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Speaker & Expert CV | October 2026

Expertise: Humanitarian action and diplomacy; humanitarian negotiation; mediation and peace processes; Gulf and UAE foreign policy; disaster risk reduction and response; Southeast Asia, especially the Philippines.

SELECTED INVITED TALKS & PANELS

- Speaker, Diplomacy Lab fireside chat 'The Back Channel' on back-channel diplomacy and peace processes, in conversation with Vanessa Ghanem of The National, Emirates Towers, Dubai, 17 September 2026.
- Invited speaker, 'Giving Across Borders: The Humanitarian Perspective', closed roundtable, Abrahamic Family House, Abu Dhabi, 10 September 2026.

SELECTED MEDIA & COMMENTARY

- Podcast guest, War on the Rocks, with Robert Mason in a discussion hosted by Kerry Anderson on deterrence, Gulf security and the co-authored War on the Rocks article listed below, 28 April 2026.
- Mason, R. and Jalkebro, R., 'The End of Managed Escalation in the Gulf', *War on the Rocks*, 16 April 2026.
- Al Dhaheri, M. and Jalkebro, R., 'A Bad Deal Today Means a Bigger War Tomorrow', *Project Syndicate*, 6 April 2026.
- Jalkebro, R., 'Hormuz crisis: When an energy shock becomes a food emergency', *Gulf News*, April 2026.

SELECTED MODERATION & FACILITATION

- Moderator, discussion with Alex Davies-Jones MP, UK Minister for Victims, Violence Against Women and Girls and International Justice, and HM Ambassador to the UAE Geraldine McCafferty, ahead of the Fifteenth UN Congress on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice, AGDA, Abu Dhabi, 25 September 2026.
- Moderator, panel 'Changing Patterns in Foreign Aid', Hili Forum 2026 (co-organised by AGDA and the Emirates Center for Strategic Studies and Research), Abu Dhabi, 7 September 2026.
- Lead facilitator, leadership simulation 'Corridor under Pressure', and speaker, 'From Hub to Influence: The UAE, the Gulf, and the Future of Humanitarian Diplomacy', workshop for senior leaders 'Leading Humanitarian Negotiation and Diplomacy Processes' (Centre of Competence on Humanitarian Negotiation, Dubai Humanitarian and AGDA), Dubai, 16–17 June 2026.

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

- Jalkebro, R. (2026) 'Intersecting hazards and insecurity: Disaster governance, displacement, and conflict risk in the Philippines', *International Journal of Disaster Risk Reduction*, 145, 106456 (open access).
- Kadıoğlu, P. and Jalkebro, R. (2023) 'The Bangsamoro Impasse: Islamic Extremism, State Violence, and Other Spoilers to the Peace Process', *Journal of Terrorism and Radicalization Studies*, 2(1), pp. 74–110.

Academic credentials: PhD in International Relations, University of St Andrews; MA in Peace and Conflict Studies, Uppsala University; MA in International Relations, University of Gothenburg.