre d'Economie de la Sorbonne. Equipe Modélisation appliquée trajectoires institutionnelles stratégies socioéconomiques (MATISSE) Université Paris I, Pantheon-Sorbonne
- Chaire d'Economie Sociale, Université de Québec à Montréal.
- CINEFOGO – Civil Society and New Forms of Governance in Europe
- EMES European Research Network
- European Consortium for Sociological Research (ECSR)
- European Integration Fund
- European Institute of Social Security
- European Social Survey
- European Voluntary Associations in the Modern and the Contemporary Period (EVA)
- Institute for research on Migration, Ethnicity and Society
- Institute for the Study of Labor (IZA)
- International Political Science Association (IPSA)
- International Society for Third-Sector Research
- Nordic Migration Research

ISF ABROAD

ISF researchers were invited to present research and/or deliver lectures by the following institutions:

Guest lectures:

- Harvard University, USA
- Stockholm University
- University of Southern Denmark

Guest visits:

- Harvard Law School, USA
- National Bureau of Economic Research, Cambridge, MA, USA
- Queen Mary, University of London, UK
- University of California, USA

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The Institute's research results are disseminated through a number of channels such as reports, books, journals and anthologies, or communicated verbally at specialist conferences. While research is generally conveyed to clients in the form of reports or papers, verbal presentations, seminars and the media are used as well. Students and research fellows are kept up to date by teachers and advisors. A comprehensive list of reports, articles, books and conference papers published by the Institute can be found on page 21-27.

Reports

The Institute publishes the results of its projects in *Rapporter – Reports* – one of the Institute's own series. Most of our reports can be downloaded at www.samfunnsforskning.no. Paper copies, and all of our books, can be ordered via the same site. Thirteen reports were published in 2009, up from eleven in 2008.

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In June 2009 ISF launched a new website and a new content management system, eZ-publish 4. The design has undergone a small revision, but the outer structure and content remain the same. Reconstructing a well-established website is much more time-consuming than starting afresh. At the same time, the process confirmed the adage that a website is never finished. The Web is in constant motion.

In the late summer of 2009 we started using Google Analytics to record visits to our website. The site makeover had a marked effect the number of visits in the first few months, when all of the web addresses – the website's URLs, were new and had to be established afresh. Statistics fluctuated between 450 visits per day on average in October to 750 and 600 in November and December respectively. By January we were back on track with highs of about 800 hits per day.

In 2009, there were 1,119 subscribers to electronic news, compared to 1,170 in 2008. The decline is mainly the result of clearing out dud addresses and migration to the new web solution.

In addition to the Norwegian main page, ISF runs and maintains an English version: social-research.no, and several pages devoted to different projects, of which the most elaborate being sivilsamfunn.no, and its English version, civilsociety.no. These web pages host the Centre for research on civil Society and voluntary sector (Senter for forskning på sivilsamfunn og frivillig sektor). The centre is a wide-ranging joint project combining the resources of ISF and Rokkan Centre in Bergen, with the Ministry of Culture as the main contracting partner. *sivilsamfunn.no* publishes and discusses research from the Institute and is a portal for other Norwegian and international social research, with special emphasis on civil society and the voluntary sector. In 2009, the page had an average of 1,500 visits per month.

Meetings, seminars and conferences

Researchers at the Institute meet clients and user groups on a regular basis, often informally in when handing over project reports, and at seminars attended by users.

The Institute hosted several events for clients in 2009, including seminars and the Late Summer Get-together. Afternoon debates and book launches are open to the public, clients, academics and journalists.

ISF Abstracts

Abstracts of books and reports are published two times a year in ISF Sammendrag (ISF Abstracts), as well as summaries of articles printed in Norwegian and international journals and anthologies. Subscription is free and can be registered on our web pages or by contacting the Institute.

PUBLISHING AND EDITORIAL WORK

ISF publishes research project results in reports, books, articles in journals and anthologies, and as papers presentations at scientific conferences. Results may also be published at lectures, seminars and in the press. Furthermore, researchers communicate their findings through lectures and by teaching students and research fellows.

In addition to the ISF Report series, the Institute is responsible for the following four scientific journals:

COMPARATIVE SOCIAL RESEARCH



The yearbook *Comparative Social Research* aims at furthering the international orientation in the social sciences. Each volume is concentrated on a specific topic, mostly of substantive, but also of methodological character. As a rule, the articles presents two or more cases for comparison,

be they nations, regions, organizations, or social units at different points of time. The most recent volumes have focused on the multicultural challenge, comparative studies of culture and power, and conscription in the armed forces. *Comparative Social Research* is published by Emerald Group Publishing.

NORDIC JOURNAL OF POLITICAL ECONOMY



Nordic Journal of Political Economy (NOPEC) is published twice a year. The editors welcome submissions from all areas of economics and social science. Submissions are subject to a standard referee process. The journal publishes articles that are relevant to political and normative issues, survey papers for a general audience of economists and social scientists, inter-disciplinary papers as well as empirical research from the Nordic countries. The editors of the journal organise annual conferences. From 2007 NOPEC is only published online.

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FOCUS ON THE WORKING LIFE



Søkelys på arbeidslivet (Focus on the working life) is published by Universitetsforlaget (Norwegian University Press) with financial support from the Ministry of Labour and the Norwegian Research Council. The periodical is intended as a supplement to existing publications on the labour market and labour research, and it aims at making research findings available to a wider circle of readers.

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JOURNAL OF SOCIAL RESEARCH



In 1960, the Institute established the *Tidsskrift for samfunnsforskning* (Journal of Social Research). The journal is published by Universitetsforlaget (Norwegian University Press). Aside from original articles by Norwegian researchers often based on empirical studies, the journal contains book reviews, debates on current issues, review articles and articles on research policy. Issues on special themes are also published.

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EDITORIAL WORK 2009

In 2009, the scientific staff at ISF were editors, guest editors, members of editorial boards and referees in a wide range of Nordic and international journals.

Editor, guest editor, member of the editorial board

International journals:

- Acta Sociologica
- British Journal of Industrial Relations
- Comparative Social Research
- International review of social economy (RECMA)
- Nordic Journal of Political Economy
- Quarterly of European Studies
- Revista CRIEC-España
- Telescopes, Canada
- The Annals of Public and Cooperative Economics
- Voluntas, International Journal of Voluntary and Nonprofit Organizations

Norwegian journals:

- Nytt Norsk Tidsskrift
- Prosa
- Sosiologi i dag
- Sosiolognytt
- Søkelys på arbeidslivet
- Stat og styring
- Tidsskrift for kjønnsforskning
- Tidsskrift for samfunnsforskning

Referees

International journals:

- Acta Sociologica
- British Journal of Industrial Relations
- Childhood
- Economie et Société
- European Comparative Research
- European Sport Management Quarterly
- Industrial and labour relations review
- International Journal of Human Manpower
- International Sociology
- Journal of Civil Society
- Journal of Education and Work
- Journal of International Migration and Integration (JIMI)
- Journal of Labor Economics
- Journal of Power
- Journal of Sociology
- Journal of Sport Management
- Labour Economics
- Nonprofit and Voluntary Sector Quarterly
- Party Politics
- Poetics
- Politiques et Management Public
- Population Economics
- Reveue Internationale de l'Economie Sociale
- Recherches Economiques de Louvain
- Social Forces
- The Annals of Public and cooperative economics
- The Economic History Review
- The International Journal of Press/Politics
- Voluntas
- Young - Nordic Journal of Youth Research

Nordic journals:

- Nordic Journal of Religion and Society
- Sosiologi i dag.
- Sosiologisk tidsskrift
- Søkelys på arbeidslivet
- Tidsskrift for samfunnsforskning
- Tidsskrift for velferdsforskning

PUBLICATIONS 2009

Publication activities at ISF in 2009

Articles in scientific referee journals	34
Scientific monographs	2
Scientific books, textbooks or other autonomous publications	5
Articles in scientific books	33
Chapters or articles in textbooks, proceedings, scientific journals	8
Reports in own report series	13
Reports in external report series	7
Lectures/presentations of papers/posters	38
Articles and lectures in popular science	69
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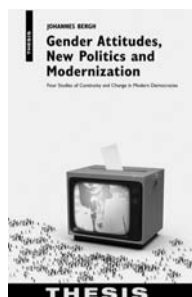
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- enhancing knowledge about the voluntary sector's significance to society, contributing to further development of government policy for the sector and enhancing the sector through research driven knowledge;
- contributing to development of new research propositions and strengthening research and knowledge networks through among other things educating research fellows and young researchers;
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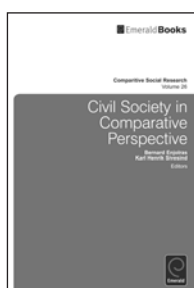
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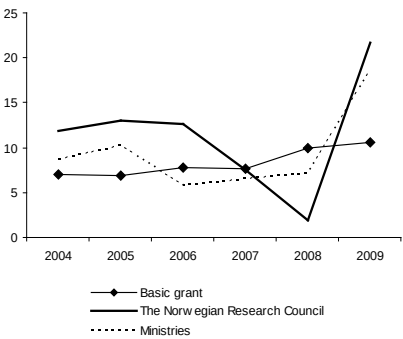
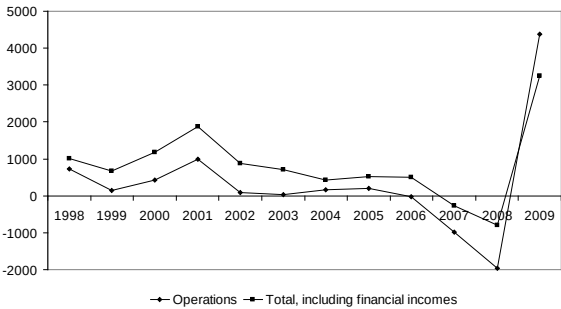


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ISF EVENTS 2009

ISF SEMINARS

Femm Seminar: Complying with Colonialism – ISF, 9 December 2009.

Femm Seminar: Familiepraksiser og likestilling i innvandrersfamilier (Family Practices and Equality in Immigrant Families) – ISF, 26 November 2009.

Workshop: Hushold, ekteskap og eiendom i historisk perspektiv (Households, Marriage and Property in a Historic Perspective) – ISF, 4 November 2009.

Femm Seminar: Flerstemmig feminisme eller søsterskap til besvær? (Multivocal Feminism or Burdensome Sistership?) – Litteraturhuset, 15 October 2009.

Workshop on the use of tests to uncover discrimination – ISF, 30 September 2009.

Femm Seminar: Rettighetsinformasjon for innvandrerkvinner: Hva gjøres og hva krever FNs kvinnekonvensjon? (Information on Immigrant Women's Rights. What is being done, and what does the UN Convention on Women require?) – ISF, 22 September 2009.

Web site launch – Centre for research on civil society and voluntary sector – organised by ISF and the Uni Rokkan Centre, 30 April 2009.

Femm Seminar: Institusjonalisert interseksjonalitet. Flerdimensjonal likestillingslovgivning og evalueringen av LDO (Institutionalised Intersectionality. Multidimensional Equality Legislation and Evaluation of the Equality and Anti-Discrimination Ombud) – ISF, 26 March 2009.

Femm Seminar: Russian Migrant Women in Prostitution in Norway – ISF, 24 February 2009.

Innvandring og valgkamp - en farlig kombinasjon? (Immigration and Election Campaigning – A Volatile Mix?) – Wednesday, 1 April 2009. Keynote speakers: Tor Mikkell Wara, Akhtar Chaudhry, John Olav Egeland, Bernt Aardal. Moderator: Grete Brochmann

Ulikheten stiger – topplønningene øker mest (Inequality is Widening – Top Salaries Growing Fastest) – Wednesday, 6 May 2009. Speakers: Bård Kuvaas, Sofie Mathiassen, Harald Dale-Olsen, Marianne Røed

Book launch: Det nære demokratiet – lokalvalg og lokal deltakelse (Democracy on the Doorstep – Local Elections and Local Participation) ed. Jo Saglie, ISF, 14 August 2009. Participants: Magnhild Meltveit Kleppa, Erling Lae (Con), Per Sandberg (Prog) and Ola Elvestuen (Lib), Jo Saglie, Tor Bjørklund, Johannes Bergh and Lawrence Rose

Book launch: Når velferd blir politikk (When Welfare Turns into Politics) ed. Ann-Helén Bay, Axel West Pedersen and Jo Saglie, ISF in conjunction with NOVA, 21 January 2009. Presentations by Ann-Helén Bay, Axel West Pedersen (NOVA) and Rune Karlsen. Panel debate with Ola Elvestuen (Lib), Karin Andersen (Sos. Left) and Trond Hole (Con)

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Harmonization in the European Union: Asylum, Irregular Migration, Integration. ISF 26 November 2009.

Deltakelse i endring (Changing Participation). Centre for research on civil society and voluntary sector, organised by ISF and the Uni Rokkan Centre 31 August 2009

Informal Child Migration in Europe. Final Conference of the NFR-supported Migration Project. University of Oslo. 8 December 2009

VILHELM AUBERT MEMORIAL LECTURE

In cooperation with the Department of Sociology and Human Geography at the University of Oslo, ISF annually hosts the «Vilhelm Aubert Memorial Lecture». This year's lecture was given by Kathleen Thelen, Professor of Political Science at Institute for Policy Research, Northwestern University.

Seminar at ISF, 30 January 2009:
A Theory of gradual institutional Change

Public lecture at the University of Oslo, 29 January 2009: *Inequality and social solidarity*

ARVID BRODERSEN MEMORIAL LECTURE

Starting in 1998 P.M. Røwde's Foundation has held an annual public lecture in memory of Arvid Brodersen.

This year's lecture was given by Kristin Halvorsen: *Den nordiske velferdsmodellen* [The Nordic Welfare Model], Institute for Social Research, 22 October 2009



Minister for Transport and Communications, Magnhild Meltveit Kleppa (above) and Erling Lae (below), city councillor for Oslo, both spoke at the book seminar "Det nære demokratiet - lokalvalg og lokal deltakelse."

Prof. Kathleen Thelen (above) gave this year's Vilhelm Aubert Memorial Lecture, while Trond Enger (below) from LNU spoke at the launch of website www.sivilsamfunn.no

