# **CV and Statement**

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#### Statement

I would like to be a member of the executive of IFSW Europe because I find the international partnership very important. And even more important know considering the times we are living in, with war in Europe, climate change and environmental problems, rise of more and more right-wing politicians in high governmental positions. All these issues and problems are highly relevant for social workers. We see that EU and NATO is more and more important. It is important that social workers stand together, and that IFSW Europe continues to build bonds and to have influence in Europe. I would like to be a part of that, and to contribute as best as I can. I am especially interested in the social work profession, social policies, green social work, ethics, and LHBTQ-issues.

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Education

2010-2013: Master's degree in social work, Oslo University College

2003-2006: Bachelor's degree in social work, Oslo University College

### Work experience

2014-current job: Political advisor in the Norwegian Union of Social Workers (FO). Work with health care and social policy. Social work profession policy. Tasks involve investigation, analysis, input on various health, social and professional policy topics. Written work involves consultation responses and other input to the government and directorates, speech writing, presentations, chronicles, and articles, etc. Follow-up of member inquiries. Project work, arranging conferences and other events. Teaching at college/university, course activities. Other representation. International work. Followup of committees and councils in the organization.

2006-2014: Social Worker at Pro Sentret – the Norwegian national center of expertise on sex work. Tasks involved follow-up of users, outreach work in the streets, and online, reporting and statistics, environmental work, dissemination of knowledge to other initiatives/organizations. Topics I worked with were mainly substance abuse/mental health, questions about human trafficking and asylum/residence, male sex work, gender, sexuality and STI's.