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He is on leave from the European Environment Agency (EEA) in which he led their work on sustainable consumption & production (SCP) and waste, from 2006 to 2014. He is a trained economist from the University of Copenhagen and has over 20 years of experience on analytical and policy aspects of sustainable development from various international organizations. Prior to joining the EEA in 2003, Lars has worked at the OECD Environment Directorate, the secretariat of the UN Commission on Sustainable Development and the Danish Ministry of Environment.

Lars has written and co-written a large number of reports and articles on various aspects of sustainable development and produced films on sustainability. Highlights include the 2014 EEA indicator report on environmental impacts of production and consumption systems; the 2014 Global Green Growth Forum branding film "What is 3GF?"; the 2012 update and 2010 version of the EEA assessment on consumption and the environment; the 2005 EEA report on household consumption and the environment; the 2001 OECD environmental outlook; the 2001 OECD environment strategy; the 1998 UN report on measuring sustainable consumption and production; and the 1995 UN report on indicators of sustainable development. He regularly makes keynotes and presentations on various aspects of sustainable development and he currently sits in various European and global advisory boards and panels on sustainability.