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### Employment

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Research Professor, Peace Research Institute Oslo (PRIO) (2017- present)  
Senior Researcher, Peace Research Institute Oslo (PRIO) (2012-2017)  
Researcher, PRIO (2007-2012)  
Youth Officer, Association of Young Catholics in Norway (NUK) (2004-2007)

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### Education

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Doctor of Philosophy in Human Geography, University of Oslo (UiO) (2012)  
Dissertation: Transnational ties and belonging: Remittances from Pakistani migrants in Norway  
Master of Arts in Human Geography, UiO (2006)  
Thesis: Contributing to development? Transnational activities among members of the Tamil diaspora in Norway  
Bachelor of Arts in Geography (1<sup>st</sup> class, honors), University College London (2002)  
Undergraduate dissertation: The meaning of home: Young Afghan refugees in New Delhi

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### Career breaks (parental leave for each of four children)

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August 2005-May 2006; August 2008-April 2009; October 2010-April 2011; November 2012-May 2013

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### Languages

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Fluent: English, Norwegian, Polish; Basic reading: French.

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### Principal investigator of research projects

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Governing and Experiencing Citizenship in Multicultural Scandinavia, Research Council of Norway (RCN), 9.6 million NOK/1 million EUR (2015-2019)  
Negotiating the Nation: Implications of Ethnic and Religious Diversity for National Identity (NATION), RCN, 8.2 million NOK/870,000 EUR (2013-2017)

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### Researcher and research project work package leader

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Financial Exclusion, Islamic Finance and Housing in the Nordic Countries, RCN (2016-2020)  
Migration for Welfare: Nurses within Three Regimes of Immigration and Integration into the Norwegian Welfare State, RCN (2016-2019)  
Transnational Lives in the Welfare State, RCN (2014-2019)  
Active Citizenship in Culturally and Religiously Diverse Societies, RCN (2014-2018)

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### Past research projects

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Negotiating Values: Collective Identities and Resilience after 22/7, RCN (2012-2017)  
Private Islamic Charity and Approaches to Poverty Reduction, RCN, researcher (2011-2015)  
Possibilities and Realities of Return Migration, RCN, member of management group, work package leader, researcher (2011-2016)  
Remittances from Immigrants in Norway, RCN, doctoral researcher (2007-2012)

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**Strategic networks**


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Chair of the Training Committee of the IMISCOE (International Migration and Social Cohesion in Europe) network, facilitating the coordination and communication of training activities across IMISCOE member institutions; 2016-

Interactions of Migrant Integration and Transnationalism in Europe (**IMITE**), funded within the IMISCOE (International Migration, Integration and Social Cohesion) network (2012-Present), granted 'standing committee' status within IMISCOE in 2015, led by Erasmus University Rotterdam, with PRIO and Maastricht Graduate School of Governance, Maastricht University

Member of the Young Academy of Norway, 2017-2021.

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**Articles in peer-reviewed journals**


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Erdal, M.B. and Pawlak, M. (2017), Reproducing, transforming, and contesting gender relations and identities through migration and transnational ties, *Gender, Place and Culture*. DOI: 10.1080/0966369X.2017.1372378.

Erdal, M.B. and Oeppen, C. (2017), Forced to leave? The discursive and analytical significance of describing migration as forced and voluntary, *Journal of Ethnic and Migration Studies*. DOI: 10.1080/1369183X.2017.1384149

Erdal, M.B. & Sagmo, T.H. (2017), Descent, birthplace and residence: Aligning principles of citizenship with realities of migrant transnationalism. *Norsk Geografisk Tidsskrift–Norwegian Journal of Geography* DOI: 10.1080/00291951.2017.1369456.

Borchgrevink, K. and Erdal, M.B. (2017), With faith in development: Organizing transnational Islamic charity, *Progress in Development Studies*, 17(3): 214–228.

Ezzati, R.T. and Erdal, M.B. (2017), Do we have to agree? Accommodating unity in diversity in post-terror Norway, *Ethnicities*. DOI: 10.1177/1468796816684145.

Erdal, M.B. (2016) Juxtaposing Pakistani diaspora policy with migrants' transnational citizenship practices, *Geoforum* 76: 1-10.

Erdal, M.B. and Borchgrevink, K. (2016), Transnational Islamic charity as everyday rituals, *Global Networks*. DOI: 10.1111/glob.12137.

Bygnes, S. and Erdal, M.B. (2016), Liquid migration, grounded lives: Considerations about future mobility and settlement among Polish and Spanish migrants in Norway, *Journal of Ethnic and Migration Studies*. DOI: 10.1080/1369183X.2016.1211004.

Bolognani, M. and Erdal, M.B. (2016), The discursive possibility of return: How does political context affect belonging among British and Norwegian Pakistanis? *Journal of International Migration and Integration*. DOI: 10.1007/s12134-016-0470-4.

Erdal, M.B. and Lewicki, A. (2016), Moving citizens: Citizenship practices among Polish migrants in Norway and the United Kingdom, *Social Identities* 22(1): 112-128.

Bell, J. and Erdal, M.B. (2015), Limited but enduring transnational ties? Transnational family life among Polish migrants in Norway, *Studia Migracyjne – Przegląd Polonijny [Migration Studies – Polish Diaspora Review]* 157(3): 77-98.

Abdin, Z.U. and Erdal, M.B. (2015), Remittance-sending among Pakistani taxi-drivers in Barcelona and Oslo: Implications of migration-trajectories and the protracted electricity crisis in Pakistan, *Migration and Development*. DOI: 10.1080/21632324.2015.1081334.

Erdal, M.B., Amjad, A., Bodla, Z., Rubab, A. (2015), Going back to Pakistan for education? The interplay of return mobilities, education and transnational living, *Population, Space and Place*. DOI: 10.1002/psp.1966.

Erdal, M.B. and Ezzati, R. (2015), 'Where are you from' or 'When did you come'? Temporal dimensions in migrants' reflections about settlement and return, *Ethnic and Racial Studies* 38(7): 1202-1217.

Erdal, M.B. (2014), 'This is my home': Pakistani and Polish migrants' return considerations as articulations about 'home', *Comparative Migration Studies* 2(3): 361-384.

Carling, J. and Erdal, M.B. (2014), Return migration and transnationalism: How are the two connected? *International Migration* 52(6): 2-12.

- Erdal, M.B. (2014), Praca i Rodzina: Rozważania o powrocie wśród Polaków mieszkających w Norwegii, [Work and family: Return considerations among Poles living in Norway], *Studia Migracyjne – Przegląd Polonijny [Migration Studies – Polish Diaspora Review]* 40(2): 41-64.
- Horst, C., Erdal, M.B., Carling, J., and Afeef, K. (2014), Private money, public scrutiny? Contrasting perspectives on remittances, *Global Networks* 14(4): 514-532.
- Carling, J., Erdal, M.B. and Rojan, E. (2013), Beyond the insider-outsider divide in migration research, *Migration Studies* 2(1): 36-54. [60 Google Scholar citations].
- Erdal, M.B. and Oeppen, C. (2013), Migrant balancing acts: Ways of understanding the interactions between integration and transnationalism, *Journal of Ethnic and Migration Studies* 39(6): 867-884. [97 Google Scholar citations].
- Erdal, M.B. (2013), Migrant transnationalism and multi-layered integration: Norwegian-Pakistani migrants' own reflections, *Journal of Ethnic and Migration Studies* 39(6): 983-999. [24 Google Scholar citations].
- Erdal, M.B. (2012), Who is the money for? Remittances within and beyond the household in Pakistan, *Asian and Pacific Migration Journal* 21(4): 437-458.
- Carling, J., Erdal, M.B. and Horst, C. (2012), 'How does conflict in migrants' country of origin affect remittance-sending? Financial priorities and transnational obligations among Somalis and Pakistanis in Norway.' *International Migration Review* 46 (2): 283-309.
- Erdal, M.B. (2012), 'A place to stay in Pakistan': Why migrants build houses in their country of origin, *Population, Space and Place* 18(5): 629-641. [24 Google Scholar citations].
- Erdal, M.B. and Stokke, K. (2009), Contributing to development? Transnational activities among members of the Tamil diaspora in Norway?, *Asian and Pacific Migration Journal* 18 (3): 397-418.

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#### Book chapters

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- Erdal, M.B. (2017), Pakistani diaspora communities in Norway: Part of a transnational social field for how long? in Amjad, R. (ed.), *The Pakistani Diaspora: Corridors of opportunity and anxiety*, Lahore School of Economics, Lahore, Pakistan. (pp. 197-224).
- Erdal, M.B. (2017), Timespaces of return migration: The interplay of everyday practices and imaginaries of return in transnational social fields, in Christou, A., Mavroudi, E., and Page, B. (eds.), *Timespaces and International Migration*. Cheltenham: Edward Elgar.
- Borchgrevink, K. and Erdal, M.B. (2017), Circulation of ideas and practices of Islamic charity in the transnational social field spanning Europe and Pakistan, in Nowicka, M. and Serbedzija, V. (eds.), *Migration and Social Remittances in a Global Europe*. Basingstoke: Palgrave Macmillan (pp. 259-280).
- Erdal, M.B. and Oeppen, C. (2017), Forced to return? Agency and the role of post-return mobility for wellbeing among returnees to Afghanistan, Pakistan and Poland, in Vathi, Z. and King, R. (eds.), *Return Migration and Wellbeing: Discourses, Policy-Making and Outcomes for Migrants and their Families*. Abingdon: Routledge.
- Erdal, M.B. and Pasura, D. (2016), Introduction: Migration, transnationalism and Catholicism: Global perspectives, in Erdal, M.B. and Pasura, D. (eds.), *Migration, Transnationalism and Catholicism: Global Perspectives*. Basingstoke: Palgrave Macmillan (pp. 1-20).
- Erdal, M.B. (2016), When Poland became the main country of birth among Catholics in Norway: Exploring the interface of Polish migrants' everyday narratives and Church responses to a rapid demographic re-constitution, in Erdal, M.B. and Pasura, D. (eds.), *Migration, Transnationalism and Catholicism: Global Perspectives*. Basingstoke: Palgrave Macmillan (pp. 259-289).
- Erdal, M.B. (2016), Innenfra, utenfra og tredjeposisjoner? Refleksiv posisjonaltet i forskning blant katolikker i Norge, [Insider, outsider or third positions? Reflexive positionality in research among Catholics in Norway] in Aschim, A., Hovdelien, Sødal, H.K. (eds.), *Kristne migranter i Norden [Christian migrants in the Nordic countries]*. Kristiansand: Portal.
- Erdal, M.B. (2015), The diaspora meets the 'development industry': Engaging Norwegian-Pakistanis in development back home, in Rahman, M. and Tan, Y.T. (eds.), *International Migration and Development in South Asia*. Abingdon: Routledge (pp. 44-60).

- Erdal, M.B. (2014), The social dynamics of remittance-receiving in Pakistan: Agency and opportunity among non-migrants in a transnational social field, in Rahman, M., Tan, Y.T. and Ullah, A. (eds.), *Migrant Remittances in South: Social, Political and Economic Implications*. Basingstoke: Palgrave Macmillan (pp. 115-134).
- Erdal, M.B. and Ezzati, R. (2013), Når ute også er hjemme: Migrasjon og utenrikspolitikk [When away is also home: Migration and foreign policy], in Mølster, O. and Weltzien, Å. (eds.), *Norge og det nye verdenskartet* [Norway and the new world map] Oslo: Cappelen Damm (pp. 58-79).

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#### **Edited special issues, sections and books**

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- Stokke, K. and Erdal, M.B. (eds.) (2017), Political geographies of citizenship, *Norwegian Journal of Geography*.
- Erdal, M.B. and Pasura, D. (eds.) (2016), *Migration, Transnationalism and Catholicism: Global Perspectives*. Basingstoke: Palgrave Macmillan.
- Erdal, M.B. and Lewicki, A. (eds.) (2016), Polish migration within Europe: Mobility, transnationalism and integration, *Social Identities* 22(1).
- Carling, J. and Erdal, M.B. (eds.) (2014), Connections between return migration and transnationalism, special section, *International Migration* 56(2).
- Engbersen, G., Erdal, M.B., Bilgili, Ö., and Bakker, L. (eds.) (2014), Transnationalism in a comparative perspective, special issue, *Comparative Migration Studies* 2(3).
- Erdal, M.B. and Oeppen, C. (eds.) (2013), Interactions between integration and transnationalism, special issue, *Journal of Ethnic and Migration Studies* 39(6).

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#### **Reports**

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- Erdal, Marta Bivand; Micheal Collyer; Rojan Tordhol Ezzati; Katrine Fangen; Thomas Lacroix; Åshild Kolås; & Mette Strømsø (2017) Negotiating the Nation: Implications of Ethnic and Religious Diversity for National Identity, PRIO Project Summary. Oslo: PRIO.
- Syse, Henrik; Rojan Tordhol Ezzati; Marta Bivand Erdal; Kjersti Thorbjørnsrud; Tine Ustad Figenschou; Mareile Kaufmann; Odin Lysaker; & Francis Steen (2017) Negotiating Values: Norway in the wake of July 22, PRIO Project Summary. Oslo: PRIO.
- Erdal, Marta Bivand; Alice Ennals; Kari Helene Partapouli; & Nadia Falch Bandak, eds, (2015) *Diaspora og Utvikling* [Diaspora and Development] Oslo: Development Fund.
- Carling, Jørgen; Marta Bolognani; Marta Bivand Erdal; Rojan Tordhol Ezzati; Ceri Oeppen; Erlend Paasche; Silje Vatne Pettersen; & Tove Heggli Sagmo (2015) Possibilities and Realities of Return Migration, PRIO Project Summary. Oslo: PRIO.
- Erdal, Marta Bivand & Cindy Horst (2010) Engaging Diasporas in Development. A Review of Pilot Project Pakistan, PRIO Paper. Oslo: PRIO.
- Carling, Jørgen; Marta Bivand Erdal; Cindy Horst; & Hilde Wallacher (2007) Legal, Rapid and Reasonably Priced? A Survey of Remittance Services in Norway, PRIO Report, 3. Oslo: PRIO.

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#### **Policy briefs**

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- Erdal, M.B. and Strømsø, M. (2016), *Norskhet i flertall* [Plural Norwegianness], PRIO Policy Brief 14. Oslo: PRIO.
- Erdal, M.B. and Borchgrevink, K. (2015), *Diaspora Development Engagements Seen through the Prism of Islamic Charity*, PRIO Policy Brief 16. Oslo: PRIO.
- Erdal, M.B. (2015), *How Polish Migrants in Norway Consider Return Migration*, PRIO Policy Brief 12. Oslo: PRIO.
- Erdal, M.B. (2015), *Pakistan as a Return Migration Destination*, PRIO Policy Brief 13. Oslo: PRIO.
- Erdal, M.B. and Talleraas, C. (2015), *Becoming One of Us?* PRIO Policy Brief 11. Oslo: PRIO.
- Talleraas, C. and Erdal, M.B. (2015), *Contestations over National Identity and Diversity*, PRIO Policy Brief 10. Oslo: PRIO.
- Erdal, M.B. and Ezzati, R.T. (2015), Age, life cycle, and length of stay: Temporal perspectives on integration, PRIO Policy Brief 1. Oslo: PRIO.

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### Book reviews

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- Erdal, M.B. (2017), Migration and the Search for Home: Mapping domestic space in migrants' everyday lives, *Cultural Geographies*, 10.1177/1474474017732987 |
- Erdal, M.B. (2017), Immigration and membership politics in Western Europe, *Ethnic and Racial Studies*. DOI: 10.1080/01419870.2017.1
- Erdal, M.B. (2016), Dismantling diasporas: Rethinking geographies of diasporic identity, connection and development, *Social and Cultural Geography*. DOI: 10.1080/14649365.2016.1249102.
- Erdal, M.B. (2016), How immigrants impact their homelands, *Progress in Human Geography* 40(2): 290-291.
- Erdal, M.B. (2013), Handbook of research methods in migration, *International Migration Review* 47(2): 474-475.
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### Commissioned work

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- Diaspora development engagements and Norwegian development policy, Diskusjonsnotat [Development fund] (September-December 2015)
  - Expert report on 'Loss of citizenship' commissioned by the Ministry of Children, Equality and Inclusion (October-December 2014) attachment to government report on 'Loss of citizenship' (2015)
  - Migration and New Foreign Policy Realities, chapter for book edited by Norwegian Ministry of Foreign Affairs on new challenges for Norwegian foreign policy, including organizing a public event and writing a blog post in Norwegian, Migrasjon som utenrikspolitisk realitet: Muligheter og utfordringer ute og hjemme, (November 2012-May 2013)
  - Evaluation of Pilot Project Pakistan scheme for diaspora-development engagements for the Norwegian Agency for Development Cooperation (Norad) (Spring 2010)
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### Fieldwork experience

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- Data collection and fieldwork in Norway, semi-structured interviews and focus groups (ongoing)
  - Fieldwork experience in Norway, Pakistan, Poland, India and Sri Lanka including coordination, training and teamwork with researchers and research assistants (ongoing)
  - Coordination of Fieldwork network seminars at PRIO (2013-2014)
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### Organizational experience

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- Coordinator, Migration Research Group, PRIO (2015; 2016)
  - Strategy development Caritas Norway, advisory board member (2016)
  - Board member, Norwegian Centre for Humanitarian Studies, PRIO representative (2015-Present).
  - Deputy board member, Centre for the Study of Holocaust and Religious Minorities (2010-Present).
  - Member of PRIO committees: hiring committees for 5 PhDs (2010-2014); hiring committee for deputy director (Norwegian Association of Researchers (NAR) representative) (2015); hiring committee for open call for senior researchers (2016); Internal Pension Group Task Force (2015); Internal Reorganization Task Force (2011)
  - Member of Samarbeidsrådet for tros-og livssynssamfunn [Council of Religious and Life Stance Communities], representing Oslo Catholic Diocese (2009-Present)
  - PRIO-Forskerforbundet (NAR) board member (2013-2016)
  - PRIO deputy board member serving as staff representative, (2012-2014)
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### Supervision responsibilities

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#### *Supervision of PhD students working on research within RCN-funded projects*

- Rojan Tordhol Ezzati: Collective identities in post-terror Norway, co-supervised with Grete Brochmann (UiO) (2013-Present)
- Mette Strømsø: A spatial lens on the lived experience of national identity and diversity in Norway, co-supervised with Kristian Stokke (UiO) (2013-Present)

### *Supervision of MA students*

- Ulaş Korhan: Relationships Between Transnationalism and Integration: Comparing Pakistanis and Turks in Norway (2015-2017) (Peace and Conflict studies, Department of Political Science, University of Oslo)
- Sonja-Beate Egge: "God is a GPS for Life" Negotiating National Belonging and Christianity in Norway (2016-2017) (Department of Social Anthropology, University of Oslo)
- Brita Brekke: Making space for religion: A spatial analysis of the construction of two religious buildings in Oslo (2016-2017) (Department of Sociology and Human Geography, University of Oslo)
- Sandra Feride Demiri: Immigration, diversity and community: Nation-building in the King's New Year's speeches from 1960-2014 [in Norwegian] (2014-2015) (Department of Sociology and Human Geography, University of Oslo)
- Bjørnar Buxrud: 'We are a nation, we are': The 17 May speech as an integration arena [in Norwegian] (2014-2015) (Department of Sociology and Human Geography, University of Oslo)
- Cathrine Talleraas: The policy determinants of migration: What is the role of the Senegalese government in shaping patterns of migration from Senegal to Europe? (2013-2014) (Department of Sociology and Human Geography, University of Oslo)
- Ashley Allen: Norway's 2008 shift towards a more restrictive asylum policy: Policy dynamics and outcomes (2011-2012) (University of Stavanger)
- Sissel Gjennestad: From refugee to local population: A qualitative study of refugees in to peripheral municipalities [in Norwegian] (2010-2011) (Department of Sociology and Human Geography, University of Oslo)

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### **Teaching (undergraduate to post-graduate levels)**

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- Curricular development of Bachelor's-level course 'Introduction to migration and refugee studies', Bjørknes University College (Autumn 2016)
- 'New perspectives on transnational living', lecturer and discussant roles for PhD course, Maastricht University (October 2016)
- 'International migration, citizenship and the politics of belonging' lecturer for PhD course 'The politics of human mobility,' Department of Sociology and Human Geography, UiO (October 2015)
- 'Citizenship and mobility' lecture for PhD course 'The political geographies of citizenship', Department of Sociology and Human Geography, UiO (May 2015)
- 'Migration ABC', lecture for Bachelor's journalism course, Oslo and Akershus University College of Applied Sciences (HIOA) (March 2014; February 2015; March 2016)
- 'Theories of transnationalism' and 'Migration, development and remittances' Bachelor's-level lectures, Department of Sociology and Human Geography, UiO (March 2014; March 2015)
- Migration and ethnicity course lectures at Bjørknes University College (2009-2012)

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### **Examiner**

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- PhD evaluation committees: Katie Kuschminder, Maastricht University (2014); Eveline Odermatt, University of Sussex (2017); Karolina Nikielska-Sekula, University College of South-East Norway (2018);
- Examining Bachelor's- and Master's-level courses, Department of Sociology and Human Geography, UiO (2013-Present)
- External examiner of Master's dissertations, Department of Sociology and Human Geography, UiO (2009-Present)
- Appointed examiner at Department of Geography, UiB (2014-Present)
- External examiner Bachelor level, Bjørknes University College, 2017-
- External examiner Bachelor level, MF – Norwegian School of Theology, 2016-

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**Selected lectures and invited presentations**

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- Presenter and panelist at annual conference of upper secondary school teachers on 'Foundational values in Norwegian education', Oslo (November 2016)
- Panelist at debate on 'The politicization of freedom of religion or belief', Nobel Peace Centre, Oslo (October 2016)
- Speaker at Maihaugenkonferansen 2016 event gathering some 600 civil servants working on inclusion at the municipal level (May 2016)
- Speaker: 'Forced to leave?' International migration and ethnic relations seminar, University of Bergen (May 2016)
- Discussant on 'Migration, integration and alienation' at Kenan Malik's keynote, Oslo (May 2016)
- Panelist on 'How can education contribute to more peaceful coexistence in pluralistic societies?' Oslo (May 2016)
- Speaker at Sikkerhetskonferansen 2016 national security conference gathering several hundred attendees concerning private and public sector interests (March 2016)
- Presenter at conference on 'The roles of governments and other actors in leveraging diasporas for development', Lahore School of Economics, Pakistan (February 2016)
- Presenter of 'Diaspora contributing to development 'here' and 'there'? at Partnership for Change conference, Oslo (May 2015)
- Speaker at Diaspora and development conference, organized by diaspora and development consortium DiaGram (Comic Relief, Danish Refugee Council, Development Fund, GIZ), Copenhagen (November 2015)
- Presenter at Diaspora and development and Norwegian foreign and development policy seminar, Development Fund, Oslo (December 2015)
- Speaker at Statsborgerskap, migrasjon og transnasjonalisme [Citizenship, migration and transnationalism], presentation at the Ministry of Children, Equality and Inclusion (June 2014)
- Speaker at Migration and development conference, Caritas Norway, Oslo (2013)

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**Organized workshops and conference panels**

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- Pakistani migration and transnationalism workshop, PRIO, co-organized with Jørgen Carling (PRIO) (January 2010)
- Migrant transnationalism, integration and place, Royal Geographical Society (with the Institute of British Geographers) (RGS-IBG) conference, co-organized with Ceri Oeppen (University of Sussex) (August 2010)
- Integration and transnationalism: How are the two connected? IMISCOE conference, Warsaw, co-organized with Jørgen Carling (PRIO) (June 2011)
- Return migration and transnationalism: Alternatives or complements? PRIO, co-organized with Jørgen Carling (PRIO) (September 2012)
- Migrant integration and transnationalism in contemporary Europe, PRIO, co-organized with Maastricht University and Erasmus University Rotterdam (October 2013)
- Religion in the migration-development nexus? Co-production and negotiation across transnational social space, RGS-IBG, co-organized with Kaja Borchgrevink (PRIO) (August 2014)
- Migration, transnationalism and Catholicism, Middlesex University, co-organized with Dominic Pasura (University of Glasgow) (February 2015)
- Religion, migration, and transnational practices, American Association of Geographers (AAG) conference, co-organized with Heidi Østbø Haugen (UiO) (April 2015)
- Governing migrant transnationalism, IMISCOE conference, Geneva, co-organized with Özge Bilgili (Maastricht University) and Godfried Engbersen (Erasmus University Rotterdam) (June 2015)
- Scales of citizenship: Critical geographies of citizen engagements, RGS-IBG conference, co-organized with Cathrine Brun (NTNU/Brookes University, Oxford) (September 2015)
- Lived experiences of the everyday nation, PRIO, co-organized with Mette Strømsø (PRIO) (June 2016)
- Negotiating diversity, Nordic Migration Research (NMR) conference, Oslo (August 2016)

- Managing Afghan migration: Between 'the war on terror' and 'the refugee crisis', NMR conference, Oslo, co-organized with Mikkel Rytter (Aarhus University) and Ceri Oeppen (University of Sussex) (August 2016)
- Mobilizing value across time and space, RGS-IBG conference, co-organized with Jørgen Carling (PRIO) (August 2016)
- Researching citizenship, RGS-IBG conference, co-organized with Cathrine Brun (Brookes University, Oxford) (August 2016).
- Roundtable: Beyond compatibility in research on the interactions of migrant transnationalism and integration, IMISCOE conference, co-organized with Özge Bilgili (Utrecht University), (June 2017)
- Complexity and the everyday nation, RGS-IBG conference, co-organized with Mette Strømsø (PRIO), (August 2017).
- Negotiating the nation: Implications of ethnic and religious diversity for national identity (Final conference) (UiO/PRIO) (November 2017).

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### Opinion pieces in newspapers and blog posts

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- Opinion pieces, op-eds and comments in Norwegian newspapers *Aftenposten*, *BT (Bergens Tidende)*, *Dagens Næringsliv*, *Dagbladet*, *Dagsavisen*, *Klassekampen*, *Vårt Land*, *VG (Verdens Gang)*, and Norwegian national broadcaster NRK. Opinion pieces also on NRK Ytring and the PRIO blog.
- Bangstad, S., Erdal, M.B., Østby, L. (2017), Hvem snakker for oss – og dem? [Who is speaking on behalf of us – and them?] *VG* 30 December.
- Borchgrevink, K. and Erdal, M.B. (2017), Muslimske medmenneskelighet [Muslim humaneness], *Dagbladet* 30 June. <http://www.dagbladet.no/kultur/muslimsk-medmenneskelighet/68381043>
- Erdal, M.B. and Midtbøen, A.H. (2017), Å frata folk statsborgerskapet går utover den enkeltes rettssikkerhet [Revoking citizenship has consequences for individual's sense of legal security], *Dagbladet* 5 April. <http://www.dagbladet.no/kultur/a-frata-folk-statsborgerskapet-gar-ut-over-den-enkeltes-rettssikkerhet/67459001>
- Erdal, M.B. (2017), Etnisk norsk er ingen absolutt størrelse [Ethnic Norwegian is not an absolute category], *Dagbladet* 9 March. <http://www.dagbladet.no/kultur/etnisk-norsk-er-ingen-absolutt-storrelse/67380359>
- Erdal, M.B. (2017), Hvem godtar vi som «norske»? [Who do we accept as Norwegian?], *Aftenposten* 13 March. <https://www.aftenposten.no/meninger/debatt/i/xownR/-Hvem-godtar-vi-som-norske--Marta-Bivand-Erdal>
- Erdal, M.B. and Strømsø, M. (2016), Hva er norskhet? [What is Norwegianness?], *VG (Verdens Gang)* 17 January. <http://www.vg.no/nyheter/meninger/rasisme/hva-er-norskhet/a/23900308>.
- Erdal, M.B. (2016), Senterpartiets og andre partiers uklare syn på statsborgeren [The Norwegian Centre Party and other parties' inconsistent view of the citizen], *Vårt Land* 21 September. <http://www.verdidebatt.no/categories/1044/threads/11659971>.
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