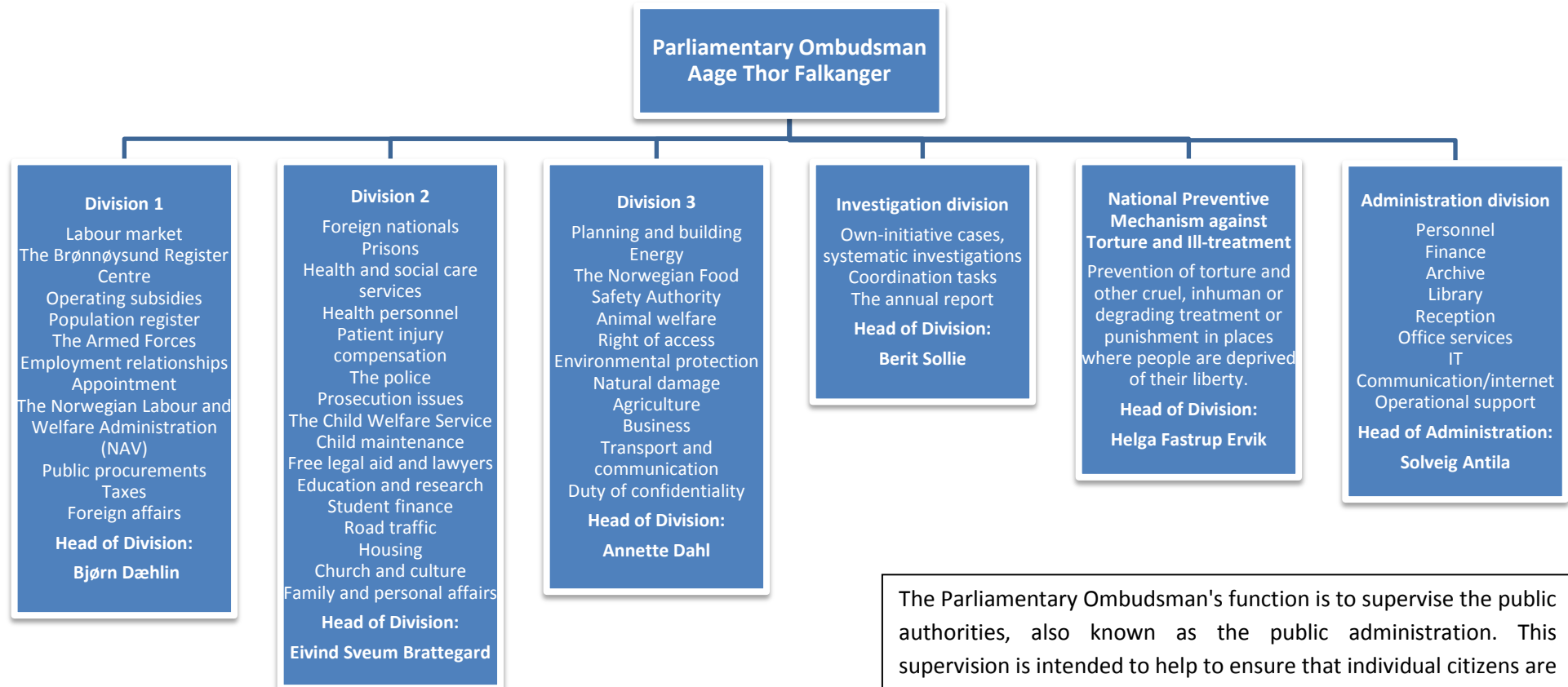




SIVILOMBUDSMANNEN

Norwegian Parliamentary Ombudsman



The Parliamentary Ombudsman's function is to supervise the public authorities, also known as the public administration. This supervision is intended to help to ensure that individual citizens are not unjustly treated by the public administration. Most of the cases that the Ombudsman considers are based on complaints from the general public, but the Ombudsman can also raise cases on his own initiative. The Ombudsman can carry out investigations and is entitled to state his opinions. The public administration complies with the Ombudsman's recommendations, but has no legal obligation to do so.