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education / qualifications

PhD Political Science, 2001-2006 (*cum laude*)
Vrije Universiteit, Amsterdam, The Netherlands
Thesis: Politics of Sovereignty

MScEcon International Politics, 1999-2000
University of Wales, Aberystwyth, United Kingdom
Specialist Degree: International Relations Theory

MA Public Administration and Management (Bestuurskunde), 1994-1999
Twente University, Enschede, The Netherlands
Specialisation: International Relations and International Law

academic positions

Assistant Professor at Leiden University, Department of Political Science (Aug 2006–)
Visiting Fellow at European University Institute, Department of Law, Florence (Jan-May 2009)
Lecturer at the *Vrije Universiteit*, Amsterdam, Department of Political Science (2004-2006)

awards, fellowships, grants

Research Activation Grant, Netherlands Institute of Governance (2009)
scholarship Van Coeverden Adriani Stichting (2009)
visiting fellowship, European University Institute, Department of Law, Florence (2009)
Jean Blondel PhD Prize 2007 of the European Consortium for Political Research (ECPR)
Annual Dissertation Award 2007 of the Dutch Political Science Association (NKWP)

COST Action A24 (program for European Cooperation in the field of Scientific and
Technical Research), travel grant (2006)

Stipend executive post Faculty of Social Sciences, *Vrije Universiteit* (2002-2004)
VSB scholarship for postgraduate education abroad (1999-2000)
various travel grants from Netherlands Institute of Governance, ECPR, VU fund

publications (see separate document)

teaching experience

INSTRUCTOR

MA course International Relations: Studying the War on Terror, Leiden University (2007-2010)

MA seminar Humanitarian Intervention, Leiden University (2006-2010)
MPhil Frontiers of Political Science I State of the Art, Leiden University (2009-2010)
MPhil Frontiers of Political Science II Classical Readings, Leiden University (2008-2010)
BA International Politics [BA1], Leiden University (2006-2007)
BA thesis lab [BA3]: Global Lobbying?! Global civil society & political change, Leiden University (2007-8)
BA thesis lab [BA3]: Humanitarian Intervention, Leiden University (2006-2007)
BA course International Relations [BA3], University College Utrecht (2005-2006)
BA course Political Science [BA1], *Vrije Universiteit*, Amsterdam (2002-2004)
BA course Global History [BA1], *Vrije Universiteit*, Amsterdam (2002-2005)

Supervision of BA and MA theses

TEACHING COURSES

scriptiebegeleiding, *ICLON*, Universiteit Leiden (2006)
teaching seminars, *ICLON*, Universiteit Leiden (2006)
teaching course II, *Onderwijscentrum Vrije Universiteit*, Amsterdam (2004)
certificate 'Teaching in English', *Onderwijscentrum Vrije Universiteit*, Amsterdam (2003)
teaching course I, *Onderwijscentrum Vrije Universiteit*, Amsterdam (2002)

affiliations and research groups

Netherlands Institute of Governance (senior member), Dutch Political Science Association (board member), European Consortium for Political Research, British International Studies Association, International Studies Association, VIEW working group on IR and International Law

professional presentations

- 'Governing sovereigns through the politics of law', paper presentation in the workshop 'Diffusion of Authority? Changing Patterns of International Governance' at the ECPR Joint Sessions 2009, 13-19 April, Lisbon [under review with SSCI ranked journal]
- 'Disciplining Softly. The Counter-Terrorism Committee and the Making of Responsible Sovereigns' (with Wouter Werner), paper presentation at the 50th Annual Convention International Studies Association, New York, 15-18 February 2009 [under review with SSCI ranked journal]
- 'Discipline, Recht, Politiek' (with Wouter Werner), paper presentation at the Annual Conference of the Netherlands Institute of Governance, Enschede, 20-21 November 2008 [published in *Vrede en Veiligheid*, 38(3), 2009]
- 'Mobilising Sovereignty, Responsibility and Uncertainty: A Foucaultian Perspective on the Counter-Terrorist Committee' (with Wouter Werner), paper presentation at VIEW conference Mobilisations of Uncertainty and Responsibility in International Politics & International Law, Netherlands Defence Academy, Breda, 20-22 November 2008 [under review with SSCI ranked journal]
- 'Risk Management and Failure?! Post 9/11 Governmentality, International Order and Failing States', paper presentation at the 49th Annual Convention International Studies Association, San Francisco, 26-29 March 2008
- 'Sovereign Subjectivity. Discipline and governmentality in the new world order', paper presentation at the 6th Pan-European Conference, Standing Group on International Relations, ECPR, Turino, 12-15 September 2007
- 'Children's games and Sovereign States. Charles Manning's constructivism *avant-la-lettre*', paper presentation at the 6th Pan-European Conference, Standing Group on International Relations, ECPR, Turino, 12-15 September 2007 [forthcoming in *European Journal of International Relations* 16(2), 2010]

- 'Failure as Risk – governmentality of development as security', paper presentation at the 6th Pan-European Conference, Standing Group on International Relations, ECPR, Turino, 12-15 September 2007
- 'Constructing Sovereignty between Politics and Law', invited speaker Symposium 'The Meaning of Sovereignty in the XXI Century', Faculty of Law, University of Amsterdam, 29 June 2007
- 'The Sovereignty-Discipline-Governmentality triad and the case of state failure', paper presentation at Nordic International Studies Association, University of Southern Denmark, 23-25 May 2007
- 'Sovereignty as Discipline', paper presentation at the Annual Conference, British International Studies Association, University of Cork, Ireland, 18-20 December 2006
- COST ACTION A24: The evolving social construction of threats (EU program for European Cooperation in the field of Scientific and Technical Research), invited discussant at the conference on 'Security, Technologies of Risk, and the Political', The Open University, London, 23-24 November 2006
- 'It's All in the Game. The English School on Sovereignty-Politics-Law', paper presentation at the 46th Annual Convention, International Studies Association, Honolulu, 1-5 March 2005
- 'The Sovereignty Game States Play', paper presentation at the 5th Pan-European Conference, Standing Group on International Relations, ECPR, The Hague, 9-11 September 2004
- 'Taking the Middle Ground Seriously: Towards a Communicative Approach to Social Enquiry' (with Rens van Munster), paper presentation at the 5th Pan-European Conference, Standing Group on International Relations, ECPR, The Hague, 9-11 September 2004 [published in *International Politics* 45(6), 2008]
- 'Sovereignty Reloaded? A Constructivist Perspective on European Research', paper presentation at a departmental seminar at the Department of Political Science, University of Southern Denmark, August 2004 [published in Ronald Holzhaacker and Markus Haverland (eds), *European Research Reloaded: Cooperation and Integration among Europeanized States*, Dordrecht: Springer, 2006, pp. 251-272]
- 'The Sovereignty Game States Play: (Quasi)States and International Order', paper presentation at the Roundtable 'Images and Narratives of International Law and Regulation', University of Keele and University of Utrecht, 22-23 November 2003 [published in *International Journal for the Semiotics of Law* 17(2), 2004]
- 'Next Stop Constructivism?! Controversies and Challenges for Dutch IR theory' (with Rens van Munster), paper presentation at the Annual Conference of the Dutch Political Science Association, *PoliticoLogenetmaal*, Dordrecht, 22-23 May 2003
- 'Multilevel Governance and the Future of Sovereignty', paper presentation at the 43rd Annual Convention, International Studies Association, New Orleans, 24-7 March 2002 [published in *Journal of Common Market Studies* 42(1), 2004]

other academic and professional experience

- Co-organiser of the international workshop 'Practices of International Governance', University of Antwerp 27-28 November 2009 (participants from Italy, Denmark, Norway, Belgium, Sweden, and The Netherlands)
- Room 74, Amsterdam (with Thomas Gammeltoft-Hansen, Danish Institute of International Studies) (2009)
- Elected member of the Faculty Board, Social Sciences, Leiden University (2009–)
- Editor for *Leiden Journal of International Law*, CUP (articles section) (2008–)
- Convenor and chair of the panel 'IB in de Lage Landen', at the *PoliticoLogenetmaal*, Annual conference of the Dutch Political Science Association (NKWP), 28-29 May 2009
- Co-organiser of the international conference 'Mobilisations of Uncertainty and Responsibility in International Politics and Law', Netherlands Defence Academy, 20-22 November 2008 (participants from Belgium, Canada, Denmark, France, Germany, Norway, Sweden, United Kingdom and the Netherlands)
- Member of the MPhil Education Committee, Department of Political Science, Leiden University (2008–)
- Executive committee Dutch Political Science Association (2008–)

Advisory Board International Relations Studies Association, Leiden University (2008–)
Secretary to the VIEW Working Group on International Relations and Law (2001–)
Chair of the Social Sciences Faculty Library Committee, Leiden University (2006–)
European Research Colloquium, Netherlands Institute for Governance (2002-2005)
President of the Social Sciences PhD Committee, *Vrije Universiteit*, Amsterdam (2002-2005)
PhD Advisory Committee, Netherlands Institute of Governance (2002-2004)

reviewer for Cambridge University Press, Oxford University Press, Palgrave and Routledge

Advanced course for the Philosophy of Law, European University Institute, Florence (2009)
PhD course Social Constructivism, Prof. Jeffrey Checkel, University of Oslo (March 2003)
Discourse School, ECPR Summer School, Essex (July/August 2002)

External Consultant to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, The Hague
Department of Institutional Development and Social Cooperation (Aug 1997-Feb 1998);
Department of Institutional Development and Social Policy (Aug-Dec 1998)

Internship at the Netherlands Organisation for International Development Cooperation
(Novib), Advocacy and Press Department, The Hague (Feb-May 1998)

languages

Dutch	mother tongue
English	passive and active abilities fluent
French	passive abilities good, active abilities sufficient
German	passive abilities good, active abilities sufficient