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Trude Eliassen, Senior Adviser, The Norwegian Ministry of Labour and Social affairs, Department of Labour Market Affairs has been working on a wide range of tasks concerning active labour market policies in Norway. She currently works on three main tasks; labour market policies to reduce youth unemployment, the Ministry's management of The Labour and Welfare Directorate (The Public Employment Services), and The agreement on a more inclusive working life (the IA Agreement) agreed upon by the authorities, employees and employers in Norway (2001-2018).

Earlier she has worked on several key policy documents such as, a "white paper regarding the role of The Norwegian Labour and Welfare Administration (NAV)", "The White paper on Work, Welfare and Inclusion", "The Jobs Strategy for People with Disabilities" and "The follow up plan for work and mental health".

Between 2007-2009 she held a position as seconded EFTA national expert to the European Commission, in "Directorate-General for Employment, Social Affairs and Equal Opportunities" in Brussels, Belgium. Her main responsibilities were disadvantaged groups e.g. people with disabilities and people with mental health problems.