

### INSS Senior Staff Biography

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Mr. L. Erik Kjonnerod is a Senior Analyst and supervisory Division Chief of the Security Strategy and Policy Division in the National Strategic Gaming Center. He assumed his responsibilities in 1989.

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Professor Kjonnerod earned his B.A. degree from Rutgers University in 1967 and M.A. from the University of Illinois in 1974. At the end of his current academic program, he will receive a Doctorate of Arts in Education from George Mason University. He has published widely on a number of regional and functional topics to include interagency operations, refugee and migration assessments, and U.S.- Latin American security strategy and civil-military relations. He is an Adjunct Professor at George Washington University and the Foreign Service Institute. He was awarded the Commanders Award for Outstanding Civilian Performance for his efforts in counter-drug initiatives in Latin America.