

## Call for position as head of research

A new position has been established as head of research at the Narvik War and Peace Centre. Over the last years the Narvik War and Peace Centre has grown a lot, establishing a new organizational structure, new building and new exhibitions. A position dedicated to research has been part of our structure all the way, and we now seek to strengthen our research profile further. The mandate of the Narvik Centre is to further knowledge about and understanding for peace, international humanitarian law and human rights through research, documentation and dissemination with a particular focus on the WWII-history of the Northern region. We are a non-hierarchical, closely integrated team with close connections between dissemination and research.

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To fill the vacancy, we are looking for someone with a scientific background related to our field of expertise, e.g. the history of the 20<sup>th</sup> Century, political science or humanitarian law. We need you to have broad experience in research, as well as experience in project development, management and leadership. You have a broad network on your subject, outstanding skills in dissemination and are motivated for hands-on research as well as leadership of the research at the Narvik War and Peace Centre.

We participate in several projects in the junction between research and dissemination, the largest of these is the five-year project “In a World of Total War: Norway 1939-45” led by the University of Tromsø. The ongoing research at the Narvik War and Peace Centre is focused on the Second World War in Northern Norway and the Centre has an ambition to be the leading center of knowledge in that field. As head of research you should facilitate the actualization and development of this research in light of broader perspectives on the security situation in the North and knowledge of war, the laws of war, international conventions and human rights.

As head of research you will contribute in building the Narvik War and Peace Centre through research and dissemination on topics suggested by the founding mandate of the institution. You must be able to provide guidance and spread enthusiasm to your co-workers. You must be able to think strategically and creatively about the future research to be done. It is also important to be a skilled educator and to be able to build a professional network. It is a goal that you shall contribute to the increase in the number of researchers at the Centre.

**Core tasks:**

- Development of research strategies, establishment and development of research alliances and networks nationally and internationally within the core disciplines of the Centre.
- Professional guidance and support on projects and activities.
- Dissemination of research projects and results.
- Management of research staff and dialogue with funders and cooperators.
- Own research.
- Participate in the leadership and strategic development of the Centre.

**Qualifications:**

- Qualifications on level of associate professor, preferably holding a Ph. D. The applicant is asked to provide three manuscripts from the publication list that is regarded as particularly relevant to the application. These should be attached as an electronic copy, or as an excerpt in paper (max. 100 pages).
- Experience with leadership within research is preferable.
- Experience in project development.
- National and international professional network.
- Research interests that corresponds to the mandate and subject of the Centre.
- You must be able to make yourself understood in a Scandinavian language orally and in writing to a broad audience.
- We expect you to be present in Narvik and to help build the team here.

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**Expectations to style of work and leadership:**

- Ability to disseminate research and the importance of the research done by the Centre
- An eye for strategy and innovation
- Cooperation and diplomatic leadership skills
- The ability to work in, and lead, an interdisciplinary team
- The ability to establish and maintain professional relationships and network.

**Terms:**

- 3-year tenure-track position.
- The Narvik War and Peace Centre adheres to the collective agreements for government employees. We offer public pension, presently through KLP.
- The position is paid after agreement as Head of research according to the collective agreement for government employees (minimum pay grade 71, currently NOK 646.700,-)
- Possibility to establish relationship with the University of Tromsø or Nord University.

**About the Narvik War and Peace Centre:**

The Narvik War and Peace Centre is a non-profit foundation that does dissemination, documentation and research on issues related to war and conflict. Our story starts with the German attack on Narvik in 1940, the battle for Narvik and the occupation that followed. However, we are also involved in issues not related to the Second World War (WWII). We have a particular focus on the rules of war (IHL) and human rights.

The Narvik War and Peace Centre was founded through a merge of the Nordland Red Cross War Memorial Museum (est. 1964) and Nordnorsk fredssenteret (est. 1990). We are the northernmost of seven Norwegian peace- and human rights funded by the Norwegian Ministry of Education.

We have close ties to regional and national Red Cross with whom we cooperate on dissemination and other projects.

We do educational work towards the three northernmost counties of Norway in addition to our activities at the Narvik War Museum. In 2017 we reached 30.000 persons through our work. Currently there are 11 full positions attached to the Centre, two of these are research positions. In addition, the educational staff does smaller research projects related to educational programmes. The total turn-over in 2017 was NOK 17 million.

### **Application and details**

To apply, please send the application by email to [soknader@narviksenteret.no](mailto:soknader@narviksenteret.no) including an application letter and CV. The applicant is asked to provide three manuscripts from the publication list that is regarded as particularly relevant to the application. These should be attached as an electronic copy. For further information, please contact director Eystein Markusson, phone +47 450 35 418 or email: [em@narviksenteret.no](mailto:em@narviksenteret.no).

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