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EDUCATION AND ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

- 04/2024 – **PhD Candidate**, University of Oslo, Faculty of Theology
- 11/2022 – 08/2023 Research Assistant, PRIO, Oslo
- 08/2021 – 05/2023 **Master thesis** “Ethics in Peace Negotiations: Roles and Considerations According to Experts” in association to the research project “FAIR” at the Peace Research Institute Oslo, PRIO. Grade A.
Published: [Ethics in Peace Negotiations: Roles and Considerations According to Experts – Peace Research Institute Oslo \(PRIO\)](#)
- Publications related to the FAIR project:
[Ethics in Peace Negotiations: Key Questions – Peace Research Institute Oslo \(PRIO\)](#) and
[Ethical Questions in Peace Negotiations: A Guide – Peace Research Institute Oslo \(PRIO\)](#)
- 05/2021 – 09/2021 Writing Mentor, Academic Writing Center at MF Norwegian School of Theology, Religion and Society, Oslo
- 2021 Publication. Lea Matthaei, Wolfgang Ilg. Handbook Chapter “Partizipation und Leitung” (Participation and Leadership) in Hirschberg, Plisch, Freudenberg: Handbuch Studierendenseelsorge (Handbook Spiritual Care for Students)
- 08/2020 – 05/2023 **Master of Philosophy**, MF Norwegian School of Theology, Religion and Society, Subject: **Religion in Contemporary Society**, Oslo
- 02/2019 – 02/2020 **Bachelor of Arts**, Protestant University of Applied Sciences, Germany
Subject: **International Social Work**. Bachelor thesis: “Areas of Intercultural Encounter within Social Spaces. An Empirical Investigation of Individual Points of View.” Published: <https://kidoks.bsz-bw.de/frontdoor/index/index/docId/1681>
- 09/2015 – 02/2019 **Bachelor of Arts**, Protestant University of Applied Sciences, Germany
Subject: **Diaconal Science**. Bachelor thesis: “Intergenerational Justice as Challenge for the Church and Diakonia – An Investigation Focusing on Ecological Aspects.”
- 09/2017 – 01/2018 Exchange semester (practice), NGO “Mati – Self Defined Rural Development”, Mymensingh, Bangladesh and NGO “Matzmichim – Israeli Violence Reduction Organization”, Tel Aviv, Israel
- 01/2017 – 06/2017 Exchange semester, VID Specialized University Oslo, Norway
- 2002 – 2014 Elementary and Secondary School graduated with Abitur/A-levels, Paul-Schempp-Award of the Protestant Church Württemberg, Germany

WORK EXPERIENCE

11/2023 – 03/2024	Integrational and Dialogue Deacon, Church of Norway and Church Dialogue Center, Drammen
10/2021 – 10/2023	Consultant (topic: religion and dialogue), Areopagos, Oslo
03/2020 – 07/2020	Social Worker in a Child Protection Measure, Korntal, Germany
02/2019 – 07/2020	Assistant in the School Project “Fairtrade in Schools”, Umbrella Organization Development Work (DEAB e.V.) Baden-Württemberg, Germany
06/2018 – 02/2020, 02/2016 – 10/2016	Assistant of the Head of the Religious Congregation of the Protestant University of Applied Sciences Ludwigsburg, Germany

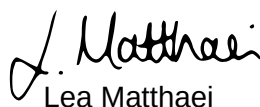
EXTRACURRICULAR EXPERIENCE

05/2024 –	Elected member of the board of the Church Dialogue Center Oslo
04/2024 –	Volunteer in the Church Dialogue Center Drammen, podcast project «Dialogpodden»
08/2020 –	Volunteer in Oslo International Church (with kids ministry, logistics, holy communion, preparation for the service)
05/2021 – 12/2022	Volunteer in a housing project for young adults (social work), Maritastiftelsen
09/2015 – 02/2020	Member of an university association focused on sustainable development, Protestant University of Applied Sciences Ludwigsburg, Germany
09/2018 – 08/2019	Elected board member of the students’ union executive committee, Protestant University of Applied Sciences Ludwigsburg, Germany
01/2016 – 12/2016	Elected member of the university senate, Protestant University of Applied Sciences Ludwigsburg, Germany

OTHER

Language	Fluent in German, English, Norwegian
Courses	2019: Participating in the module “Development Work” with the university of diaconal science, Germany, Bielefeld, Germany 2018: Participation in a Study-day about ‘the Anthropocene’ led by the Protestant Church Württemberg, Germany
Other	Driving license B

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