

## NICHOLAS MARSH CURRICULUM VITAE

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### Qualifications

**MA (Distinction)** International Conflict Analysis. University of Kent, 1995.  
**BSc. Econ. (Hons 2.1.)** International Relations and Area Studies (East Asia). University of Wales, Aberystwyth, 1994.

### Career Highlights

#### **2001 – Present: Research fellow, Peace Research Institute Oslo (PRIO)**

I currently work as a researcher on a portfolio of four projects on Security Force Assistance. From 2001 to 2017 I ran the Norwegian Initiative on Small Arms Transfers (NISAT) project on the global trade in small arms and light weapons. While running the project I was in charge of a team of 4-6 people. I have worked closely with users of research in the policy community including being a member of the Norwegian Ministry of Foreign Affairs delegation to several UN conferences on arms control, and worked with (among others) EU DG Home Affairs, the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe, and the United Nations Institute for Disarmament Research. I have published research on the relationship between arms and violence, including as co-editor of the 2012 volume *Small Arms Crime and Conflict* which examines the relationship between governance, arms proliferation and violence.

#### **2001 – Present: Consultant, Small Arms Survey**

I have been commissioned to co-author five chapters on the international trade in small arms and light weapons for their eponymous yearbook. I also provide data and analysis on the small arms trade, and

review drafts by other authors, for other publications produced by the Small Arms Survey.

#### **2014 – 2015: Consultant, UN Office on Drugs and Crime**

Research on global firearms trafficking. One of three co-authors of a ground-breaking global study on illicit weapons proliferation, including in Africa. The study involved collecting, validating and analysing official information on firearms seizures submitted by 45 countries. I presented findings at UN and OSCE conferences.

#### **2007 – 2008: Led a project with the South Africa based Institute for Security Studies**

The project was designed to assist the implementation of the Southern African Development Community protocol on preventing the proliferation of small arms. Involved working with police and customs officials in the region.

#### **2004 – 2008: Chair, European research network**

Ran COST Action A25 which coordinated the study of the relationship between small arms availability and violence (especially in developing countries). The network had over 60 members from universities and institutes across Europe and beyond.

#### **1996 – 2001: Sir Tim Garden Research Fellow, UK Defence Forum**

I was part of a small team that set up in 1996 a still extant a UK based think tank on defence and foreign policy issues. I was responsible for production of research outputs: writing original material, commissioning research and editing others' work. We held monthly meetings involving decision-makers in government, the armed forces, trade unions and industry.

### Data base and data visualization

I set up and ran for 17 years the NISAT database of the global trade in small arms

and light weapons. The project conducted daily media monitoring on licit and illicit arms proliferation, and obtained information on the arms trade from official data. It hosted an online database that contains over 1.3 million records of global small arms transfers, and an archive of over 60 000 documents.

In 2012 in partnership with Google Ideas and the Igarapé Institute of Brazil we launched an award winning Mapping Arms Data visualization of the small arms trade: <https://www.prio.org/Data/Mapping-Arms-Data/> The technology was further developed by PRIO and the Igarapé Institute of Brazil and in 2015 we launched the Homicide Monitor, a data visualization of global homicide statistics: <http://homicide.igarape.org.br/>

### **Journals and publishers**

Editorial board member of the journal *International Studies Perspectives* from 2005 to 2009.

I have provided peer reviews for several journals, including the *Journal of Peace Research*, *Conflict Management and Peace Science*, and the *Journal of Conflict Resolution*. I have provided reviews for Oxford University Press, Cambridge University Press, United Nations University Press and the National Science Foundation.

In 2012 I was co-editor of a book published by Routledge.

### **Public engagement with research**

Until 2017 I ran the Twitter account @NisatPRIO which is updated daily with arms trade information and has over 1700 followers.

I have frequently been quoted in the media on the licit and illicit arms trade and its effects, including by the New York Times, BBC and Deutsche Welle.

I have been involved with close cooperation with the NGOs Amnesty International, Control Arms, Transparency International, Norwegian Church Aid and Norwegian Red Cross. Activities have involved providing regular news updates on the arms trade, writing material published by the NGOs, joint publications and reviewing draft documents.

### **Grants awarded**

While at PRIO every year I have raised from outside sources my salary, and that of the team working on the database project.

Notable grants include circa EUR 300 000 from the European Science Foundation for activities of COST Action A25 (Nicholas Marsh was the proposer and Chair of the Action) from 2004-2008; and NOK 1 million from the Norwegian Ministry of Defence in 2005 for research on the relationship between arms flows and conflict.

The contribution in kind from Google Ideas in developing the Mapping Arms Data visualization was estimated to be worth about USD 100 000.

I have received funding from the Norwegian Ministry of Foreign Affairs to run the NISAT project on the small arms trade from 2001 to 2016. Recent grants include:

2016 NOK 1 million  
2015 NOK 1 million  
2014 NOK 1.8 million  
2013 NOK 1.8 million  
2012 NOK 1 million  
2011 NOK 1.46 million  
2010 NOK 1 million

After I started running the NISAT project in 2001 I secured follow-on funding from the MacArthur Foundation and the Ford Foundation.

## Publications

Single author peer reviewed articles and chapters:

Marsh, Nicholas, 2017. 'Brothers Came Back with Weapons: The Effects of Arms Proliferation from Libya', *PRISM*, vol. 6, no 4, pp. 79-96.

Marsh, Nicholas, 2015, 'Firearms Seizures and Trafficking: A «Local» Phenomenon', *The Strategic Trade Review*, vol. 1, no. 1, pp. 73–87.

Marsh, Nicholas, 2012. 'The Tools of Insurgency: a Review of the Role of Small Arms and Light Weapons in Warfare' in Nicholas Marsh and Owen Greene eds. *Small Arms, Crime and Conflict Global Governance and the Threat of Armed Violence*. London: Routledge, pp. 13-28.

Marsh, Nicholas. 2007. 'Conflict Specific Capital: The Role of Weapons Acquisition in Civil War.' *International Studies Perspectives*, Vol. 8, No. 1, pp. 54–72.

Marsh, Nicholas. 2007. 'Taming the Tools of Violence.' *Journal of Public Health Policy*, Vol. 28, pp. 401–409.

Marsh, Nicholas, 2006. 'The Nordic Countries and Conventional Arms Control: The Case of Small Arms and Light Weapons' in Alyson J.K. Bailes, Gunilla Herolf and Bengt Sundelius eds. *The Nordic Countries and the European Security and Defence Policy*. Oxford: Oxford University Press, pp. 234–251.

Co-authored peer reviewed articles and chapters:

McDougal, Topher; Athena Kolbe, Robert Muggah and Nicholas Marsh. 2018. 'Ammunition leakage from military to civilian markets: market price evidence from Haiti, 2004–2012', *Defence and Peace Economics*. DOI: 10.1080/10242694.2018.1492226.

Hansen, Susanne and Nicholas Marsh, 2015. 'Normative power and organized

hypocrisy: European Union member states' arms export to Libya.' *European Security*, vol. 24, no. 2, pp. 264-286.

Marsh, Nicholas and Atina Karim, 2015. 'Article 13 – Reporting.' In Clare da Silva, Tom Haeck and Brian Wood eds. *Weapons and international law: the Arms Trade Treaty*. Brussels: Larcier.

Greene, Owen and Nicholas Marsh. 2012. 'Armed Violence within Societies' in Nicholas Marsh and Owen Greene eds, *Small Arms, Crime and Conflict Global Governance and the Threat of Armed Violence*. London: Routledge, pp. 79–104.

Greene, Owen and Nicholas Marsh, 2012. 'Governance and Small Arms and Light Weapons' in Nicholas Marsh and Owen Greene eds. *Small Arms, Crime and Conflict Global Governance and the Threat of Armed Violence*. London: Routledge, pp. 163–182.

Grzybowski, Janis, Nicholas Marsh and Matt Schroeder, 2012. 'Piece by Piece Authorized Transfers of Parts and Accessories' in *Small Arms Survey 2012: Moving Targets*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, pp. 241-281.

Jackson, Thomas and Nicholas Marsh, 2012. 'Guns and Deaths: A Critical Review' in Nicholas Marsh and Owen Greene eds, *Small Arms, Crime and Conflict Global Governance and the Threat of Armed Violence*. London: Routledge, pp. 105–121.

Kreutz, Joakim and Nicholas Marsh, 2012. 'Lethal Instruments: Small Arms and Deaths in Armed Conflict' in Nicholas Marsh and Owen Greene eds, *Small Arms, Crime and Conflict global governance and the threat of armed violence*. London: Routledge, pp. 43–63.

Kreutz, Joakim, Manuela Torre and Nicholas Marsh, 2012. 'Regaining State Control: Arms and Violence in Post-conflict Countries' in Nicholas Marsh and Owen Greene eds. *Small Arms, Crime and Conflict Global Governance and the*

*Threat of Armed Violence*. London: Routledge, pp. 64–76.

Herron, Patrick, Matt Schroeder, Nicholas Marsh and Jasna Lazarevic, 2011. 'Larger but Less Known: Authorized Light Weapons Transfers' in *Small Arms Survey 2011: States of Security*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press (8–41).

Herron, Patrick, Nicholas Marsh, Matt Schroeder and Jasna Lazarevic. 2010. 'Emerging From Obscurity: The Global Ammunition Trade.' In Eric Berman, et al. eds. *Small Arms Survey 2010 Gangs, Groups, and Guns*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, pp. 6-39.

Dreyfus, Pablo, Nicholas Marsh, Matt Schroeder and Jasna Lazarevic. 2009. 'Sifting the Sources Authorized Small Arms Transfers.' In Eric Berman et al. eds. *Small Arms Survey 2009 Shadows of War*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, pp. 6–59.

Marsh, Nicholas and Aaron Karp. 2003. 'Global Small Arms Transfers: Insights and Mysteries' in Peter Batchelor and Keith Krause eds. *Small Arms Survey 2003: Development Denied*. Oxford: Oxford University Press, pp. 97–123.

#### Monograph

Holden, Paul; Sarah Detzner; Bridget Conley-Zilkic; Alex de Waal; John Dunne; Andrew Feinstein; William Hartung; Paul Holtom; Lora Lumpe; Nicholas Marsh; Sam Perlo-Freeman; Hennie van Vuuren & Leah Wawro, 2017, *Indefensible Seven Myths that Sustain the Global Arms Trade*. London: Zed Books.

#### Edited volume

Greene, Owen and Nicholas Marsh eds, 2012. *Small Arms, Crime and Conflict: Global Governance and the Threat of Armed Violence*. London: Routledge.

#### Non-peer reviewed articles and chapters

Marsh, Nicholas. 2019. 'Preventing Diversion: A Challenge for Arms Trade Treaty States Parties', *The Journal of Research Institute for the History of Global Arms Transfer*, vol. 8, pp. 55–66.

Marsh, Nicholas. 2018. 'The Availability Puzzle: Considering the Relationship between Arms and Violence Taking Place within States', *The Journal of Research Institute for the History of Global Arms Transfer* vol. 6, pp. 3–21.

Marsh, Nicholas. 2003. 'Significant Exporters of Small Arms and Light Weapons', *Human Security Bulletin*, vol. 1, no. 4.

Jackson, Thomas, Nicholas Marsh and Anne Thurin, 2005. 'The Efficacy of EU Export Control Measures Concerning Small Arms and Light Weapons Small Arms and Light Weapons Transfers'. In *Small Arms and Light Weapons Transfers*. Geneva: United Nations Institute for Disarmament Research.

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#### Reports

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Karim, Atina and Nicholas Marsh, 2015. *State Positions and Practices Concerning Reporting and The Arms Trade Treaty*, New York: Control Arms.

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Karp, Aaron, Nicholas Marsh and Giorgio Ravalgi, 2015. *UNODC Study on Firearms 2015*. Vienna: UN Office on Drugs and Crime.

Corney, Neil and Nicholas Marsh, 2013. *Aiming for Control: The need to include ammunition in the Arms Trade Treaty*. PRIO Paper. Oslo: PRIO.

Marsh, Nicholas with Peter Dansseart and Clare da Silva. 2011. *Our Right To Know Transparent Reporting Under An Arms Trade Treaty*, London: Amnesty International.

Holm, Kyrre and Nicholas Marsh, with Anne Thurin. 2006. *Bullets Without Borders: Improving Control and Oversight Over Norwegian Arms Production, Exports and Investments*, Oslo: Norwegian Church Aid and Amnesty International Norway.

Marsh, Nicholas and Pablo Dreyfus. 2006. *Tracking the Guns: International Diversion of Small Arms to Illicit Markets in Rio de Janeiro*. Rio de Janeiro: Viva Rio.

Jackson, Thomas, Nicholas Marsh, Taylor Owen and Anne Thurin. 2005. *Who Takes the Bullet? – The Impact of Small Arms Violence*. Oslo: Norwegian Church Aid.

Lumpe, Lora, Maria Haug, Nicholas Marsh and Martin Langvandslie. 2002. *Shining a Light on Small Arms Exports: The Record of State Transparency*, Geneva: Small Arms Survey.

Translated chapter

Greene, Owen & Nicholas Marsh. 2016. 'A violência armada em sociedades não envolvidas em conflitos violentos', in Moura, Tatiana; José Manuel Pureza; & Rita Santos, eds, *Violências e armas de fogo em Portugal*. Coimbra: Livraria Almedina, pp. 31–86.

Popular articles

Rolandsen, Øystein, Marie Sandnes, and Nicholas Marsh. 2017. 'Hvor langt skal vi gå for å stoppe innvandring til Europa?' *Aftenposten*, 8 November.

Sandvik, Kristin, Maral Mirshahi and Nicholas Marsh. 2014. Killer robots – hvorfor ønsker man et forbud? *NRK Ytring*, 12 May.

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Sandvik, Kristin and Nicholas Marsh. 2014. 'Lethal Autonomous Weapons: Issues for the International Community', *Security & Defence Agenda*, 9 May.

Marsh, Nicholas. 2013. 'Ambition and activism on the arms trade', *Reinventing Peace*, 1 July.

Ormhaug, Christin and Nicholas Marsh. 2006. Kontroll med våpenhandelen? *Dagbladet*, 17 January.

I have also written numerous conference papers, working papers, briefing papers and blog posts. Details are available on request.