

Colonel Professor John Andreas Olsen

Short biography



Dr. John Andreas Olsen is director in the Norwegian Ministry of Defence, head of section for security policy analyses, colonel in the Royal Norwegian Air Force and visiting professor at the Swedish Defence University. He was the deputy commander and chief of the NATO Advisory Team at NATO Headquarters, Sarajevo, from 2009 to 2012. His previous assignments include tours as dean of the Norwegian Defence University College and head of its division for strategic studies.

Colonel Olsen is a graduate of the German Command and Staff College and has served both as liaison officer to the German Operational Command in Potsdam and as military assistant to the Norwegian Embassy in Berlin. He has a doctorate in history and international relations from De Montfort University, a master's degree in contemporary literature from the University of Warwick, and a master's degree in English from the University of Trondheim.

Professor Olsen is the author of *Strategic Air Power in Desert Storm* (2003) and *John Warden and the Renaissance of American Air Power* (2007); coauthor of *Destination NATO: Defence Reform in Bosnia and Herzegovina, 2003–2013* (2013); editor of *On New Wars* (2006), *A History of Air Warfare* (2010), *Global Air Power* (2011), *Air Commanders* (2012), *European Air Power* (2014) and *Airpower Reborn* (2015); and coeditor of *The Evolution of Operational Art* (2011) and *The Practice of Strategy* (2012).

Olsen has received several awards for his command and work.