

## **BIO - Mette Eliseussen**

**Mette is from Norway, but has lived half her life abroad in North and South America, Asia, Africa and Australia. Before she was 18 she was speaking English, German, Spanish and Norwegian.**

**A Sociologist by training she has worked as a Drug Addict Counsellor, Bar and Restaurant Manager, Journalist, Trauma Counsellor, Publisher Manager as well as a Mountain Rescue specialist for over 20 years.**

**She lived for 7 years in the heart of the Afghan Wars from 1990 till 1997 as the Program Manger for Save the Children and won the Barn av Jorden Award (Children of the Earth Prize 1997) for her work with children in war.**

**This added her 5<sup>th</sup> language, Persian. She took part in founding the national Campaigns to Ban Landmines in Norway and Afghanistan, and become active in the International Campaign from 1996.**

**She is a trainer in Safety and Security for aid workers in conflict zones and a Creative Consultant.**

**Many international programs involving women, children and micro credit in areas of conflict have been designed and implemented by her.**

**Now she is finishing her Masters Degree.**