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Nauja Kleist is a sociologist working with social, political and cultural aspects of migration, development, belonging, gender relations, recognition, and identity. She has extensive experiences with multi-sited fieldwork and research in transnational practices as well as with research communication and coordination.

Education

PhD, Sociology

University of Copenhagen, 2007

MA, International Development Studies and History

Roskilde University, 2001

BA, International Development Studies

Roskilde University, 1995

Academic positions

- Project senior researcher, Migration Unit, Danish Institute for International Studies, 2009-
- Project researcher, Migration Unit, Danish Institute for International Studies, 2007-2008
- Part-time lecturer, Department of Sociology, University of Copenhagen, 2006
- PhD Candidate, Department of Sociology, University of Copenhagen, 2003-2006
- Part-time lecturer, Cultural Encounters Program, Roskilde University, 2002

Key research interests

- Transnational migration; the relationship between mobility and immobility; migration and development; diasporic and political mobilization; return migration; migration management; gender, intersectionality, and recognition; home and belonging; inter-African migration; West Africa, esp. Ghana; Somalia and Somaliland; Denmark

Grants

- Post-doctoral grant, *Mobilizing African Diasporas as Agents of Change*, Danish Social Science Research Council (SFE), 09/2007 – 06/2010
- Marie Curie Fellowship, Sussex Centre for Migration Research, University of Sussex, 02-04/2004

Academic assignments

- Teacher and coordinator in *Network of Excellence for Qualitative Research in the Social Sciences: Sub-Saharan Africa*
- Peer review for academic journals, incl. *Journal for Ethnic and Migration Studies*
- Teaching in migration and belonging, transnationalism, diaspora, and qualitative method
- Supervision of PhD, MA and BA students, University of Copenhagen and Roskilde University

Academic memberships and networks

- Editorial board member of the research journal, *Kvinder, Køn & Forskning*, 1999-2006
- Board member of the Danish Association for Gender Research, 2001-03
- Member of the European Association of Social Anthropologists, 2008
- Member of the Danish Association of Sociologists, 2005-2008
- Member of the Danish Association of Gender Researchers, 1998-present
- Co-founder of Copenhagen Network for Migration Researchers, 2007
- Co-founder of the Somali Network, 2004

Commissioned work and coordination experience

- 'Somali Collective Remittances. Diaspora contributions to conflict, peace and development in the Somali homelands'. Report to the World Bank, 2008. With Peter Hansen
- Organizer of DIIS Migration Seminar Series, spring 2009: 'Revisiting the Migration Development Nexus: visions, challenges and prospects'
- Organizer and of the workshop 'Linkages between migration and development', The Swiss Development Corporation, Bern, 2007

Fieldwork experience

- Solid experience with qualitative interviews and observations among migrants, refugees, policy makers, politicians, traditional authorities, NGOs, political activists etc.
- Multi-sited fieldwork: Ghana, Copenhagen, and London (2007-2009); Copenhagen, London and Somaliland (1999, 2003-2004)

Selected teaching experience

- Organizer and teacher of semester course in cultural sociology, "Migration and belonging", Department of Sociology, University of Copenhagen, 2004, 2006, and 2007
- Organizer of two PhD courses, Department of Sociology, University of Copenhagen, 2004
- In-service training for social workers, Copenhagen Municipality, 2003 and 2005

Language skills

	<i>Speaking</i>	<i>Writing</i>	<i>Reading</i>
Danish	Mother tongue	Excellent	Excellent
English	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent
French	Fair	Fair	Good
German	Fair	Rudimentary	Good

Selected publications

Peer reviewed articles

Kleist, Nauja (forthcoming): Negotiating Respectable Masculinity: Gender and Recognition in the Somali Diaspora', *African Diaspora*, 3(2).

Kleist, Nauja (2008): Mobilizing 'the Diaspora'. Somali Transnational Political Engagement. *Journal of Ethnic and Migration Studies*. 34(2): 307-323.

Kleist, Nauja (2008): In the Name of Diaspora: Between Struggles for Recognition and Political Aspirations: *Journal of Ethnic and Migration Studies*. 34(7): 1127-1143.

Kleist, Nauja (2007): A Heart made of Habhab but with Danish Manners. Negotiating gender and political positioning in transnational fields. *Kvinder, Køn & Forskning*, 16(2-3), 38-47.

Kleist, Nauja (2002): 'Når hjemme er mere end et sted. Møder med Danmark blandt somaliere i diaspora'. *Kvinder, Køn & Forskning*, 11(2):31-40.

PhD dissertation

Kleist, Nauja (2007): *Spaces of Recognition. An analysis of Somali-Danish associational engagement and diasporic mobilization*. PhD dissertation, Department of Sociology, University of Copenhagen.

Book chapters

Kleist, Nauja (2008): Agents of Development and Change. The Somali Diaspora at Work in R. Bardouille, M. Grieco & M. Ndulo (eds.): *Africa's Finances: the Contribution of Remittances*. Newcastle Upon Tyne: Cambridge Scholars Publishing.

Kleist, Nauja (2007): Somali-Scandinavian Dreaming. When 'the diaspora' returns to the desert in Sørensen, N.N. (ed.) *Living Across Worlds. Diaspora, Development and Transnational Engagement*. Geneva: International Organization of Migration.

Kleist, Nauja (2007): Ambivalent Encounters. Negotiating boundaries of Danishness, Somaliness and belonging in A.M. Kusow & S. Bjørk (Eds.) *From Mogadishu to Dixon: The Somali Diaspora in a Global Context*. Lawrenceville, NJ: Africa World Press.

Kleist, Nauja & Hansen, Peter (2007): Performing Diaspora – Studying the mobilization of a Somaliland transborder citizenry in Farah, O., Muchie, M. & Gundel, J. (eds.): *Somalia: Diaspora and State Reconstitution in the Horn of Africa*. London: Adonis and AbbeyPublishers Ltd.

Kleist, Nauja (2006). 'Danmarks to ansigter. Stille integration og diskrimination af somali-danskere' i M.H. Pedersen & M. Rytter (red.), *Den stille integration. Nye fortællinger om at høre til i Danmark*. 118-142. København: A.C. Reitzels Forlag

Kleist, Nauja (2004): Situated Transnationalism. Fieldwork and location-work in transnational research methodology in Frykman, M.P. (ed.): *Transnational Spaces: Disciplinary perspectives*. Malmö: Malmö University.

Special issues (edited)

Kleist, Nauja & Spanger, Marlene (eds.) (2003): Krig (special issue about war) *Kvinder, Køn & Forskning*: 12(3).

Kleist, Nauja & Rebecca Kledal (eds.) (2002): Migration og Medborgerskab (special issue about migration and citizenship). *Kvinder, Køn & Forskning*. 11 (2).

Other articles, including working papers and briefs

Kleist, Nauja (2009): Tra Unità e Frammentazione. Le associazioni somale in Danimarca, *Afriche e Orienti*, XI(1-2):11-25.

Kleist, Nauja (2009): African Diaspora Organizations and Homeland Development: Somali and Ghanaian associations in Denmark, *DIIS Brief*, 1-4.

Nauja Kleist & Peter Hansen (2005): The Big Demonstration. A study of transborder political mobilization. *AMID Working Paper Series*, no. 42, www.amid.dk.

Kleist, Nauja (2004): Nomads, Sailors and Refugees. A Century of Somali Migration. *Sussex Migration Working Paper*, no. 23. www.sussex.ac.uk.

Kleist, Nauja, Fink-Nielsen, Mette & Hansen, Peter (2004): Roots, Rights and Responsibilities. Place-making and Repatriation among Somalis in Denmark and Somaliland. *Vienna Journal of African Studies*. 7(4):25-48.

Kleist, Nauja (2002): 'Indledning. Migration og medborgerskab i en globaliserende verden', *Kvinder, Køn & Forskning*, 11(2):3-8.

Fink-Nielsen, Mette, Hansen, Peter, & Kleist, Nauja (2002). Repatriering – afsluttet eller fortsat mobilitet? *Den Ny Verden*, 35(3): 52-65.

Contributions to research reviews and encyclopedia

Kleist, Nauja (forthcoming): 'Diaspora', 'Transnationalisme', 'Metodologisk nationalisme', 'Slægtskab', 'Minoritet', 'Stamme', 'Stammefællesskab', 'Periferi' in I.K. Pedersen & S.N. Larsen (red.): *Sociologisk Leksikon*. København: Hans Reitzels Forlag.

Kleist, Nauja (2003): 'Etnicitet og Race', 'Migration' i M. Spanger (red.): *Køn i Forskning. Forskning i Køn*. København: Koordinationen for Kønsforskning, Sociologisk Institut, Københavns Universitet.

Kleist, Nauja (2003): 'Race and Ethnicity', 'Migration' i M. Spanger (ed.): *Gender in Research. Research in Gender*. Copenhagen: The Coordination for Gender Studies in Denmark, Department of Sociology, University of Copenhagen.