INSTITUTE FOR SOCIAL RESEARCH



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1.1 ABOUT THE INSTITUTE

The Institute for Social Research is an independent research foundation, founded in Oslo in 1950.

Objectives

The Institute for Social Research shall be at the forefront of research on society, politics and working life.

Mission

The Institute for Social Research unites basic and applied research.

Values

Our research is independent, innovative, relevant and of a high academic standard.

- The Institute is organised into four research groups. Pål Schøne heads the Work and welfare research group; Liza Reisel heads the Equal opportunities, integration, migration research group; Kari Steen-Johnsen heads the Politics, democracy, civil society research group; and Anne Skevik Grødem heads the Welfare policy research group.
- In 2015, until 31 January 2016, the Institute's Director was Ann-Helén Bay. Anne Kari Lande Hasle was acting Director from 1 February 2016 to 19 April 2016. Tanja Storsul became the Institute's new Director on 20 April 2016.
- The Administration Manager until September 2015 was Yngve Davidsen. He went on leave in September and Tove Sollunn took over as Administration Manager for the period while he was away.



1.2 A WORD FROM THE DIRECTOR

Social challenges and research quality

The Institute for Social Research celebrated its 65th anniversary in 2015. Since the Institute was founded, we have contributed academic knowledge in areas of importance to the development of society.

2015 was a good year for the Institute, with many new projects, a high rate of publication and active dissemination. The Institute's finances are strong and provide a sound basis for growth and further recruitment.

The research conducted by the Institute looks at key societal challenges. Our new projects in 2015 look at issues such as limits on freedom of speech, the integration of second-generation immigrants and gender differences in professional and sector mobility. In these areas, the Institute is contributing high-quality research-based knowledge.

This combination of social relevance and research quality characterises the work of the Institute. Within the landscape of research policy, where national and European research authorities are looking to research to solve the major challenges facing society today, this gives us an excellent strategic starting point.

At the Institute for Social Research, we are proud that our research makes a difference and that our results are accorded emphasis in both policy formulation and public debate. We are actively working to disseminate our findings and analyses to decision-makers and the general public through seminars, reports, columns and newspaper articles, journals and books. At the same time, the basis for all our work is that we maintain a high level of academic quality. We therefore place great emphasis on ensuring that our research is published in peer-reviewed publications and forums.

The Institute has many good and productive years behind it, but it also faces challenges. For example, the structural changes taking place within the research



and education sector are altering our framework conditions, and requirements regarding EU financing are becoming stricter. In 2015, the Institute made good progress in further developing its organisation in order to meet such challenges.

As the new head of the Institute for Social Research, I look forward to continuing this work, whilst at the same time ensuring that we continue to deliver high-quality socially relevant research.

Tanja Storsul Director

1.3 THE BOARD'S REPORT

The Institute for Social Research (ISF) was founded in 1950. The Institute's vision today, as when it was founded, is to develop social research to contribute to a better society. Our mission is to act as a meeting place for fundamental and applied research. The research is of consistently high academic quality and is aimed at producing knowledge and understanding concerning pressing problems within society.

Over time, the Institute has developed a research portfolio that reflects key challenges in society within social life, politics and working life. In 2015, the Institute was awarded three major projects under the Research Council of Norway's Welfare, Migration and Work programme. Thematically, these projects range from the integration of immigrants' descendants and the transition between education and work, to the Norwegian welfare mix from a comparative perspective. The projects reflect the Institute's social relevance and academic quality.

In 2015, the Institute began an internal strategic initiative aimed at equipping the organisation to meet the changes taking place around it and in the framework conditions, with a focus on orienting the organisation towards greater internationalisation regarding funding and requirements regarding research collaboration. The work to implement new information systems such as CRIStin and improve the ability of the administration to communicate in an increasingly complex digital public administration has been stepped up. As a result of the restructuring of the research organisation in 2014, and to safeguard the Institute's leadership expertise, an internal management development programme has been carried out with the assistance of Deloitte.

It has certainly been a productive research year. The Institute's researchers have authored, co-authored or edited eight books and 83 scientific articles in Norwegian and international journals or anthologies. A total of 10 seminars were organised, and the Institute's researchers were responsible for seven major conferences which were arranged externally. In addition, popular scientific dissemination takes place in various forums, including 21 opinion pieces and articles in Norwegian newspapers. Two of our fellows defended their theses during the year and had their theses approved.

In partnership with Universitetsforlaget, the Institute publishes Tidsskrift for samfunnsforskning (four volumes per year) and Søkelys på arbeidslivet (three volumes per year).

The Institute had 51.94 full-time equivalents in 2015, of which 37.27 were research full-time equivalents. As of 31 December 2015, the Institute employed 65 people. A total of 57 were employed in scientific positions, of whom nine were assistants and seven were in temporary posts. The research staff consists of 53.19 percent women and 46.81 percent men. The administration comprises 62.50 percent women and 37.50 percent men. The Institute owns Munthesgate 31 / Fuglehauggaten 6 and its associated building complex, which houses the Institute's offices and common areas and some offices, which are let out.

Sick leave in 2015 was 2.5 percent. No occupational injuries or accidents were reported. The Institute's activities do not pollute the external environment.

Total turnover in 2015 amounted to NOK 81,127,325. Ordinary net income shows a profit of NOK 1,497,148 before tax and NOK 1,354,706 after tax.

The Institute's finances are sound and, in the opinion of the Board, the Institute remains a going concern.

Eivind Smith - Chair

Oslo, 14 March 2016

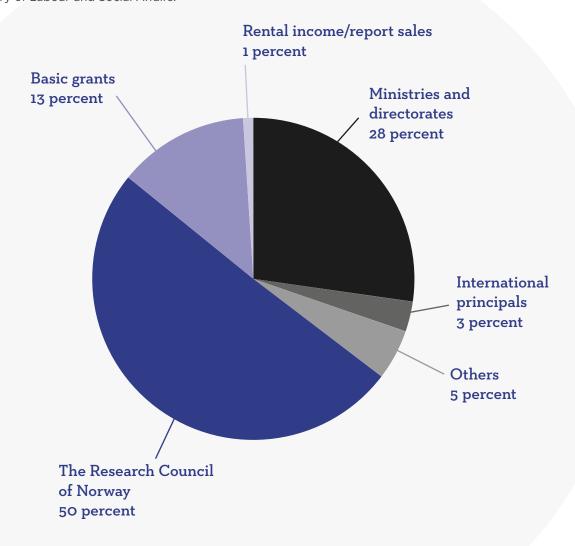
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KEY FIGURES

2.1 INCOME

The high proportion of projects which are funded by the Research Council of Norway (NFR) emphasises the Institute's pivotal academic position within its specialist fields.

The NFR projects' share of the turnover has risen from 44 percent in 2014 to 50 percent in 2015. Basic grants account for 13 percent of turnover. Of the government ministries, the biggest principals were the Ministry of Culture, the Ministry of Children and Equality, the Ministry of Local Government and Modernisation and the Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs.



2.2 ACCOUNTS

Profit and loss account per 31.12.2015

	2015	2014
Operating income and operating costs	Full NOK	Full NOK
Basic funding	10,577,001	10,587,000
Projects	69,970,084	63,661,849
Other operating income	580,240	1,137,567
Total operating income	81,127,325	75,386,416
Payroll expenses, etc.	44,159,028	32,333,761
Depreciation and amortisation of buildings, land, operating assets	543,258	649,433
Projects and operating costs	35,423,556	34,951,050
Total operating costs	80,125,842	67,934,245
Operating result	1,001,483	7,452,171
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Balance sheet as at 31.12.2015

Assets	2015	
Fixed assets		
Tangible assets		
Land and buildings	18,899,000	19,317,600
Operating movable property, inventory and other equipment	612,834	684,700
Total tangible assets	19,511,834	20,002,300
Current assets		
Receivables		
Accounts receivable	4,181,793	4,715,941
Other receivables	2,035,538	1,085,326
Total receivables	6,217,331	5,801,268
Shares and participations	10,361,888	-
Bank deposits	45,399,907	45,306,319
Total current assets	61,979,125	51,107,587
Total assets	81,490,959	71,109,887
Equity and liabilities Equity		
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RESEARCH STUDIES

3.1 WORK

There is broad political agreement that working life is just as important for the functioning of society as it is for the welfare and living conditions of every individual. Participation in working life provides income and thereby financial independence. Many people consider working life to be an important arena for self-realisation and development.

In 2015, we conducted research into many issues. The importance of migration for the Norwegian labour market is a key aspect of our research relating to working life. We also carried out research into how having young children affects gender segregation between the public and private sectors, and we studied gender differences in the returns from education.

Among the other issues we have looked at is how pay differences and inequality arise between and within businesses. We have studied the transition between education and work in the Nordic countries and we have analysed the impact of gender roles on the academic grades and educational choices of girls and boys at upper secondary school. In 2015, we also studied the scope and effects of employers' initiatives aimed at employees with poor health and how these measures impact on sick leave and disability.

We also conducted research into male overrepresentation in senior positions within Norwegian industry. Among other things, our analyses show that regulation of the gender balance in company boards has done little to promote either women's career opportunities or the recruitment of women to senior positions in these enterprises.

3.2 WELFARE

State benefits and public sector service production are of vital importance in how people in Norway live their lives. Changes in welfare policy play a decisive role in the development of society. At the Institute for Social Research, we study the political, social and economic driving forces behind the development of the welfare state.

We are currently carrying out projects that look at the political processes behind reforms in key benefit schemes such as retirement pensions and health-related benefits. We are also studying the attitudes of the general population to welfare policy. Another key theme is privatisation and the contracting out of welfare services to competitive tender. In the Nordic countries, major changes have taken place in the interaction between public sector, commercial and non-profit service production. We want to place a spotlight on the effects of alternative models and pathway choices based on the ideal of active citizenship.

We are also studying the effects of welfare policy. Among the questions we are trying to find answers to are: Do labour market initiatives work? What consequences does the pension reform have for financial sustainability and income protection in old age? How

do the benefit schemes impact on the availability of work and demand amongst businesses for labour with low qualifications? What effects do different inclusion initiatives have for immigrants?

The Institute has two projects that form part of the Research Council of Norway's evaluation of the pension reform, where we are looking at both the distributional effects of the reform and the political processes that made the reform possible. A major new project concerning immigration and attitudes towards welfare began in 2015. Another project with a similar theme is nearing conclusion. Researchers at the Institute are also conducting a Scandinavian comparative project that looks at how welfare policy, the distribution of contracts to the public sector, private sector and non-profit welfare service providers and active citizen roles are interlinked.

3.3 EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES

Equal opportunity developments represent one of the biggest social and economic advances of our age. Women are now almost as active in the labour market and in politics as men, and an increasing number of women are now financially independent. Men are also increasingly involved in housework and caring for their own children.

Research into equal opportunities and gender differences in the light of welfare policy, the labour market, family life and integration has been pivotal at the Institute for Social Research since the 1960s. In our research, we are interested in how gender is intertwined with other inequalities, such as ethnic background, age, class and functional ability. The research concerning equal opportunities conducted by the Institute also focuses on issues that extend beyond Norway's borders. In Autumn 2015, research into the Europeanisation of Norwegian equal opportunities policy and the export of Norwegian equal opportunities policy were the themes of an academic workshop.

The third year of the Centre for Research on Gender Equality (CORE) was characterised by book publica-

tions, new and exciting research projects and popular science debate. During the coming year, CORE will establish a measuring instrument to monitor trends in the gender balance in the top layer of Norwegian industry. Over the coming years, we are also planning to contribute equal opportunity perspectives to the research being conducted into the current refugee situation and integration processes.

We are also involved in the new Leadership survey and in 2016 we will analyse the attitudes of Norwegian senior managers towards equal opportunities and ethnic diversity. We are particularly interested in determining levels of agreement on particular issues and how attitudes vary between the elite groups and between men and women within these groups.

3.4 MIGRATION AND INTEGRATION

International migration entails people crossing national borders and settling in new countries. Migrants often have vital skills and bring cultural, social and financial resources with them from their home countries.

In 2015, we contributed to research into migration and integration within a wide variety of fields. We studied the importance of migration policy regarding migration flows. We conducted research into assisted return, measures aimed at combating arranged marriages, child asylum-seekers and the victims of human trafficking. We also contributed studies looking at participation among ethnic minorities in public debate, as well as studies of how irregular migration is being debated in the Norwegian, French and US media.

The research into migration and integration being conducted at the Institute for Social Research is also closely linked to inclusion and exclusion processes in education and working life. We have studied how immigration affects the choices made by Norwegian adolescents regarding education, whether immigrants

are "lubricating" the labour market by being more flexible than Norwegians when they lose their jobs, and whether employment immigration from Eastern Europe contributes to the development of "immigrant niches" in certain areas of the labour market.

Studies that link immigration and the welfare state have been a particular area of focus in recent years. We have also recently studied migration and integration from a household, generation and family perspective.

In the years to come, the Institute will continue to develop migration and integration research by linking equal opportunities, the voluntary sector, the labour market and welfare policy to the challenges stemming from the increasing numbers of migrants in Norway and Europe.

3.5 ELECTIONS AND DEMOCRACY

Electoral research is a particularly important part of the Institute's research profile. For many decades, several key contributions to this field of research have come from researchers at the Institute for Social Research. Today, this research is more extensive than ever before and covers all democratic political elections in Norway.

In 2015, an innovative research project was carried out with the aim of gaining a new understanding of participation in elections. The Institute for Social Research conducted a series of experiments aimed at mobilising citizens to vote in the 2015 election. The results of this project will be published in 2016.

We also conducted the sixth local election survey. This survey was expanded to include an election campaign study, which followed a panel of voters through the weeks leading up to the election in September 2015. The results of the survey will be published in a book that will be published in the Spring of 2017.

A number of publications from studies of the Sami Parliament elections in 2013 are in preparation and will be published in 2016. International collaboration regarding indigenous people's participation and more general representation led to publication of the book "Indigenous Politics: Institutions, Representation, Mobilisation" in 2015.

Norwegian democracy is an arena for various investigations where democratic innovations are tested, for example, online elections and the right of 16-year olds to vote. Both of these experiments have been evaluated by research groups led by the Institute for Social Research. The results of the latest evaluation of the right of 16-year olds to vote in the local election in 2015 will be published in November 2016.

Municipal reform is a pivotal theme in Norwegian local democracy, and the Institute is studying the current reform process. A report concerning leadership and participation in the municipal mergers was published in 2015. The Institute is also participating in a major research project looking at municipal reform.

3.6 CIVIL SOCIETY

For many years, the Institute for Social Research has been conducting research into civil society and voluntary organisation. This research encompasses both institutional changes and economic framework conditions, such as changes in the affiliation of individuals to voluntary organisations.

Since 2008, much of the civil society research conducted by the Institute for Social Research has been carried out within the framework of the Centre for Research on Civil Society and Voluntary Sector. During the period 2008-2013, the Centre carried out a total of 35 research projects and published 38 reports, 41 scientific articles and six books.

In 2013, it was decided to continue the work of the Centre through to 2017. The new research programme has three main themes: prerequisites for participation, civil society and the voluntary sector in change, as well as funding schemes and other framework conditions.

In 2015, the Centre also strengthened its popular science dissemination through a new series of publica-

tions called *Hovedfunn* (Key findings). This series comprises brief summaries of key results from various research projects. In 2015, six such publications were produced, covering a variety of topics.

Research within civil society was also strengthened in 2013 through the award of a major EU project which will improve our understanding of how the voluntary sector can contribute to socio-economic development in Europe. In the course of the project, entitled "Third Sector Impact" (TSI), 25 researchers from ten European universities and research institutes will work with experts and representatives of the voluntary and non-profit sector to answer these questions.

3.7 DIGITAL MEDIA

In recent years, digital media has emerged as a key research theme at the Institute for Social Research. Developments have been driven by an ever-increasing need for knowledge concerning the importance of digital media for politics, democracy and public debate, both nationally and locally.

Our twin ambitions are to assess digital media from a political and democratic angle and to understand the consequences of the changes taking place. Themes include how political parties and politicians use social media and whether social media impacts on the political engagement of the general population. The research also looks in more detail at changes in public debate – who is dominating, who is being left out and what are the democratic implications of the development of a digital public administration? As part of this, we are also looking at the nature of debates and the occurrence of fragmentation and echo chambers in the public space.

The research being conducted into digital media is also linked to the Institute's research within the field of politics and elections. In connection with the Parliamentary elections of 2013, the use of social media by voters is covered through a number of questions in the election survey. In addition, in 2014 we presented a study of the role of Twitter in the 2013 Parliamentary elections, where Twitter data were analysed and categorised according to which parties, candidates and themes were dominant. The use of social media by local and national parties in election campaigns is a theme that we will follow up over time.

Within the framework of the Centre for Research on Civil Society and Voluntary Sector (2013-2017), we are also looking at the role played by digital media in mobilising social engagement among citizens, both nationally and locally, and how local voluntary organisations and informal networks use digital media.



INTERNATIONALISATION



4.1 INTERNATIONALISATION

The Institute's current strategy for 2012-2015 places great emphasis on participation in international research collaboration. The strategy includes the goal of increasing the element of comparative research, facilitating international network-building and stimulating participation in application processes aimed at the EU and other international financing sources.

The Institute is coordinating the "Third Sector Impact" project, which is funded under the EU's seventh framework programme. The project – which is being led by the Institute for Social Research – will be carried out in collaboration with 13 other research institutions in Europe over a period of three years. The aim of this research project is to develop an understanding of how the voluntary sector can contribute to socio-economic development in Europe.

The Institute is also participating in the EU-financed European Social Policy Network, the European Foundations for Research and Innovation study (EUFORI) and COST Action Local Public Sector Reforms: An International Comparison (LocRef). The Institute currently collaborates with international partners concerning research projects funded by the Research Council of Norway, participates in networks, carries out expert assignments, participates at conferences, holds a variety of positions and has editorial responsibility. International collaboration is important because it can promote international publication, comparative research and the funding of new projects.

Some of the Norwegian research projects are being carried out by the Institute in collaboration with other countries with regard to publications, seminars and guidance. This particularly applies to projects being carried out by the CORE Centre for Research on Gender Equality and by the Centre for Research on Civil Society and Voluntary Sector.

Staff at the Institute hold many positions in international institutions and on professional/academic boards, councils and committees. These institutions include:

- Aalborg University (board member)
- Scientific Advisory Board for European Social Survey
- National UNESCO Commission
- International Society for Third-Sector Research (ISTR)
- Wertheim Fellow, Labor and Worklife Programme, Harvard Law School
- Research Economist, National Bureau of Economic Research
- Special Sworn Status, Center for Economic Studies, US Census Bureau
- Research Fellow, the Institute for the Study of Labour, IZA, Bonn

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SCIENTIFIC PUBLICATION AND RESEARCH DISSEMINATION

5.1 JOURNALS

Through scientific publications and the dissemination of popular science, the Institute is strengthening its position as an academic research institute and contributing to knowledge-based social debate. The researchers are active in public debates and convey research findings at scientific conferences, events under the Institute's auspices, seminars, lectures and in the media.

The Institute for Social Research publishes three journals.

Tidsskrift for samfunnsforskning

Tidsskrift for samfunnsforskning (TfS) publishes results from current social science surveys for a wider audience. The focus is placed on academic articles based on original empirical and/or theoretical analysis at a high academic level.

The journal covers a broad range of themes and contributors come from all disciplines within social science – sociology, political science, social anthropology, socio-economics, media science, etc. TfS is the only Norwegian social science journal to be represented in the ISI Web of Science.

The journal was published for the first time in 1960. TfS is published both on paper and electronically through Universitetsforlaget's web portal Idunn: www. idunn.no. The journal is published four times a year.

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Sub-editor: Gerd Granhaug.

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Søkelys på arbeidslivet

Søkelys på arbeidslivet is a scientific journal that publishes research-based articles on working life in Norway and the Nordic region. Key themes are working life-related issues such as employment, pay, employment conditions, education and the relationship between work and family life. Søkelys på arbeidslivet is aimed at researchers, investigators, case managers and decision-makers in business and management and social partners in working life.

The journal is published three times a year (one double issue and two single issues) in collaboration with Universitetsforlaget, with support from the Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs. From 2016 onwards, *Søkelys på arbeidslivet* will be published with open access. Articles can be downloaded from www.idunn.no. Articles from previous years can be purchased for downloading and printing at www.idunn.no.

- Editorial team: Ragni Hege Kitterød (editor), Kjersti Misje Østbakken (editor), Harald Dale-Olsen, Marjan Nadim, Julia Orupabo, Marte Strøm and Elisabeth Ugreninov.
- Sub-editor: Gerd Granhaug.
- Contact: spa@samfunnsforskning.no.



Comparative Social Research (CSR)

Despite the growing awareness of globalisation, the majority of empirical social scientific work is carried out within the framework of what Stein Rokkan characterised as "national empiricism". CSR is a yearbook published by the Institute for Social Research in collaboration with the Institute of Sociology and Social Geography at the University of Oslo (UiO). For more than 30 years, CSR has helped to strengthen the international orientation of the social sciences. The publications offer a multidisciplinary perspective and can be theoretical, empirical or applied in nature. Each edition has a separate theme. The most recent editions have covered research themes such as family and gender, civil society, social class and gender perspectives in vocational training. Future editions will cover the labour market in Europe and bureaucracies in change.

- Fredrik Engelstad (UiO/ISF) is editor-in-chief. Co-editors are Lars Mjøset (UiO), Kristian Stokke (UiO), Marte Mangset (HiOA), Kristian Berg Harp-viken (PRIO), Mari Teigen (ISF), Bernard Enjolras (ISF) and Liza Reisel (ISF). Daniel Arnesen (ISF) is sub-editor.
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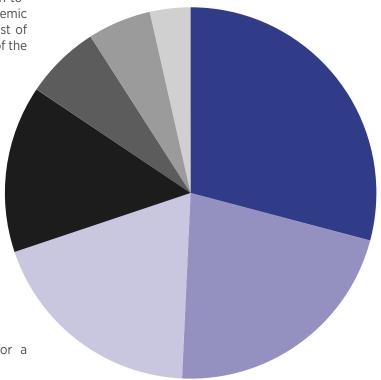
5.2 PUBLICATIONS 2015

The research conducted by the Institute is published in various scientific journals. Scientific articles and books are the main publication channels.

In 2015, researchers published 88 scientific articles and book chapters in channels that are approved by and give publication points from the Norwegian Social Science Data Services. Of these, 29 were international scientific book and journal articles, and 58 were published via Scandinavian language channels. The Institute's researchers published a total of seven books. The Institute also has its own report series and administers the report series of the Centre for Research on Civil Society and Voluntary Sector. The Institute published 24 reports in 2015. A total of 45 papers and lectures were produced for scientific conferences. In total, the Institute's researchers gave 67 academic lectures in Norway and abroad during 2015. A list of publications from 2015 can be found at the back of the annual report.

- Scientific articles in Scandinavian journals and anthologies 58
- Lectures/presentation of papers/posters 43
- Opinion pieces and newspaper and other articles 38
- Scientific articles in international journals and anthologies 29
- Reports in external report series 13
- Reports in internal report series 11
- Scientific monographs and anthologies 7

See www.samfunnsforskning.no/publikasjoner for a complete overview of the Institute's publications.



5.3 RESEARCH DISSEMINATION

Through popular science dissemination, the ISF contributes to a knowledge-based community debate. The researchers at the Institute are active in community debate and they convey research findings at scientific conferences, events under the Institute's auspices, seminars, lectures and in the media.

Online communication

samfunnsforskning.no is our principal channel for public-oriented research communication. The statistics show over 144,000 visits in 2015, an increase of 5.6 percent from 2014. Visitors mainly come from searches and hits via Google, direct traffic, other websites and social media.

The Institute's profiles on Twitter and Facebook serve as useful additional channels for research communication, and generate activity throughout the year. The ISF page on Facebook had 1700 'likes' by the end of 2015, representing an increase of almost 28 percent from the previous year.

The research centres affiliated to the Institute for Social Research have their own websites – Centre for Research on Civil Society and Voluntary Sector (sivilsamfunn.no) and CORE – Centre for Research on Gender Equality (likestillingsforskning.no). In addition, the Status of Freedom of Expression in Norway 2015-2017 project uses social media managed by the Institute.

In the media

In 2015, the Institute's researchers contributed 38 opinion pieces and newspaper articles, debate contributions and comments in the daily and professional press, more than 1035 entries in the mass media and 67 lectures for the general public.

Events

The Institute organised a number of open events at which current social issues and debates were considered, and journal editions, books and reports were launched.

5.4 OVERVIEW OF PUBLICATIONS

Books

Aardal, Bernt; Bergh, Johannes (red.) (2015), Valg og velgere. *En studie av Stortingsvalget 2013*. Cappelen Damm Akademisk 2015. ISBN 978-82-02-48434-7. 280 s.

Allern, Elin Haugsgjerd; Heidar, Knut; Karlsen, Rune. (2015), *After the mass party: Continuity and change in political parties and representation in Norway.*Lexington Books 2015. ISBN 978-1-4985-1654-9. 168 s.

Bay, Ann-Helén; Hagelund, Anniken; Hatland, Aksel (red.) (2015), *For mange på trygd?* Cappelen Damm Akademisk 2015. ISBN 978-82-02-49470-4. 349 s.

Berg-Nordlie, Mikkel; Saglie, Jo; Sullivan, Ann (red.) (2015), *Indigenous Politics*. ECPR Press 2015. ISBN 978-1-907301-66-7. 334 s.

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