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## Publications 2006

Sorted according to thematic categories

### Biological diversity

#### Books and peer-reviewed chapters and articles

Hilbeck, A., D.A. Andow and E.M.G. Fontes (eds)

**'Methodologies for Assessing Bt Cotton in Brazil'**

Vol 2 in Kapuscinski, A.R. and P.J. Schei (series eds), *Environmental Risk Assessment of Genetically Modified Organisms Series*. Wallingford (UK), CABI Publishing, 2006, 400 p.

Comprehensive, scientific methods for the pre-release testing and post-release monitoring of transgenic plants are necessary to ensure environmental safety and sustainable use. This book focuses on transgenic cotton in Brazil and addresses both environmental and agricultural impacts. It draws out general risk assessment guidelines and demonstrates the need for case-by-case analysis.

Rosendal, G. Kristin, Ingrid Olesen, Hans B. Bentsen, Morten Walløe Tvedt and Martin Bryde

**'Access to and Legal Protection of Aquaculture Genetic Resources: Norwegian Perspectives'**

*Journal of World Intellectual Property*, Vol 9, No 4, 2006, pp. 392-412.

Breeding companies need legal or biological protection measures to assure revenues from genetic improvement and investment in genetic material. Fish farmers and fish breeders need access to genetic resources for food production and further development and sustainable use of fish genetic material. How can a balance be created between the need for unencumbered and free access on one hand and, on the other hand, the need to ensure a right to the results from breeding and research?

Rosendal, G. Kristin

**'Balancing Access and Benefit-Sharing and Legal Protection of Innovations from Bioprospecting: Impacts on Conservation of Biodiversity'**

*Journal of Environment and Development*, Vol 15, No 4, 2006, pp. 428-447.

The Convention on Biological Diversity aims for a balance between the needs and interests of owners of genetic resources and technology owners. The article examines how current proposals for handling 'prior art' in patent legislation, such as 'disclosure of origin' and 'certificates of legal provenance' contribute to finding a balance between the interests of affected stakeholders.

Rosendal, G. Kristin

**'Regulating the Use of Genetic Resources - Between International Authorities'**

*European Environment*, Vol 16, No 5, 2006, pp. 265-277.

The article examines interaction between multilateral agreements and the assessment of implementation efforts. Particular attention is given to where authority stems from in this context of multiple and interacting institutions.

Rosendal, G. Kristin

**'The Convention on Biological Diversity: Tensions with the WTO TRIPS Agreement over Access to Genetic Resources and the Sharing of Benefits'**

In Oberthür, Sebastian and Thomas Gehring (eds), *Institutional Interaction in Global Environmental Governance - Synergy and Conflict among International and EU Policies*. Cambridge (MA), MIT Press, 2006, pp. 79-103

This chapter explores the institutional interactions of the CBD in general and analyses in detail the way in which the CBD and the Agreement on Trade-Related Aspects of Intellectual Property Rights (TRIPS Agreement) under the World Trade Organization (WTO) have influenced each others implementation and performance.

Tvedt, Morten Walløe

**'Elements for Legislation in User Countries to Meet the Fair and Equitable Benefit-Sharing Commitment'**

*The Journal of World Intellectual Property*, Vol 9, No 2, 2006, pp. 189-212.

This article takes a new perspective on the implementation of Access and Benefit Sharing (ABS) in developed countries. The main focus is how the obligation of fair and equitable benefit sharing can be implemented in legislation of the user countries.

**Other publications**

Andersen, Regine

***Bønders rettigheter – resultater fra en internasjonal undersøkelse ('Farmers' Rights – Results from an International Survey')***

Frø & Formering Report 6D. Sandefjord, Vestfold Bondelag, 2006, 7 p. In Norwegian.

The report summarises the findings from an international stakeholder survey on the state of implementation of farmers' rights under the International Treaty on Plant Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture, and the options available as seen from the view of stakeholders.

Andersen, Regine

***Farmers' Rights and Agrobiodiversity***

Issue Papers: People Food and Biodiversity. Eschborn, GTZ, 2006, 4 p.

This issue paper explains the importance of Farmers' Rights for the maintenance of agrobiodiversity and for food security in developing countries. It presents the international commitments pertaining to Farmers' Rights and the challenges ahead with regard to their realisation.

Andersen, Regine

***Realising Farmers' Rights Under the International Treaty on Plant Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture: Summary of Findings from The Farmers' Rights Project (Phase 1)***

FNI Report 11/2006. Lysaker, FNI, 2006, 13 p.

The Farmers' Rights Project is an international project to facilitate a common understanding and develop a basis for proposals to the Governing Body of the ITPGRFA on specific measures to be taken. The report is a summary of the findings from Phase 1 of the Farmers' Rights Project designed as a guide to delegations and stakeholders concerned with Farmers' Rights.

Bøe, Therese

***Patentet som forvaltningsvedtak - Er meddelelse av patent et enkeltvedtak om tildeling av et offentlig gode? ('The Public Law Aspects of the Granting of a Patent - Is the Patent a Public Law?')***

FNI Report 13/2006. Lysaker, FNI, 2006, 47 p. In Norwegian.

In the legal tradition patent law is often regarded as a part of the body of private law, but in the international debate there is some focus on whether a patent should rather be regarded as a public strategic tool to promote certain developments in society. On this background the report investigates the Norwegian Patent Office's rules of procedure for the handling and granting of a patent, and concludes that a patent is and must be regarded as a public law tool rather than a private pre-existing right.

Feyissa, Regassa

***The Farmers' Rights Project - Background Study 5: Farmers' Rights in Ethiopia - A Case Study***

FNI Report 7/2006. Lysaker, FNI, 2006, 64 p.

This case study is about prospects for the realization of Farmers' Rights, as set out in the International Treaty on Plant Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture. It provides an overview over policies, legislation and projects on Farmers' Rights in Ethiopia and compiles stakeholder perceptions on the prospects for national and international implementation.

Gulbrandsen, Lars H. and David Humphreys

***International Initiatives to Address Tropical Timber Logging and Trade***

FNI Report 4/2006. Lysaker, FNI, 2006, 67 p.

This report examines a broad range of international initiatives to address tropical timber logging, with a particular focus on illegal logging and associated trade.

Hiemstra, S.J., A.G. Drucker, M.W. Tvedt, N. Louwaars, J.K. Oldenbroek, K. Awgichew, S. Abegaz Kebede, P.N. Bhat and A. da Silva Mariente  
*Exchange, Use and Conservation of Animal Genetic Resources*  
CGN Report 2006/06. Wageningen (NL), Centre for Genetic Resources, 2006, 80 p.

The aim of this report is to support informed and evidence-based decision-making by exploring a range of policy and regulatory options related to exchange, use and conservation of animal genetic resources for food and agriculture (AnGR).

Matheson, Adele

*Omfang og innhold av produktpatent på plantegener ('The Scope of Product Patent Protection to a Naturally Occurring Plant Gene')*

FNI Report 12/2006. Lysaker, FNI, 2006, 53 p. In Norwegian.

In view of recent legal changes in Europe, this report investigates which types of research and development are under the exclusive right of the patentee when the subject matter of the invention is a naturally occurring plant gene. One major finding is that the scope of such a patent is not easily defined. Another observation is that the scope of the protection for a naturally occurring gene is wide, which might be an obstacle to maintaining a public domain for research and development on that particular gene.

Muller, Manuel Ruiz

*The Farmers' Rights Project - Background Study 3: Farmers' Rights in Peru - A Case Study*

FNI Report 5/2006. Lysaker, FNI, 2006, 109 p.

This case study is about prospects for the realization of Farmers' Rights, as set out in the International Treaty on Plant Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture. It provides an overview over policies, legislation and projects on Farmers' Rights in Peru and compiles stakeholder perceptions on the prospects for national and international implementation.

Ramanna, Anitha

*The Farmers' Rights Project - Background Study 4: Farmers' Rights in India - A Case Study*

FNI Report 6/2006. Lysaker, FNI, 2006, 52 p.

This case study is about prospects for the realization of Farmers' Rights, as set out in the International Treaty on Plant Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture. It provides an overview over policies, legislation and projects on Farmers' Rights in India and compiles stakeholder perceptions on the prospects for national and international implementation.

## China

### Books and peer-reviewed chapters and articles

Heggelund, Gørild

*'Resettlement Programmes and Environmental Capacity in the Three Gorges Dam Project'*

*Development & Change*, Vol 37, No 1, 2006, pp. 179-199.

This contribution looks at the Three Gorges dam project, and specifically at the resettlement programme, focusing on two major aspects. It examines the resettlement programme in relation to the environmental capacity in the reservoir area; and it assesses the existence of a risk consciousness and a reconstruction strategy, seen in terms of the 'impoverishment risks and reconstruction' (IRR) model.

## Climate change

### Books and peer-reviewed chapters and articles

Sæverud, Ingvild Andreassen and Jørgen Wettestad

*'Norway and Emissions Trading: From Global Front-runner to EU Follower'*

*International Environmental Agreements*, Vol 6, No 1, 2006, pp. 91-108.

A striking convergence has taken place in the design of the Norwegian and EU greenhouse gas emissions trading systems from 1998 to 2004. A main explanation is that the US pull-out of the Kyoto Protocol in 2001 increased the attractiveness of the EU trading system and resulted in EU emissions trading as the most probable and possibly only international market for Norway to link up to.

## Energy

### Books and peer-reviewed chapters and articles

Skjærseth, Jon Birger and Atle Christer Christiansen  
**'Environmental Policy Instruments and Technological Change in the Energy Sector: Findings from Comparative Empirical Research'**

*Energy & Environment*, Vol 17 No 2, 2006, pp. 223-241.

This article explores the extent to which and in what ways environmental policy instruments may affect patterns of environmental friendly technological change in the energy sector.

### Other publications

Ohshita, Stephanie, Alan Meier, Steve Wiel and Gørild Heggelund

**'Cooperation Targets: From Industry to Energy Services'**

In Sugiyama and Oshita (eds), *Cooperative Climate. Energy Efficiency Across East Asia*. Winnipeg, International Institute for Sustainable Development (IISD), 2006, pp. 79-94.

This chapter examines cooperation activity sector by sector and note increasing activity in certain economic sectors with numerous, diverse actors, most notably in appliances, transportation and buildings.

Ohshita, Stephanie, Steve Wiel and Gørild Heggelund

**'Cooperation Structure: The Growing Role of Independent Cooperation Networks'**

In Sugiyama and Oshita (eds), *Cooperative Climate. Energy Efficiency Across East Asia*. Winnipeg, International Institute for Sustainable Development (IISD), 2006, pp. 39-62.

In this chapter we identify existing energy efficiency cooperation activities in East Asia and examine the organizational structure of those activities. Cooperation described here is presented in four groups: bilateral cooperation; multilateral cooperation; regional cooperation; and independent international cooperation networks.

Sugiyama, Taishi , Gørild Heggelund and Takahiro Ueno

**'The Need for Energy Efficiency Cooperation'**

In Sugiyama and Oshita (eds), *Cooperative Climate. Energy Efficiency Across East Asia*. Winnipeg, International Institute for Sustainable Development (IISD), 2006, pp. 11-33.

The chapter explains why more cooperation is needed on energy efficiency and conservation. It also looks into China's current energy policy and political setting, current energy policies in East Asia, and the CDM's potential for delivering energy efficiency.

## Europe

### Books and peer-reviewed chapters and articles

Wettestad, Jørgen,

**'The EU Air Quality Framework Directive: Shaped and Saved by Interaction?'**

In Oberthür, Sebastian and Thomas Gehring (eds), *Institutional Interaction in Global Environmental Governance - Synergy and Conflict among International and EU Policies*. Cambridge (MA), MIT Press, 2006, pp. 285-307.

The 1996 Air Quality Framework Directive (FD) and the four subsequent daughter directives are important legal milestones in the EU's fight against air pollution. A main thesis in this chapter is that in order to really understand both the shaping and future performance of the EU air quality directives it is absolutely crucial to understand the directives' interaction with external institutions and other EU-internal policies.

## **Other publications**

Boasson, Elin Lerum

### ***Assessing Domestic Adaptation to EU Policy: Detecting Mechanisms at Work***

FNI Report 16/2006. Lysaker, FNI, 2006, 19 p.

This report sketches a theoretical basis for assessing domestic adaptation to EU policy. It suggests that EU policy may be regulative, normative, cognitive, material in nature. Moreover, it may spur effects at different levels within domestic organisational fields. The assumption is that the stronger the EU policy is in terms of coherence and clarity, the more likely it is that it induces changes to domestic organisational fields.

Boasson, Elin Lerum, Jørgen Wettestad and Maria Bohn

### ***CSR in the European Oil Sector: A Mapping of Company Perceptions***

FNI Report 9/2006. Lysaker, FNI, 2006, 22 p.

Does the increasing rhetorical attention to concepts such as 'Corporate Social Responsibility' (CSR) and related weight given to CSR instruments lead to corresponding changes in the behaviour of companies, within the policy fields of environmental protection, gender equality, and the countering of bribery? The EU-funded RARE ('Rhetoric and Realities – Analysing Corporate Social Responsibility in Europe') project has set out to explore this question in the three societal sectors of oil, fisheries and banking, relying on a combination of extensive surveys within the three sectors and a subsequent more limited number of in-depth case studies. This report sums up and discusses the main results of the oil sector survey, encompassing nine European oil companies.

Cockbain, Erik

### ***EU- og EØS-midler på miljøområdet i Sentral- og Øst-Europa. Er midlene komplementære og retter de seg mot de reelle miljøutfordringene? ('EU and EEA Funding for the Environment in Central and Eastern Europe. Are the Funding Schemes Complementary and do they Target the Real Environmental Challenges?')***

FNI Report 17/2006. Lysaker, FNI, 2006, 44 p. In Norwegian.

After the accession of ten new member states to the EU in 2004, EEA's EFTA states (Norway, Iceland and Liechtenstein) established the EEA Financial Mechanism and the Norwegian Financial Mechanism to support social and economic cohesion within the enlarged EEA. Protection of the environment is one of the main priority sectors, and this report compares the "EEA-grants" to the EUs own environmental financing.

Karlseng, Therese Håkonsen

### ***Decreasing German Climate Ambitiousness: Simply Due to Economic Problems, or Do Politics Matter?***

FNI Report 8/2006. Lysaker, FNI, 2006, 82 p.

This report seeks to measure and explain whether there has been a change in German climate policy strength during the period 2000-2005. By doing this it also contributes on how to measure and explain changes in national climate policy strength.

Skjærseth, Jon Birger and Jørgen Wettestad

### ***EU Enlargement and Environmental Policy: The Bright Side***

FNI Report 14/2006. Lysaker, FNI, 2006, 23 p.

It is commonly expected that as the EU expands to include the Central- and East-European (CEE) countries, its capacity to adopt and implement environmental policy will be negatively affected. This report argues that a less pessimistic view emerges when the analysis considers that business and industry are likely to take a more proactive role; that the CEE countries are unlikely to vote as a bloc on environmental issues because their interests and values vary, and that the flexibility and capacity of EU institutions to adopt and implement environmental policy has increased.

Wettestad, Jørgen

### ***Effectiveness of EU Auto-Oil: A Slippery Business?***

FNI Report 10/2006. Lysaker, FNI, 2006, 20 p.

This report discusses the impact of the Auto-Oil Directives on the industrial target groups. More behavioural change has taken place in the oil industry than in the car industry, and especially in the North. It is likely that EU institutions and mechanisms did help bring about these behavioural changes, for instance by bringing about the new knowledge that cleaner fuel was essential in order to attain the agreed goals between the EU and the car industry on reduced CO2 emissions.

## Global environmental governance

### Books and peer-reviewed chapters and articles

Gulbrandsen, Lars H.

**'Creating Markets for Eco-labelling: Are Consumers Insignificant?'**

*International Journal of Consumer Studies*, Vol 30, No 5, 2006, pp. 477-489.

Through a careful examination of the initiation and spread of certification and labelling initiatives in the fishery and forestry sectors, this article challenges a rational-economic perspective that sees the spread of non-state governance schemes primarily as a market-driven phenomenon.

Skjærseth, Jon Birger, Olav Schram Stokke and Jørgen Wettestad

**'Soft Law, Hard Law, and Effective Implementation of International Environmental Norms'**

*Global Environmental Politics*, Vol 6, No 3, 2006, pp. 104-120.

The article compares the interplay between soft law institutions and those based on hard law in international efforts to protect the North Sea, reduce transboundary air pollution, and discipline fisheries subsidies.

Skodvin, Tora and Steinar Andresen

**'Leadership Revisited'**

*Global Environmental Politics*, Vol 6, No 3, 2006, pp. 13-28.

The authors critically examine shortcomings of received conceptualization of leadership in process of international regime formation and change.

Skodvin, Tora, Steinar Andresen and Jon Hovi (guest eds)

**'Special issue: The negotiation and Effectiveness of International Environmental Agreements'**

*Global Environmental Politics*, Vol 6, No 3, 2006, 143 p.

Festschrift in honor of Professor Arild Underdals 60th birthday. A collection of some of the leading international scholars on international environmental politics. Negotiations and regime effectiveness focussed.

### Other publications

Backer, Ellen Bruzelius

***Paper Tiger Meets White Elephant? An Analysis of the Effectiveness of the Mekong River Regime***

FNI Report 15/2006. Lysaker, FNI, 2006, 83 p.

The Mekong River in SE Asia runs through six countries. Thailand, Lao PDR, Vietnam and Cambodia cooperate about its management in the Mekong River Commission, but Burma and China, the furthest upstream, hold observer status. This report assesses the effectiveness of the Mekong River regime.

## Marine affairs and Law of the Sea

### Books and peer-reviewed chapters and articles

Henriksen, Tore, Geir Hønneland and Are Sydnes

***Law and Politics in Ocean Governance: The UN Fish Stocks Agreement and Regional Fisheries Management Regimes***

Leiden/Boston, Martinus Nijhoff Publishers/Brill Academic Publishers, 2006, 226 p.

This volume explores how the commitments of the 1995 UN Fish Stocks Agreement are acted upon by states in a selection of regional fisheries management regimes.

Hønneland, Geir

***Kvotekamp og kyststatssolidaritet: Norsk-russisk fiskeriforvaltning gjennom 30 år ('Quota Battles and Coast State Solidarity: 30 Years of Norwegian-Russian Fishery Management')***

Bergen, Fagbokforlaget, 2006, 152 p. In Norwegian.

The book is written as an anniversary edition for the 30th anniversary of the Joint Norwegian-Russian Fisheries Commission in 2006. It contains chronological and thematic chapter about the Commission's work throughout this period.

Skjærseth, Jon Birger

**'Protecting the North-East Atlantic: Enhancing Synergies by Institutional Interplay'**

*Marine Policy*, Vol 30, No 2, 2006, pp. 157-166.

This article examines the interplay between three different international institutions on marine pollution in the North Sea and the wider North-East Atlantic: the International North Sea Conferences, the OSPAR-Convention and preceding conventions as well as the EU.

Skjærseth, Jon Birger,

**'Protecting the Northeast Atlantic: One problem, Three Institutions'**

In Oberthür, Sebastian and Thomas Gehring (eds), *Institutional Interaction in Global Environmental Governance - Synergy and Conflict among International and EU Policies*. Cambridge (MA), MIT Press, 2006, pp. 103-127.

This chapter examines the interplay between numerous international instruments affecting marine pollution control in the North Sea and the wider Northeast Atlantic.

Stokke, Olav Schram and Clare Coffey

**'Institutional Interplay and Responsible Fisheries: Combating Subsidies, Developing Precaution'**

In Oberthür, Sebastian and Thomas Gehring (eds), *Institutional Interaction in Global Environmental Governance - Synergy and Conflict among International and EU Policies*. Cambridge (MA), MIT Press, 2006, pp. 127-150.

This chapter examines three sets of cases where the global fisheries regime has influenced problem-solving activities under other institutions, specifically WTO regulation of fisheries subsidies, ICES' provision of scientific advice, and regulatory decision-making under the EU Common Fisheries Policy (CFP).

Vidas, Davor

**'O zaštiti europskih mora kao osobito osjetljivih morskih područja i potrebi regionalne suradnje u Jadranskom moru' ('Particularly Sensitive Sea Areas: The Need for Regional Cooperation in the Adriatic Sea')**

In Ott, K. (ed), *Pridruživanje Hrvatske Europskoj uniji: izazovi sudjelovanja*, Vol 4. Zagreb, Institut za javne financije/Zaklada Friedrich Ebert, 2006, pp. 333-371. In Croatian.

This article, published in Croatian language, discusses the need for the designation by the International Maritime Organization, of the Adriatic Sea as a Particularly Sensitive Sea Area.

Vidas, Davor

**'Protecting the European Seas as Particularly Sensitive Sea Areas: The Need for Regional Cooperation in the Adriatic Sea'**

In Ott, K. (ed), *Croatian Accession to the European Union*, Vol 4. Zagreb, Institute of Public Finance/Friedrich Ebert Stiftung, 2006.

The article discusses the need for the designation by the International Maritime Organization, of the Adriatic Sea as a Particularly Sensitive Sea Area.

**Other publications**

Jensen, Øystein

***Coastal State Jurisdiction and Vessel Source Pollution: The International Law of the Sea Framework for Norwegian Legislation***

FNI Report 3/2006. Lysaker, FNI, 2006, 47 p.

The main objective of this report is the current geographical extent and scope of Norway's right to regulate vessel source pollution under international law and relevant Norwegian legislation. The legal investigations concern first of all the framework under the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea Part XII.

Schei, Peter Johan and R. Douglas Brubaker,

**'Developments in Environmental Protection – the Barents Sea and European Union Waters'**

In Kitagawa, Hiromitsu (ed), *New Era in Far East Russia & Asia*. Tokyo, Ocean Policy Research Foundation (Ship & Ocean Foundation), 2006, pp. 243-258.

Negotiation between actors for all the conflicting interests present is likely the only realistic solution for future environmental management of the Barents Sea and European waters wherein a balance is hoped achieved.

Schei, Peter Johan and R. Douglas Brubaker,  
**'Suggestions for a Conceptual Design of an Okhotsk Sea Environmental Regime – Comparison with the Barents Sea'**

In Kitagawa, Hiromitsu (ed), *New Era in Far East Russia & Asia*. Tokyo, Ocean Policy Research Foundation (Ship & Ocean Foundation), 2006, pp. 259-276.

More information is needed, but certain marine areas in the Okhotsk Sea already may be indicated possibly needing special environmental coverage related to international shipping and oil platforms due to their sensitivity. The Norwegian Barents Sea may provide a model indicating environmental measures of possible relevance for utilisation in the Okhotsk Sea.

## **Polar regions**

### **Books and peer-reviewed chapters and articles**

Jensen, Leif Christian

**'Boring som miljøargument? Norske petroleumdiskurser i nordområdene ('Drilling for the Environment? Norwegian Petroleum Discourses in the High North').**

*Internajonal Politikk*, Vol 64, No 3, 2006, pp. 295-309. In Norwegian.

This article examines how arguments about Russia are portrayed in the Norwegian petroleum debate regarding offshore drilling in the high north.

### **Other publications**

Gold, Edgar and Peter Leckie Wright

***Marine Insurance Coverage for the Sea Carriage of Oil and Other Energy Materials on the Northern Sea Route: Moving from Theory to Reality***

ARCOP Report. Helsinki, ARCOP, 2006, 51 p.

This report assesses the availability of adequate and appropriate risk coverage for vessels, especially those carrying potential pollutants and hazardous and noxious substances, navigating the Northern Sea Route and Russian Barents Sea. The Report also provides an assessment of the marine insurance industry's interest in developing a sustained system of coverage for this type of risk

Schei, Peter Johan and Arild Moe

**'Le Grand Nord - Défis et Potentiels' ('The High North – Challenges and Potentials')**

*Nordiques*, No 9, 2006, pp. 21-40. In French.

Energy developments is the most dynamic factor in the European North. The article gives an overview of the status and progress of petroleum projects and discusses resource management challenges in general, with a reference to jurisdictional disputes in the area.

## **Russia and the post-Soviet states**

### **Books and peer-reviewed chapters and articles**

Hønneland, Geir

**'Power Institutions and International Collaboration on the Kola Peninsula'**

*The Journal of Power Institutions In Post-Soviet Societies*, Issue 4/5, 2006, online edition.

The article discusses how international cooperative projects have contributed to increased interaction between civilian authorities and the military or other power agencies in Murmansk Oblast.

Hønneland, Geir and Jørgen Holten Jørgensen

**'Administrativ reform i Russland' ('Administrative Reform in Russia')**

*Nordisk Østforum*, Vol 20, No 1, 2006, pp. 45-62. In Norwegian.

The article reviews principles and practice related to the overarching reform of Russia's federal bureaucracy which was initiated in March 2004. In addition to experiences at the general level, the article includes case studies from environmental regulation and fisheries management.

Hønneland, Geir and Jørgen Holten Jørgensen

***Moderne russisk politikk: En innføring i Russlands politiske system ('Contemporary Russian Politics: An Introduction to Russia's Political System')***

Bergen, Fagbokforlaget, 2006, 168 p. In Norwegian.

The book describes the basic features of the Russian Constitution, the major political federal institutions, and the relationship between the federal and the regional authorities. It also includes fisheries management, petroleum policy and environmental protection.

Jørgensen, Jørgen Holten and Geir Hønneland

**'Implementing Global Nature Protection Regimes in Russia'**

*Journal of International Wildlife Law and Policy*, Vol 9, No 1, 2006, pp. 33-53

The article discusses Russian implementation of the Ramsar Convention, the World Heritage Convention, CITES and the Convention on Biological Diversity. Little has been done by federal authorities to implement the agreements on the ground. Implementation activities are undertaken primarily by international NGOs, and partly by regional authorities.

Moe, Arild

**'Shtokman-beslutningen: Forklaringer og implikasjoner' ('The Shtokman Decision: Explanations and Implications')**

*Nordisk Østforum*, Vol 20, No 4, 2006, pp. 389-403. In Norwegian.

On 9 October 2006, Russia's state-dominated gas company Gazprom declared a halt to the tender process for the giant Shtokman gas field, and that it was no longer interested in foreign ownership in the project. At the same time, the plans for constructing a plant for production of liquefied gas (LNG) were shelved. Instead Gazprom announced that it would develop the field on its own, and channel the gas via pipelines to European markets. This article offers various explanations for the decision.

Rowe, Lars and Bernd Rechel

**'Fighting Tuberculosis and HIV/AIDS in Northeast Europe: Sustainable Collaboration or Political Rhetoric?'**

*The European Journal of Public Health*, Vol 16, No 6, 2006, pp. 609-614.

The article examines whether the Northern Dimension Partnership in Public Health and Social Wellbeing has succeeded in developing the achievements of the Task Force on Communicable Disease Control in the Baltic Sea Region. The article is the result of a follow-up study to the contextual evaluation of the task Force.

## **Other publications**

Hønneland, Geir

**'Samarbeidet med Russland - erfaringer og utgangspunkt' ('The Cooperation with Russia - Experiences and Point of Departure')**

*Ottar*, Vol 52, No 2, 2006, pp. 57-62. In Norwegian.

The article discusses the potential for including Russia in an integrated management plan for the Barents Sea. It reviews experiences from the fisheries sector and addresses, in particular, the challenge created by the strong compartmentalization of the Russian bureaucracy.

Jensen, Leif Christian

***"Boring for miljøet": Russland og miljø i den norske petroleumdiskursen ("Drilling for the Environment": Russia and the Environment in the Norwegian Petroleum Discourse)***

FNI Report 2/2006. Lysaker, FNI, 2006. 62 p, In Norwegian

This report examines how arguments about Russia and the environment are portrayed together in the Norwegian petroleum discourse on drilling in the Barents Sea. It examines the logic behind a widely held perception among several domestic actors that Norway should engage in drilling for petroleum to both "help the environment and help the Russians". The report also includes a more theoretical focus where certain aspects of discourse analysis are examined.

Kongshaug, Ellen

***Diskurser i norsk atompolitikk: Kolahalvøya i et diskursanalytisk perspektiv (A Discourse Analytical Perspective on the Kola Peninsula Radioactive Pollution: Catastrophe or Not?)***

FNI Report 1/2006. Lysaker, FNI, 2006, 62 p. In Norwegian

The main scope of this report is examining the textual features with which discourses are produced, reproduced and maintained - in this case within the field of Norwegian nuclear politics.

## Commentary articles and other popularized publications

Arild Moe

**'Of course we need Russia, but never forget that Russia also needs us' (")**

*Parliamentary Brief*, 01.07.2006

Regine Andersen

**'Farmers' Rights zur Bekämpfung der Armut' ('Farmers' Rights Fight Poverty')**

*Entwicklung & Ländlicher Raum*, 01.07.2006

Davor Vidas

**'Hrvatskoj treba medjunarodno pravo' ('Croatia needs international law')**

*Glas Koncila*, 01.10.2006

Davor Vidas (interview)

**'Svake godine u Jadranu - 250 slucajeva curenja nafte s brodova' ('Yearly around 250 operational oil spills from ships in the Adriatic Sea')**

*Otvoreno more*, 01.12.2006

Lars Rowe & Geir Hønneland

**'Smittevern i Østersjøregionen' ('Communicable Disease Control in the Baltic Sea Region')**

*Dagsavisen*, 02.08.2006

Regine Andersen

**'Noas ark og plantemangfoldet' ('Noah's Ark and Plant Diversity')**

*Aftenposten*, 03.02.2006

Geir Hønneland

**'Felles forvaltningsplan med Russland?' ('Joint Management Plan with Russia?')**

*Dagsavisen*, 03.03.2006

Leif Christian Jensen og Pål Skedsmo

**'Sjtokman sett med Jahnsens øyne' ('Shtokman Seen with the Eyes of Lasse Jahnsen')**

*Dagbladet*, 03.08.2006

Lars H. Gulbrandsen

**'WTO aksepterer miljøsensyn' ('WTO Accepts Environmental Considerations')**

*Aftenposten*, 04.01.2006

Geir Hønneland

**'Anmeldelse av "Østersjøområdet: studier av interaksjon och barriärer" (Jan Henrik Nilsson)' (")**

*Nordisk Østforum*, 04.04.2006

Leif Christian Jensen og Pål Skedsmo

**'Norge - i førerretet i nord?' ('Norway - In Pole Position in the North?')**

*Klassekampen*, 05.04.2006

Lars Rowe og Pål Skedsmo

**'Russisk diktatur i støpeskjeen' ('A Russian Dictatorship Being Shaped')**

*Bergens Tidende*, 07.11.2006

Davor Vidas (interview)

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