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Curriculum Vitae

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PRESENTATION

I'm a political scientist with an interest in European politics, international intelligence affairs and political risk management. I have a PhD in political science from Lund University, Sweden, and have held research positions at Harvard's Kennedy School of Government and at the European University Institute. Since 2011 I'm serving as research fellow at the Swedish Institute of International Affairs where I have also been heading the European research program and been the manager of several international projects. Current projects include drafting a European global strategy (www.euglobalstrategy.eu), assessing the foreign policy implications of the euro crisis and analyzing how public and private organizations make decisions under political uncertainty.

Apart from academic research, I regularly write commissioned reports within my fields of expertise, give presentations to public and private audiences and frequently offer comments to Swedish as well as international media.

Areas of expertise: European Union, euro crisis, EU foreign policy, international political economy, intelligence, counter-terrorism, political risk analysis, international security.

Skills: Research, independent and group writing, public speaking and presentations, management.

EMPLOYMENTS AND PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCES

Swedish Institute of International Affairs (UI), Stockholm

- International Project Manager, European Global Strategy, 2013
- Head of the European Research Program, spring 2013
- Research fellow, 2011-

Freelance consultancy work, Stockholm

- Political risk analysis for public and private enterprises, 2010-

European University Institute, Florens

- Visiting Scholar, fall 2009

Harvard University, Kennedy School of Government, Boston

- Research fellow, full year of 2007

Lund University, Lund

- Associate lecturer, 2006-2010, taught courses on international relations and foreign policy analysis
- Study adviser, 2005

Swedish Armed Forces, Vaxholm

- Employed after military service as instructor in anti-submarine warfare for Swedish and foreign officers, 2000

EDUCATION

Lund University Dec 2010	Doctor of Political Science with the thesis <i>Sharing Secrets – Explaining International Intelligence Cooperation</i> .
Wolkswagen Stiftung and Riksbankens Jubileumsfond 2008-2010	Elected fellow of the European Foreign and Security Policy Studies Program (EFSPSP) for the advancement of young intellectual leaders in Europe.
Harvard University 2007	Coursework on US Foreign and Security Policy.
Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy 2007	Coursework on Security Policy in Central Asia.
Université de Sorbonne 2004	French studies after having received the Swedish-French Foundation's scholarship.
Lund University 2003-2004	Master of Political Science; the master's thesis addressed transparency and power in IGOs. Grade: High pass.
University of Wales, Aberystwyth Fall 2002	Intelligence and Espionage Studies, European Politics, and War, Strategy and Politics.

KNOWLEDGE OF LANGUAGES

Swedish	Rich experience of academic as well as professional presentation, written and oral.
English	Fluently, written and oral. Toefl score: 667 out of 676
German	Some knowledge, written and oral.
French	Some knowledge, written and oral.

AWARDS AND SCHOLARSHIPS

2013	Listed as one of Sweden's 101 "Supertalents" by the weekly business magazine <i>Veckans Affärer</i> .
2009	Vitterhetsakademien: Wallenbergs fond, Helge Ax:son Johnsons stiftelse
2006	Sixten Gemzeus scholarship for talented youths, Crafoord foundation for Graduate Scholarship, Swedish EU research network, Karl Staaf Foundation, Hierta Foundation
2005	Faculty Travel grant, Lund University, Crafoord foundation for Graduate Scholarship
2004	Swedish – French Association language scholarship
2003	Lund University High Grade Scholarship

2002 Crafoord foundation – Undergraduate Scholarship

BOOKS, CHAPTERS AND PEER REVIEWED ARTICLES

- 2014 **The foreign policy implications of the euro crisis – lessons from crisis management and international trade.** *European Foreign Affairs Review*. Vol X
- 2014 **International Intelligence and National Security**, monograph under 3rd phase of review at Cambridge University Press.
- 2014 **European Intelligence**, book chapter in *The Future of Intelligence*, Routledge, March 2014.
- 2013 **Securing European Influence in Times of Change – the European Global Strategy**, Rome/Madrid/Stockholm/Warsaw, ISBN: 978-91-7507-205-0.
- 2010 **Sharing Secrets – Explaining International Intelligence Cooperation**, Lund Political Studies 161.
- 2010 **Bureaucratic resistance to international intelligence cooperation – the case of Europol.** *Intelligence and National Security*. Issue 25:4, Routledge.
- 2009 **European Intelligence Cooperation – Drivers, Interests and Institutions.** Stockholm: Utrikespolitiska institutet. ISSN 1654-0700.
- 2003 **Convention Watch 2nd ed.** Author of the Swedish chapter. Brussels: TEPSA reports.

POPULAR SCIENCE AND COMMENTARY

- 2012 **Swedish EU leadership or why beggars can't be choosers.** Opinion piece published at the European Council of Foreign relations webpage ecfr.eu.
- 2011 **Så kan Sverige påverka EU.** Op-ed in Sydsvenska dagbladet, 7 December.
- 2011 **Har militären lättare för internationellt samarbete?** Essay published in the Armed Services monthly magazine (officerstidningen), June.
- 2011 **Bättre utan Bryssel.** Essay published in the monthly magazine NEO, nr 1:2011.
- 2008 **Mer underrättelsesamarbete med nytt EU-fördrag?** published in the SIIA:s periodical *Internationella Studier* nr 1: 2008.
- 2004 **WTO och världshandels framtid**, published in the SIIA:s periodical *Internationella Studier* nr 3: 2004.
- 2003 **The Battle of the Future of Europe has Begun**, published in Lunds Foreign Policy Association's magazine *Utrikesperspektiv*.
- 2002 **Svenska politiker i Europeiska partier**, published in the SIIA:s periodical *Internationella Studier* nr 3: 2002
- 2002 **Giving Europe a Soul – Discussing European Identity**, published in Lunds Foreign Policy Association's magazine *Utrikesperspektiv*.

COMMISSIONED RESEARCH AND CONSULTANCY REPORTS

- 2013 **Towards a European Global Strategy.** Report to the foreign ministers of Italy, Poland, Spain and Sweden.
- 2012 **Europeisk reglering av försvarsmaterielområdet.** Report ordered by the Swedish Defence Materiel Administration in 2011 and then u. Lead author and project manager.
- 2012 **European foreign policy and the eurozone crisis – A Swedish perspective.** Report ordered by the Swedish Ministry of Foreign Affairs. Lead author and project manager.
- 2012 **Directions in European economic governance.** Presentation and discussion material for the Stena Line Consortium's International Economic Forum.