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cosmopolitan turn and
democratic sentiments

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- **EEA project about «Cosmopolitanism»**
- **Lead focus:** Child protection services and the democratic chain of command
- **Challenge:** Convention on the rights of the child is law of the land...

Main RQ: Do child protection services practice according to the CRC?



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Problem-areas:

1. Post-national turn or national sentiments – how are child protection services coping?
2. Character of the citizenship of the child – is the citizenship construct conceived of as based in human rights?
3. Is child protection services CRC-leaning or is it not.
 - If not: Leaning where?

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Problem-areas (cont.)

4. Popular sovereignty, democratic entrustments.

What does the population think/want?

5. What does cosmopolitan “leaning” entail across different actors surrounding the child protection services?

- Legislation, popular opinion, public discourse align with the rights ethos of CRC Art. 2, Art. 3, Art. 12. ECHR Art. 8

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Problem-area (cont.)

6. The democratic logic: According to entrustment and trusted?

7. Are social workers leaning towards being driven by rights? Just a facade? Is the child's best interest just a trope?

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Problem-areas (cont.)

8. Crisis in Child Protection Services and trust in child protection services?

- 43 cases in the ECHR
- Naustdal-case sparked global outrage
- NGOs, authoritarians, religious extremists fighting Nordic child protection regimes

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Theory:

A lot of theoretical material is taught in the elective
SFV4400 Human Rights in Social Work

- Human rights theory
- Sociology of the professions
- Citizenship-theory
- Social work as a human rights profession

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Data:

We can provide access to a nation-wide survey from both Romania and Norway.

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Data:

You can also do research only from Norway – it does not need to be comparative as long a cosmopolitan approach is either investigated or being used to investigate.

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Tutoring:

It will be seminars, where we discuss and push your master thesis further.

It will also be individual supervision.

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Q&A-time



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