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Summary	<p>Synne Bergby is an urban development professional specialised in urban analysis and planning, with rapid urban growth, migration affected cities, urban poverty, the relation between the formal and informal city, and urban crisis response as focus areas. Between 2013-2017 Bergby was deployed by the Norwegian Refugee Council to UN-Habitat Lebanon as Programme Planning Advisor. In Lebanon she was amongst others responsible for building up an urban analysis unit, providing cross-sectoral and spatial studies on the impact of the Syrian refugee crisis on the key cities in Lebanon. Before her deployment to Lebanon, Bergby was the chair of Habitat Norway, a Norwegian non-governmental organization addressing global urban development issues, urban poverty and slums. Upon returning to Oslo in 2018, Bergby worked as a consultant to Rodeo Architects on their international portfolio, before she established Urban-A where she is now general manager and senior analyst.</p>
Nationality	Norwegian
Language proficiency	<p>Norwegian: fluency written and spoken English: Advanced proficiency written and spoken Italian, French, Spanish: Basic spoken</p>
Education/ Qualifications	<p>2005 – 2011, Master of Architecture and Urbanism, The Oslo School of Architecture and Design (Oslo, Norway) Diploma thesis on the use of online mapping tools in humanitarian response, with case study of the response to the earthquake in Haiti in 2010.</p> <p>2003 – 2004, Undergraduate Development studies, Oslo Metropolitan University (Oslo, Norway) Focus on African Development. Thesis on the World Bank's Structural Development Plans effect on the agricultural sector in Zambia.</p>
Professional certifications	<p>Basic Security in the Field Certification 1&2. United Nations Department of Safety & Security (2016)</p> <p>2018 - today, Urban-A (Oslo, Norway), General Manager and Senior Analyst Primary activities and outputs:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Organisational build up, strategy, recruitment of consultants, establish partnerships • Developing urban analysis, strategy and evaluation methodologies • Team lead of urban analysis and strategy consultancies for various international partners <p>2018 (6 m.), Rodeo Architects (Oslo, Norway), Urban Development, Urban Crisis Response & Global South Specialist Primary activities and outputs:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Development of Rodeo Architect's international portfolio, including the development of a strategy to further strengthen Rodeo's engagement abroad. • Project development, including Farm for the Future (Iringa, Tanzania), Masimamo Youth Educators (Dar es Salaam, Tanzania), and Varthur Lake (Bengaluru, India).
Employment Record/ Experience	<p>2014 – 2017, UN-Habitat (Beirut, Lebanon), Programme Planning Expert Primary activities and outputs:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Contribute to the development and strengthening of UN-Habitat's overall Programme strategy in Lebanon, especially an Urban Crisis Response Programme and Municipal support. The Urban Crisis Response Programme included a comprehensive partnership between UN-Habitat and UNICEF, for profiling of urban vulnerabilities, with focus on vulnerabilities amongst host and refugee children and their families, as well as social and physical service provision. Between 2015 and 2017, the responsibilities included development of a joint partnership framework, budget and log frame, as well function as UN-Habitat's lead person in the joint task group to review methodologies for urban vulnerability assessments, strategy formulation and local capacity building. • Provide technical support and backup to unit leaders mainly in elaboration of intervention strategies and the units' work plans to reach organizational outcome targets. • Establish and provide technical support to the Urban Analysis Unit in developing City and Neighbourhood Profiling tools (spatial assessments of social, economic, population, migration impact and conflict trends of urban areas) and research on Housing, Land and Property issues related to Syrian refugees' living situation in Lebanon and potential rights upon return to Syria. <p>Examples of Neighbourhood and City Profiles; https://unhabitat.org/tabbaneh-neighbourhood-profile-2018-tripoli-lebanon/</p>

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- Contribute to the strengthening of operations.
- Develop Project Proposals and mobilise funds. Contributed to the securing of a 32 mill USD fund from the EU Madad for a joint UNDP/UN-Habitat Municipal resilience programme.
- Represent the agency in the UN Country Team's Programme Management Team, stand-in representative the UN Country Team, donor meetings and meeting with government counterparts. Representing the agency in response planning (Lebanon Crisis Response Plan 2017-2020 and UN Strategic Framework 2017- 2020). Represented UN-Habitat in various sector meetings including Shelter, WASH, Social Stability and Prevention of Violent Extremism. Co-lead the Shelter with UNHCR and the Ministry of Social Affairs for a year.

2013 – 2014, UN-HABITAT (Beirut, Lebanon), Shelter / Planning Support Officer

Primary activities and outputs:

- Contribute to the development and resource mobilization of Shelter and WASH projects in response to the Syrian Refugee Crisis.
- Represent UN-Habitat in various sector meetings.
- Contribute to field assessments and alignment with local authorities.
- Contribute in infrastructure assessments and mapping efforts.

2011 – today, Norwegian Capacity, Norwegian Refugee Council (Oslo, Norway)

Roster member, Urban Crisis Expert within the NORCAP roster.

2011 – 2015, Habitat Norway (Oslo, Norway), Chair

Primary activities and outputs:

- Development of organisational plan and strategy, mobilize funds, liaise with partner organizations, academic institutions and government counterparts.
- Restructuring and modernization of the organisation, including the renewing of its profile, resulting in increased activities and members.

2007 – 2012, The Nobel Peace Centre (Oslo, Norway), Host

- Host and shift leader at the center during various events, including programme related to the Nobel Peace Prize awards.

2004 – 2005, The Norwegian Center for Child Behavioral Development, Data Assistant

- Preparation and cleaning of research data in SPSS.

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