Mr. Knut Rosandhaug Professional Bio

Mr. Knut Rosandhaug is a national of Norway with more than 20 years of progressive experience in the areas of policy-making, negotiations, programme management, and law with a legal focus on human rights and conflict resolution. He commenced employment in a banking institution, where he worked in finance services for three years.

In 1985, he joined the Norwegian Armed Forces as an Investigator. Then from 1987 to 1994 he worked as a Security Specialist, during which time he began to pursue academic studies in the field of Law. In 1996, immediately upon obtaining his law degree at the University of Bergen in Norway, he worked as an Assistant Law Professor until 1999. During the period from 1998 to 2000, he took a sabbatical to serve in the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) as a Legal Officer under the Norwegian Defense Command.

In 2000, Mr. Rosandhaug embarked on a career within the United Nations (UN) system in the capacity of Legal Officer at the UN Human Settlements Programme (UN-HABITAT) stationed in Kosovo, where his duties expanded from purely legal matters to include administration and operational management.

From 2003 to 2004 he became a Regional Coordinator in Belgrade, for an Intergovernmental Organization, The Stability Pact for South-Eastern Europe. He then re-joined the UN system as a Director at the UN Mission in Kosovo (UNMIK).

In Mr. Rosandhaug's most recent posting with UNMIK over the past four years, he was responsible for coordination of all legal, administrative, and operational activities for the Kosovo Property Agency and the Kosovo Property Claims Commission, adjudicating conflict related disputes. He assumes his new role as Coordinator of the UN Assistance to the Khmer Rouge Trials and Deputy Director of the Extraordinary Chambers in the Courts of Cambodia as of 1 June 2008.