



## CURRICULUM VITAE

**NAME:** **Katja Gregers Brock**

Birth date: 7<sup>th</sup> October 1981

Nationality: Danish

E-mail: [katjagregers@skadkaer.dk](mailto:katjagregers@skadkaer.dk)

Telph: +4535361915

Cell: +4523271915

## Specialisation

- Extensive knowledge of the Arab world
- Women issues
- Civil society
- Development in conflict-affected situations

## Work experience

**2009** **Consultant, Skadkær Consult.** Participates presently in an extensive review of Partnership for Progress and Reform (Det Arabiske Initiativ) for the Danish Ministry of Foreign Affairs

**2008** **Assistant / Junior Consultant at SELA Advisory Group** (6 months). SELA is a development consultancy which works primarily in the Middle East with Danish and local NGOs as their primary clients. I assisted in writing proposals, project documents and conducting meeting with clients. As Junior Consultant I participated in an extensive Review on MS' Youth DEMENA Pool, where I conducted interviews in Denmark, and assisted desk studies and the finalisation of the review. For reference, please contact Olga Ege, [ege@selaadvisorygroup.com](mailto:ege@selaadvisorygroup.com)

**2006- 2007** **Assistant at Department for the Middle East and Northern Africa, Ministry of Foreign Affairs** (1 year). I was connected to the Partnership for Progress and Reform (Det Arabiske Initiativ), which gave me a thorough overview of the projects and programmes in the MENA region as well as an

insight the major political, economic and developmental trends in the region. For reference, please contact Stefan Kovacs, [stekov@um.dk](mailto:stekov@um.dk) or Eva Raabyemagle, [evaraa@um.dk](mailto:evaraa@um.dk)

**2006 Assistant at Images of the Middle East** (2 weeks). Responsible for a photo exhibition by contemporary Middle Eastern artists. For reference, please contact Michael Irving Jensen, [middleeastawareness@webspeed.dk](mailto:middleeastawareness@webspeed.dk)

**2006 Internship in UNDP Egypt** (6 months). Working under the Democratic Governance portfolio. As intern I assisted project formulation, implementation, monitoring and evaluation and budgeting for projects such as '*Capacity Building of the Members of the Peoples Assembly*', '*Support to the Centre for the Political Empowerment of Women*' and '*Gender Mainstreaming*'.

Moreover, I participated in the negotiation with national counterparts, donors, other UN agencies and NGOs, applying the methods of Results Based Management, Human Rights Based Approach, and the corporate policies of the UN. For reference please contact Ms. Naglaa Arafa, [naglaa.arafa@undp.org](mailto:naglaa.arafa@undp.org)

**2005- 2006 Assistant at Danish Institute for International Studies (DIIS)** Publication and Information Department. Proof reading, editing, lay-out and other tasks connected to the publication of DIIS Working Papers, Report, books and the periodical Den Ny Verden. For reference, please contact Jesper Linell, [jl@diis.dk](mailto:jl@diis.dk)

**2004- 2006 Secretary in Danish Association for Development Researchers (FAU).** Office work, preparation of conferences, editing the newsletter FAU Nyt and the Report '*Reconstructing Post Conflict Societies – Challenges and Possibilities*' (can be found at [www.fau.dk](http://www.fau.dk)). For reference please contact Ms. Annette Skovsted Hansen, [ostash@hum.au.dk](mailto:ostash@hum.au.dk).

## Education

**2008 MA, International Development Studies (RUC).** Dissertation: "Agents of Change? A study of why young *Egyptian women engage voluntarily in civil society organisations*" Supervisor: Connie Carøe Christiansen. Mark: 12.

Scholarship as Masters Student at Danish Institute for International Studies, Department for Religion, Social Conflict and the Middle East

2007 Courses: '*Gender, Organisation and Management*' and '*Religion and Globalisation – Understanding Religion in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century*', Institute of Sociology Copenhagen University.

2007 Public Administration, Roskilde University (RUC). With particular focus on the Danish Asylum law and policy.

2005 Courses: '*Democratisation of the Middle East and Northern Africa*', Carsten Niebuhr Institute, '*Culture and Society*', Saxo Institute (Copenhagen University)

**2005 BA, International Development Studies (RUC).** Dissertation: "*Post-Conflict Reconstruction – A Window of Opportunity*". Supervisor: Helene Maria Kyed. Mark: 11

## Courses and Conferences

2008 Gender Basic Course, Copenhagen. Arranged by Gendernet

- 2007 Leadership towards the Elimination of all Forms of Violence against Women, Amman, Jordan. United Nations University International Leadership Institute (UNU-ILI)
- 2006 Call for Coherence Conference - How to achieve coherence in EU development policies. Helsinki, Finland. Arranged by Finish EU-presidency.

## Reports of relevance

- 2008 *Agents of Change? A study of why young Egyptian women engage voluntarily in civil society organisations* (Master Thesis). Supervisor: Connie Carøe Christiansen. Mark: 12.
- 2008 *Gender and gender equality in political organisations* (Køn og ligestilling i politiske organisationer) (Sociology, Copenhagen University). Mark: 10
- 2007 *Limits for lean? An analysis of the implementation of lean in the Danish Asylum Administration* (Public Administration, RUC). Mark: 9
- 2006 *Partnership for progress and reform*. Discussions on the governmentality applied in partnership for progress and reform. Mark: 11
- 2005 *Partnership for progress and reform*. Theoretical discussions on how to enhance dialogue between Denmark and the Arab countries. (Copenhagen University). Mark: 9
- 2005 *The World Bank's Community-Driven Reconstruction approach as a means to stabilize post-conflict countries*. An Analysis of the increasing focus on security in development contexts and the application the concept of 'community' in policies. (International Development Studies, RUC). Mark: 11
- 2004 *The Status of the Developmental State* – theoretical discussions of the role of the developmental state in the creation of economic development (International Development Studies, RUC). Mark: 10

## Voluntary work in Danish Association for International Co-operation (MS)

- 2005 Co-organizer of 'Global Girl Festival 2005' & 'Girl Festival 2004, Copenhagen. Two big festivals for 500 ethnic minority girls. The festivals aimed at expanding the consciousness of 'being-a-girl' in a global perspective to young women from ethnic minority groups' and introducing the girls to Danish Associations. Furthermore, the festival created a framework for networking and sharing of experiences. (For reference, please contact Sameena Basharat, [sameena@vision.dk](mailto:sameena@vision.dk))
- 2005-2007 Presentations at Danish high schools about travelling with MS, cultural exchange and cultural globalisation. Young students as the target group.
- 2001-2004 Member of the Exchange Commission. Development and evaluation of the exchange programme of MS.
- 2004 Leader of an International Workcamp, Silkeborg, Denmark (MS).
- 2003 Leader of International Workcamp, Nuuk, Greenland (MS).

- 2002 Participant in an International Workcamp, Ilulissat, Greenland (MS)
- 2001 Voluntary work in India and Nepal (MS). Planting fruit trees Indian Himalayas and living in a Tibetan Refugee camp in Kathmandu (Nepal).

## Languages

Danish	Native language
English	Fluent
Arabic (Egyptian)	Basic conversational level
German	Intermediate conversational level
French	Basic conversational level