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**Education**

2005 Leadership psychology ("Organisasjonspsykologi og ledelse"), BI  
 2001 Dr.scient. Departement of Biology, University of Oslo  
 1997 Cand.scient. Department of Biology, University of Oslo  
 1991 Foundation course ("grunnfag") in political science  
 1985–1986 Foreign exchange student (AFS) close to Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, U.S.A.

**Current Position(s)**

2015–present Deputy Managing Director Simula Research Laboratory

**Previous Positions**

2013–2015 Deputy Director, NIFU Nordic Institute for Studies in Innovation, Research and Education  
 2012–2012 Senior Advisor, Research Council of Norway  
 2009–2012 Deputy Minister of Research and Higher Education  
 2007–2009 Political adviser to the Minister of Research and Higher Education, Mrs. Tora Aasland (SV)  
 2004–2007 Senior advisor at Abelia, Business Association of Norwegian knowledge- and technology based enterprises. Part of the NHO (Norwegian Confederation of Norwegian Business and Industry)  
 2001–2004 Post Doctoral researcher at the University of Oslo, Department of Biology, Centre for Ecological and Evolutionary Synthesis (CEES). Various consultant assignments of science books  
 1997–1998 Research position with Professor Nils Chr. Stenseth, Department of Biology, Division of zoology, University of Oslo. Member of the Board of Department of Biology  
 1996–1996 Assistant teacher in various courses. Assistant for visually impaired Cand.scient. student  
 1995–1997 Chairman of the international policy group of Socialist Left Party ("Utenrikspolitisk Utvalg")  
 1992–1994 Chairman of political youth movement "Sosialistisk Ungdom" full time  
 1988–1994 Organisational work. Various part-time positions in "Sosialistisk Venstreparti", included work as a campaign secretary  
 1988–1992 Journalism: Various deputy positions (local newspaper "Akershus Amtstidende", freelance writer in "Ny Tid")

**Scientific work**

**Scientific work** Lekve was educated at the University of Oslo, Department of Biology (today Department of Biosciences). His PhD thesis "Spatio-temporal community dynamics of fish in the coastal zone of the Norwegian Skagerrak coast – Patterns and processes" is about diversity of fish. In his thesis work Lekve had extensive cooperation with statisticians, informatics scientists and mathematician, applying time-series analysis and other statistical methods. His supervisor was Professor Nils Christian Stenseth. The group of Professor Stenseth was highly collaborative and internationally oriented. Lekve was involved in the work that eventually lead to the establishment of the Centre of Excellence, Centre for Ecological and Evolutionary Synthesis (CEES) 2008-2017. At Nordic Institute for Studies in Innovation, Research and Education (NIFU), Lekve's research was concentrated on policy of Research and Higher Education from a political science and sociology perspective.

**Political work** Lekve has held several political positions in his career. As a Political advisor and later Deputy Minister of research and higher education, Lekve was involved in all aspects of government policy for research and education in the period 2007-2012. Of particular relevance is that Lekve led the development of several White Papers in the period, including the white papers about research, about teacher education and about education strategy (2009) and the white paper on health and social welfare educations (2012). In his capacity of Deputy Minister Lekve was also involved in liaison work with the parliament and other ministries, as well as contact with external stakeholders and media.

**Leadership and management** In the Ministry of Education and Research Lekve was part of the political leadership of more than 300 employees. Lekve's daily responsibilities was to lead the political aspects of the departments of research and of higher education. At the Nordic Institute for Studies in Innovation, Research and Education (NIFU), Lekve held the position of Deputy Director, with a particular responsibility for research, innovation and higher education, as well as for public relations and stakeholder contact.

## Top publications

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- [3] K. Lekve, N. C. Stenseth, R. Johansen, O. C. Lingjærde, and J. Gjøsæter. Richness dependence and climatic forcing as regulating processes of coastal fish-species richness. *Ecology Letters*, 6:428–439, 2003.
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- [6] K. Lekve, S. Aanstad, F. Piro, T. C. Carlsten, and O. R. Spilling. Godt sagt og godt gjort? Strategievaluering av Det helsevitenskapelige fakultet ved Universitetet i Tromsø-Norges Arktiske Universitet. Technical report, NIFU, 2014.
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- [9] K. Lekve and N. C. Stenseth. Climatic influences on marine fish community ecology, In *Marine Ecosystems and Climate Variation: The North Atlantic. A Comparative Perspective*, pages 123–133. Oxford University Press, Oxford, 2004.
- [10] K. Lekve, N. C. Stenseth, and J. Gjøsæter. Regulation of species richness by advection and richness-dependent processes in a coastal fish community, In *Migrations and Dispersal of Marine Organisms*, pages 93–102. Springer, 2003.