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OVERVIEW:

Professor, Faculty of Spatial Sciences, Department of Spatial Planning and Environment, Comparative Multilevel Governance and Regional Structure, Ubbo Emmius Foundation Endowed Chair, and Faculty of Arts, Department of International Relations and International Organization.

Director, Groningen Research Centre for Southeast Asia and ASEAN, at the University of Groningen and Gadjah Mada University, Indonesia. This is the successor organization to SPIRIT Indonesia Groningen (SInGA), a research program for PhD candidates from the Indonesian civil service with funding from the World Bank, and existing lecturers from leading Indonesian universities. The research group on 'Governance and Sustainable Society' focuses on theory, methods, and policy recommendations for multi-level governance for middle-income developing countries. We now have 18 PhD candidates from Indonesia, Vietnam, and Thailand, with on-going recruitment across SE Asia.

Research: Multi-Level and Global Governance, Institutional – Civil Society Interactions, Human Rights, Law and Politics

- Regional structure, ASEAN and EU
- Human Rights and democratization
- Governance and the Sustainable Development Goals
- Non-discrimination and equality
- Democracy and the representative process, civil society organizations
- Wide dissemination of research results to increase societal impact

Visiting Professor, University of Melbourne, School of Social and Political Sciences, Faculty of Arts, October-November 2017.

Visiting Research Fellow, Monash University, European and EU Centre, researching national human rights institutions and regional mechanisms for human rights in ASEAN, May-June, 2013.

Visiting Scholar, Columbia University, Institute for the Study of Human Rights (ISHR), Spring Term, New York, 2010.

Teaching: Innovative undergraduate, master, and PhD teaching and training

- active student learning
- fostering excellence and diversity with outreach to the under-represented in higher education
- encouraging community involvement and engagement with the world

International PhD colloquium for mentoring, focused on the creation of new knowledge through attention to theoretical innovation and research design and methodology, in a small, deliberative environment funded by EU networks of excellence. Three topics over six years: European integration and Europeanization, European democratic legitimacy, and Transnationalization of the economies, states, and civil society in Europe.

Policy: Senior EU Expert

Network of Socio-Economic Experts in the Anti-Discrimination Field, established by the European Commission pursuant to PROGRESS and the Social Agenda- employment and the social sphere.

EDUCATION:

•University of Michigan, Ann Arbor

Ph.D., Political Science, August 1997, ABD with Honors, May 1994

Major: Comparative Politics, Minor: American Politics, Second Minor: Methodology

Concentration: Political party competition and electoral change in Western Europe.

Dissertation: "Party Competition and Strategic Responses to Change in the Electoral Environment: The German Broad-based Parties after Reunification."

Principal supervisors: Ronald Inglehart (Michigan), Holli Semetko (Michigan, Amsterdam),

Max Kaase (WZB – Berlin).

•University of Minnesota Law School

J.D. Honors: Cum Laude, December 1987

Research Thesis: "Fundamental Rights in the European Community." Analysis of the development by the European Court of Justice of case law pointing to the Constitutional traditions of the member states to develop a concept of Fundamental Rights for the European Union.

Clinical experience: Legal Aid to Minnesota Prisoners Program (Lamp)

•University of London, King's College

Academic year abroad 1986/87, LLM Program (King's, LSE, UCL)

Coursework: European Community Law, International Business Transactions, and Jurisprudence.

•University of Minnesota, College of Liberal Arts

B.A., Honors : Magna Cum Laude, June 1983

Majors: Political Science and Economics

Honors Thesis in international relations: 'The Permanent Neutrality of Austria - Restraint and Opportunity' based on interviews in Vienna with political, ministerial, and embassy officials.

Semester Abroad: Cuernavaca, Mexico, near Mexico City, learning Spanish with anthropological excursions to two indigenous villages in the state of Oaxaca in the Sierra Madre.

PROFESSIONAL:

•Professor, University of Groningen, Faculty of Spatial Sciences, Department of Planning and Environment, Comparative Multilevel Governance and Regional Structure, Ubbo Emmius Foundation Endowed Chair, 1/1/ 2016 to present.

Director: Groningen Research Centre for Southeast Asia and ASEAN (SEA - ASEAN) and Spirit Indonesia Groningen (SInGA), a PhD research program on governance and sustainable society with 12 PhD candidates from Indonesia funded by the World Bank, the Indonesian Finance Ministry and the Netherlands NUFFIC program.

•University of Groningen, Department of International Relations and International Organization (IRIO), Faculty of Arts, Associate Professor, Comparative Political Science and International Relations

April 2011-present

Teaching bachelor and Master courses, including:

Master Research Seminar: Human Rights, Democratization, and Peace

Master Euroculture: Eurocompetency – Preparing a PhD Proposal

Bachelor Lecture Course: Policy and Governance in the EU Context
Bachelor Lecture Course: International Organization

Research: governance in Southeast Asia, human rights and democratization, comparative European politics, equality and non-discrimination policy, transnationalization of civil society organizations.

Chair, Curriculum and Didactic Committee, to establish the new **University College Groningen**, the liberal arts and science college of the University of Groningen, appointment by the University Rector, September 2012.

Member, **International Classroom expert group**, cross-faculty supervisory group, appointed by the Rector of the University, 2012-2017.

• **University of Twente, The Netherlands, Faculty of Management and Public Administration, Department of Political Science and Research Methods, European Studies, Tenured (since 2003) Assistant Professor**
10/98 – 3/2011

Research on the interaction between European institutions, the international community, and NGOs working transnationally for human rights.

Research on the Europeanization and transnationalization of national democratic processes, combining institutionalist and civil society perspectives:

- National parliamentary scrutiny over EU decision-making in the member states
- Strategies and opportunities of civil society organizations striving for equality and non-discrimination.

• **Amsterdam University College, Head of Studies, Social Sciences, and Management Team**
2008-2009

Head of Studies, Social Sciences and member of the Management Team for internationalization, civic engagement, and diversity, launching the new international liberal arts honors college established by the University of Amsterdam and the Vrije University of Amsterdam. Assist in the accreditation process and Sirius grant for excellence in innovations in education. Development of the social science curriculum to incorporate both disciplinary and inter-disciplinary perspectives to political science, international relations, economics, sociology, law, anthropology, human geography, psychology, and linguistics. Organized the social system theme into three sub-themes: peace and conflict – equality, inequality, and diversity - market and regulation.

• **University College Utrecht, Fellow and Head of Department for Political Science and International Relations**

2002-2008, taught International Comparative Democracy at the international liberal arts honors college of the University of Utrecht. Head of the political science and international relations department.

• **University of Michigan, Lecturer**, Academic Year 1997/98.
Teaching Assistant and Research Associate, 9/90 - 6/94 and 9/96 - 6/97.

Lecturer for two courses: Democracy and Democratization in Europe, concerning democracy, fascism, and communism in twentieth century Western and Eastern Europe, and Comparative Politics of Advanced Industrial Democracies. Graduate Teaching Assistant for eight semesters, comparative politics, political communication, and international relations courses. Research Associate for Prof. Holli Semetko on the comparative research of German, British, and American elections.

•**Doherty, Rumble & Butler**, St. Paul, Minneapolis, and Washington D.C., **Lawyer**, 9/88-1/90
Admitted to the Bar in Minnesota and Washington D.C. Practice in corporate and commercial law with this large law firm of 88 attorneys. Work also on international trade issues involving export of high tech equipment requiring export licensing. Preparation of environmental impact statements for cities. Pro Bono, *inter alia*, American Indian organization in Minneapolis to assume authority for a HUD (Housing Urban Development) housing development in the city.

•**University of Minnesota Attorney's Office**, Law Clerk, 6/85-9/85
Law Clerk for the legal counsel office of the University of Minnesota, conducting research and advising on educational legal issues involving students and the governance structure with the State.

•**Mondale for President Committee**, Professional Field Staff, Political Organizer, 9/83 - 7/84
Political organizer in Chicago, IL and Philadelphia, PA. Responsible for coalition building, fundraising, event planning, media, outreach to groups and local politicians, and overall coordination of three congressional districts during the 1984 presidential campaign. Focus on outreach to particular voter groups and organizations within the congressional districts, including women's groups, religious organizations, gay and lesbian groups, environmental groups, and coordination with the African-American outreach staff. Conducted advance work for candidate campaign events to the Congressional districts.

•**Minnesota House of Representatives**, Page, 1/83 - 6/83
Page for the 1983 Legislative Session, assisting the Appropriations Committee and the House floor.

•**Congressman Martin Olav Sabo**, Constituent Affairs Intern, 1/82 - 11/82
Intern in the Washington D.C. and District offices, drafting letters and handling responses to constituents from the District. Coordination with other Congressional offices from Minnesota. Attendance at selected meetings to communicate information to the Congressman, including meeting with American Indian representatives from across Minnesota Assist on Fall campaign with door-to-door campaigning.

•**Minnesota Daily**, Account Executive, 9/80-12/81
Top Account Executive in the advertising section of the University of Minnesota newspaper, a daily newspaper with an audited print run of 40,000 copies, selling display advertisement placement for small and large businesses in Minneapolis and St. Paul. Work with the creative staff to design the advertising campaign for the top Twin Cities radio station during the audience rating sweep periods.

TEACHING ABROAD AND GUEST

LECTURESHIPS:

Visiting Professor, **University of Melbourne**, School of Social and Political Sciences, Faculty of Arts, October-November 2017.

Visiting Professor, **Monash University, EU Centre**, Melbourne, Australia, fellowship to conduct research on national human rights institutions, opportunities for learning and good practice exchange Europe region and Asia Pacific, May 13-June 30, 2013.

Visiting Professor, **University of Paris 1, Sorbonne**, Department of Political Science, teaching a graduate seminar "Comparative Democratic Institutions, Europe and the United States," 85 students, Spring Semester, Paris, February – April 2005.

Visiting Professor, **Moscow State University**, lecture series on "Democracy and the Mass Media," 60 students, Moscow, April 2003.

Visiting Professor, **University of Cape Town**, lecture series on "Theoretical and Empirical Research on Democracy in Multi-Level Settings," Master class, 20 students, Cape Town, South Africa. June 2003.

HONORS:

Monash University, Melbourne, Australia, European and EU Centre, fellowship for research study to compare national human rights institutions in the Asia Pacific and European regions, May-June 2013.

Columbia University, Institute for the Study of Human Rights, invited Visiting Scholar, research sabbatical, Spring Term, New York, 2010.

Jean Monnet Fellowship, European University Institute (EUI)

Awarded fellowship for research sabbatical at the European University Institute, Robert Schumann Centre for Advanced Studies, Florence. Research on multi-level strategies of civil society organizations in the member states and the European Union striving for anti-discrimination. 1/06-6/06.

Visiting Scholar, Wissenschaftszentrum Berlin für Sozialforschung (WZB)

Dissertation research funded by the German Academic Exchange Service/ Fulbright at the WZB under the direction of Prof. Dr. Max Kaase and Prof. Dr. Hans-Dieter Klingemann, Berlin, 8/94-7/96.

German Bundestag Internship Program

Fellowship to study at the University of Bonn and to intern for a Member of Parliament from Eastern Germany in the Bundestag, Bonn 9/92 - 6/93.

Manfred Wörner Seminar, German Marshall Fund of the United States

Invited by the U.S. State Department to join a delegation to attend this program in Bonn and Berlin designed to examine German and European security policy and discuss common U.S. - German security interests, 10/89.

National Merit Commended Student

Four year scholarship based on the U.S. Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT), top 5% national test score, 9/79-6/83.

RESEARCH NETWORKS:

SEA ASEAN Erasmus+ grant (EPLUS-CBHE-UM-2017-GRON-005) BRECIL – Building Social Science Research Capacities in Higher Education Institutions in Lao PDR and Malaysia

The Groningen Research Centre for Southeast Asia and ASEAN (SEA ASEAN) has been awarded an Erasmus+ grant from the European Union as part of the BRECIL consortium to improve the capacity to conduct social science research in Southeast Asia. Specifically, BRECIL aims to develop human and social capital to facilitate individual learning and institutional mechanisms in social science research in higher education institutions in Malaysia and Laos. The grant will allow SEA ASEAN to play a key role in facilitating capacity building and research governance in the region.

Prof. dr. Ronald Holzhaecker and Dr. Wendy Tan and the SEA ASEAN team will lead Work Package 3 focusing on developing and enhancing research governance, mechanisms and institutions in the partner countries. Our partners reflect a mix of European and Asian institutions as represented by Gothenburg University, University of Applied Languages SDI Munich, University of Malaya, University Utara Malaysia, National University of Laos, and Souphanouvong University. BRECIL has been granted EUR 681.035 (71,313 to Groningen) as one of the selected 149 applications out of a total of 756

submitted. The network looks forward to making a substantial impact with the universities and people across Southeast Asia. 2017-2020.

LISBOAN (Linking Interdisciplinary Integration Studies by Broadening the European Network), Coordinator for the University of Groningen's participation in this network of 67 Universities across Europe. Organizer of a conference in the Hague at the Dutch ministry of the Interior and the second chamber of the parliament, focused on changes in governance in the field of fundamental human rights and the Area of Freedom, Security, and Justice (AFSJ), 2010-2013.

CONNEX. Member of the Research Group 4 on interest groups and multi-level governance, headed by Prof. Beate Kohler Koch, considering the intersection between vertical governmental representation and horizontal governance structures in the EU and the member states.

ERC. Director of the **European Research Colloquium** of the Netherlands Institute of Government and CONNEX. Provides secondary mentoring to PhD students writing dissertations on the EU and comparative European politics. First group, 2002-2004, European integration and Europeanization, second group, 2005-2006, Democratic Legitimacy and the European Union., third group, 2007-2008, processes of transnationalization in Western and Eastern Europe.

PUBLICATION LIST:

BOOKS

Governance and Decentralization in Indonesia, with Rafael Wittek and Johan Woltjer, Springer NY, 2016.

Freedom, Security, and Justice in the European Union: Internal and External Dimensions of Increased Cooperation after the Lisbon Treaty, co-edited with Paul Luif, Austrian Institute for International Affairs, Springer NY, 2014.

The Transnationalization of Economies, States, and Civil Societies: New Challenges for Governance in Europe, co-edited with Laszlo Bruszt (European University Institute), Springer NY 2009.

Democratic Governance and European Integration: Linking Societal and State Processes of Democracy, co-edited with Erik Albaek (University of Southern Denmark), Edward Elgar, UK, 2007.¹

European Research Reloaded: Cooperation and Integration among Europeanized States, co-edited with Markus Haverland (Leiden), Springer NY 2006.

RECENT BOOKS: *Sustainable Development Goals in Southeast Asia and ASEAN: National and Regional Approaches*, co-edited with Dafri Agus Salim, Gadjah Mada University, with contributing professors from across Southeast Asia, Singapore: Brill 2019.

Challenges of Governance in Southeast Asia and ASEAN, co-edited with Wendy Tan, with PhD candidate contributors from the SEA ASEAN research centre from Indonesia, Vietnam, and Thailand, New York: Springer 2019.

EDITOR OF

SPECIAL JOURNAL ISSUE 'Democratic Legitimacy and the European Union,' a special issue of *The Journal of European Integration*, vol. 29, no. 3, 2007.

¹ Four reviews of this book are available: David Bailey, *Public Administration Review*, September (2010), Alistair Jones, *Public Policy and Administration*, 23; 418 (2008), Arne Niemann, *Acta Politica*, 43; 498 (2008), and Christophe Bouillaud, *Politique Européenne*, 24; 157 (2008).

PUBLISHED ARTICLES

- 'Human Rights Norm Diffusion in Southeast Asia: Roles of Civil Society Organizations (CSOs) in Ending Extrajudicial Killings in the Philippines' with Stanati Netipatalachoochote, *Journal of Southeast Asian Human Rights*, forthcoming 2018.
- 'Framing the Debate: The Evolution of the European Union as an External Democratization Actor' co-authored with Marek Neuman, in the book *Democracy Promotion and the Normative Power Europe Framework* (NY, Springer 2018)
- 'Bargaining between local governments and multinational corporations in a decentralised system of governance: the cases of Ogan Komering Ilir and Banyuwangi districts in Indonesia', with Kuswanto and Herman Hoen, *Asia Pacific Journal of Public Administration*, September 2017.
- 'Decentralization and Governance for Sustainable Society in Indonesia,' with Wittek and Woltjer, chapter in *Decentralization and Governance in Indonesia*, editors Ronald Holzhaecker, Rafael Wittek, and Johan Woltjer, New York: Springer, 2016.
- 'Decentralization and Primary Health Care Innovations in Indonesia' with Suwatin Miharti, chapter in *Decentralization and Governance in Indonesia*, editors Ronald Holzhaecker, Rafael Wittek, and Johan Woltjer, New York: Springer, 2016.
- 'Decentralization, Foreign Direct Investment and Development in Indonesia' with K. Kuswanto and Herman Hoen, chapter in *Decentralization and Governance in Indonesia*, editors Ronald Holzhaecker, Rafael Wittek, and Johan Woltjer, New York: Springer, 2016.
- 'Environmental Governance with Transnational Municipal Networks: The Case of Indonesian Cities,' with Annisa Paramita Wiharani, chapter in *Decentralization and Governance in Indonesia*, editors Ronald Holzhaecker, Rafael Wittek, and Johan Woltjer, New York: Springer, 2016.
- 'Corporate Governance and Corruption: A Comparative Study of South-East Asia,' with Nureni Wijati and Niels Hermes, chapter in *Decentralization and Governance in Indonesia*, editors Ronald Holzhaecker, Rafael Wittek, and Johan Woltjer, New York: Springer, 2016.
- 'Gay Rights are Human Rights: The framing of new interpretations of international human rights norms' chapter in George Andreopoulos and Zehra Arat (eds.) *The Uses and Misuses of human rights: A Critical Approach to Advocacy*. London, NY, Palgrave MacMillan, 2014.
- 'State-Sponsored Homophobia and the Denial of the Right of Assembly in Central and Eastern Europe: The 'boomerang' and the 'ricochet' between European organization and civil society to uphold human rights,' *Law & Policy*, Issue 1-2, vol. 35, March 2013.
- 'National and transnational strategies of LGBT civil society organizations in different political environments: Modes of Interaction in Western and Eastern Europe for Equality,' *Comparative European Politics*, February 2012.
- 'The Doctoral Experience across Borders – Creating New Knowledge,' *Forum*, European Association for International Education, Summer 2009.
- 'Three converging literatures of transnationalization and on the varieties of transnationalization – an introduction' in *Transnationalization of Economies, States, and Civil Societies: New Challenges for Governance in Europe*, with Laszlo Bruszt, Springer, 2009.

'Transnational Strategies of Civil Society Groups Striving for Equality and Non-discrimination: Exchanging information on new EU directives, coalition strategies, and strategic litigation', in *Transnationalization of Economies, States, and Civil Societies: New Challenges for Governance in Europe*, Springer, 2009.

'Bonding, Bridging and Ethnic Minorities in the Netherlands: Changing discourses in a changing nation' with Peter Scholten, *Nations and Nationalism*, vol. 15:1, 2009.

'Parliamentary Scrutiny over European Union Decision-Making in the Netherlands' in G. Barrett (ed.), *Ireland, Europe and the Challenge of Democracy - Ensuring Democratic Control over Government Affairs in the European Union*, Institute of European Affairs, Dublin, February 2008.

'The Europeanization and Transnationalization of Civil Society Organizations Striving for Equality: Goals and Strategies of Gay and Lesbian Groups in Italy and the Netherlands,' *European University Institute* (EUI), Florence. 2007.

'Introduction: Democratic Legitimacy and the European Union,' *Journal of European Integration*, vol. 29, no. 3, 2007.

'National Parliaments,' in Paolo Graziano and Maarten Vink, eds. *Europeanization: New Research Agendas*, Basingstoke: Palgrave Macmillan, 2007.

'National Parliamentary Scrutiny: Comparing Rules, Institutions, and Party Behavior" in *Democratic Governance and European Integration*, Edward Elgar, 2007.

'Introduction: Democratic Governance and European Integration,' with Erik Albaek in *Democratic Governance and European Integration*, Edward Elgar, 2007.

'National Election Campaigns and European Issues,' with Andrea Römmele in *Democratic Governance and European Integration*, Edward Elgar, 2007.

'El mantenimiento de la representación y la legitimidad democráticas, más allá del Estado-Nación,' in Gustavo Ernesto Emmerich ed. *La Representacion Política en el Siglo XXI Siete Estudios de Caso.*, 2006.

'National Parliamentary Scrutiny of EU Decision-Making: The Role of Opposition Parties' *Journal of Legislative Studies*, 11 (3/4), 2005.

'Parlementaire controle op EU-besluitvorming in Nederland' in *Beleid, Politiek en Maatschappij*, Vol. 1, 2005.

'Constructing European-wide Research Networks for Ph.D. Students in Political Science,' in the *NET Journal of Political Science*, vol. 2:1, 2004 and in Lori Thorlakson, ed., *Professional Practice in European Political Science*, Paris, EpsNet 2003.

'National Parliamentary Scrutiny over EU Issues: The Goals and Methods of Governing and Opposition Parties,' *European Union Politics*, vol. 3/4, Dec. 2002.

'Nationale parlementer i den europæiske union - en model til komparativ vurdering af demokratiske kontrolbeføjelser,' in Thomas Pedersen, ed. *Europa for folket? EU og det danske demokrati*. Aarhus Universitetsforlag, 2002.

'Public Opinion Information and Campaign Strategies: An American Case Study," chapter in *Public Information Campaigns and Opinion Research*, edited by Hans-Dieter Klingemann and Andrea Roemmele, Sage Publications, 2002.

'Public Sector Unions and Sexual Diversity Activism in Canada, Germany and Australia,' with Shane Ostenfeld and Gerald Hunt, chapter in *Employment Relations*, ed. by Keri Spooner, et. al., International Employment Relations Association, Sydney, 2000.

‘Campaign Communication and Strategic Responses to Change in the Electoral Environment: Germany after Reunification,’ *Party Politics*, Vol. 5(4) 1999.

‘The Struggle for Rights in Labor Unions in Germany,’ chapter in *Laboring for Rights: Unions and Sexual Diversity Across Nations*, ed. Gerald Hunt, Philadelphia: Temple University Press, 1999.

‘Party Competition and Strategic Responses to Change in the Electoral Environment: The German Broad-based Parties after Reunification,’ University of Michigan dissertation (Ann Arbor: UMI, 1997).

PUBLISHED REPORTS:

‘Talent to Change for: LGBT Employee Research Leading the Way in Diversity’ with Karima Zahi and Satwant Kaur, for Workplace Pride, research funded by the Dutch Ministry of Education, Culture and Science, <http://www.workplacepride.org/site/docs/Talent%20to%20Change%20For%20FINAL%20FULL%20REPORT.pdf>, June 2012.

‘Synthesis Report 2011: Older Workers, Discrimination and Employment.’ Network of Socio-Economic Experts in the Field of Anti-Discrimination, co-authored report for the European Commission, DG Justice, http://ec.europa.eu/justice/discrimination/files/sen_synthesisreport2011_en.pdf, March 2012.

‘Synthesis Report 2010: Part I Combating Discrimination based on Ethnic Origin, http://ec.europa.eu/justice/discrimination/files/sen_synthesisreport2010partii_en.pdf, Part II Combating Discrimination based on Sexual Orientation’ http://ec.europa.eu/justice/discrimination/files/sen_synthesisreport2010parti_en.pdf, Co-authored report, Network of Socio-Economic Experts in the Field of Anti-Discrimination, report for the EU Commission, Employment, Social Affairs, and Equal Opportunities, published May 2011.

‘Synthesis Report 2009: Anti-Discrimination in the Member States of the European Union’ Network of Socio-Economic Experts in the Field of Anti-Discrimination, co-authored report for the EU Commission, Employment, Social Affairs, and Equal Opportunities, published, http://ec.europa.eu/justice/discrimination/files/sen_synthesisreport2009_en.pdf, December 2009.

‘Raising awareness and monitoring and developing non-discrimination rights and policy,’ in *The Role of NGOs and Trade Unions in Combating Discrimination*, European Commission, DG Employment, Social Affairs and Equal Opportunities, <http://ec.europa.eu/social/main.jsp?catId=88&langId=en&eventsId=193>, September 2009.

‘The role of NGOs and trade unions in awareness raising and developing and monitoring national discrimination law and policy: Working together to build more just societies, free from discrimination,’ in English, French, German, and Hungarian, report for the EU Commission, Employment, Social Affairs, and Equal Opportunities, July 2009.

CONFERENCE PAPERS:

‘National and Regional Approaches to the Sustainable Development Goals in Southeast Asia and ASEAN’ at Gadjah Mada University, Yogyakarta, Indonesia October 3-5, 2017.

‘Challenges of Governance in Southeast Asia and ASEAN’ with Wendy Tan, introductory chapter and contribution to the conference of the Groningen Research Centre for Southeast Asia and ASEAN, September 12-13, 2017, Groningen, the Netherlands.

'ASEAN on its 50th Anniversary, the Future of Human Rights in Southeast Asia: Human rights norm diffusion, civil society organizations, and regional institutional developments' with Stanati Netipatalachoochote and Aurelia Colombi Ciacchi, at the 14th ASLI Asian Law Institute A unifying Force? 'Asian Values' and the Law, National University of Singapore and the University of Philippines, College of Law (UP), Manila, May 18-19, 2017.

'Human Rights for LGBT Persons in the Pacific: Civil Society Organizations and the Strategic Use of the UN's University Periodic Review (UPR) Process in Southeast Asia' paper presented at the International Studies Association (ISA), Hong Kong, June 15-17, 2017.

'International and Regional Institutional Dialogues for Human Rights for LGBT persons: The quest for recognition, anti-discrimination, and marriage in Southeast Asia' Southeast Asian Human Rights Network (SEAHRN), Bangkok, October 2016.

'The Role of National Human Rights Institutions (NHRIs) and Regional Networks in Promoting Human Rights and Health related to Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity (SOGI) in Southeast Asia,' International Studies Association (ISA), Atlanta, US, April 2016.

'The UN, National Human Rights Institutions (NHRIs), and Regional Networks of NHRIs: New venues for raising LGBT Issues in Southeast Asia', International Studies Association (ISA), New Orleans, USA, February 2015,

'The EU and the Wider World: Five Dimensions of Engagement with Southeast Asia and ASEAN for democracy and human rights,' Southeast Asian Human Rights Studies Network, Faculty of Law and Human Rights Research Centre, University of Malaysia, Kuala Lumpur, 15 – 17 October 2014

Discussant, The European Union and ASEAN: Towards a New Assessment, panel organized by Prof. Philomena Murray, University of Melbourne, International Political Science Association (IPSA), Montreal, July 19-24, 2014.

'Gay Rights are Human Rights: The framing of new interpretations of international human rights norms' for the panel The use and misuse of human rights: ongoing challenges for the human rights discourse, International Political Science Association (IPSA), Montreal, July 19-24, 2014.

'Framing the Debate: The Evolution of the European Union as an External Democratization Actor' co-authored with Marek Neuman,, 'Europe and Peace' conference, European Community Studies Association, Montreal, May 8 – 10, 2014.

The Equality Architecture of the European Union and the Role of the Commission in 'Enhanced Learning Opportunities' among the Member States,' presented at the European Sociological Association, Turin, Italy, August 2013.

'Opportunities for Progress toward Equality and Non-Discrimination: The Equality Architecture and Enhanced Learning Mechanisms within the European Union' presented at the European Sociological Association, Milan, December 1, 2012, for special journal issue edited by Carlo Ruzzo and Virginie Guiraudon, Anti-Discrimination Groups: Mobilization at EU Level, proposed to Political Studies.

'Recent Developments in the Area of Freedom, Security and Justice after Lisbon' Austrian Institute for International Relations, Vienna, October 24, 2012.

'The Emergence of Sexual Orientation as a Human Right: Institutional Developments in Europe', American Political Science Association annual meeting, Seattle, August 2011.

'New Modes of Governance for Equality and Non-Discrimination in Europe: Enhanced Learning across States and Engagement by Civil Society', European Studies Association (ESA), Geneva, September 2011.

'New Modes of Governance for Promoting Equality and Combating Discrimination in the EU,' European Sociological Association (ESA), Political sociology section, University of Lille, France, November 2010.

'State-Sponsored Homophobia and the Denial of the Right of Assembly in Europe: The 'boomerang' and the 'ricochet' between NGOs, European institutions, and governments to uphold human rights,' American Political Science Association annual meeting, section European Politics and Society, panel 'Identity and Citizenship in Central Europe.' Washington, D.C. September 4, 2010.

'The Role of Academics in LGBT-related policymaking: Mainstreaming and Monitoring of Anti-discrimination in the European Union' presented at the American Political Science Association annual meeting, Toronto, September 2009.

'Strategizing across borders: LGBT organizations sharing internal and external successes and challenges at the National, EU, and UN levels' Copenhagen Outgames, Conference on Human Rights, Copenhagen, July 27-29, 2009.

'Sub-National Governments and Parliaments: The Development of Social Policy and the Nation in Scotland and Flanders' Oxford University, Research area 'Legislatures in Europe' of the European Research Group (ERG), a collaboration between Oxford University and Sciences Po Paris, Oxford, UK, July 2009.

"The National and Transnational Strategies of Civil Society Organizations striving for Equality and Non-discrimination: Modes of Interaction and the Political Environment in Western and Eastern Europe' presented at the *American Political Science Association (APSA)* annual meeting, Boston, August 2008.

"National and Transnational Strategies of Civil Society Organizations: Modes of Interaction in Western and Eastern Europe for Equality and Non-discrimination" CINEFOGO, Brussels January 2008.

"Modes of Interaction: Strategies of Civil Society Organizations and their Political Environment," *University of Antwerp*, conference on Social Movements, Interest Groups and Political Parties as Intermediators in the Multilevel System of Europe, September 2007.

"The Europeanization and Transnationalization of Civil Society Organizations Striving for Equality: Goals and Strategies of Gay and Lesbian Groups in Italy and the Netherlands," *American Political Science Association* annual meeting, Chicago, September 2007, and the *European Consortium for Political Research (ECPR)*, Pisa, Italy, October 2007.

"The Europeanization and Transnationalization of Civil Society Organizations Striving for Equality" *European Consortium for Political Research (ECPR)*, Istanbul, September 2006.

"Europeanization and Changing Patterns of Representation: Strategies of Interest Groups in Multi-Level Governance," presented at the panel Democratic Inputs in Complex Governance at the *International Political Science Association*, Fukuoka, Japan, July 2006.

"The Role of the Dutch Parliament in Comparative Perspective," presented at the conference Ireland, Europe, and the Challenge of Democracy, *University College Dublin*, May 2005.

"Representation beyond the Nation-State: Communicating Positions on EU Issues in National Election Campaigns" presented at the *ECPR – Standing Group on the European Union*, Bologna, June 2004.

"The Power of Opposition Parties in National Parliaments to Scrutinize EU Decision-making in the Member States: Comparing Laws, Institutions, and Party Behaviors," presented at the conference "National Parliaments and the European Union" at the *University of Limerick*, on the occasion of the Irish Presidency of the EU, May 2004.

“Maintaining Democratic Representation and Legitimacy Beyond the Nation-State” presented at the *Int’l Political Science Association*, Durban, South Africa, July 2003.

“European Issues in National Election campaigns” presented at the conference Democracy in the New Europe, Center for the Study of Democracy, University of California, Irvine. February 2003.

“National Parliamentary Scrutiny in the EU: A Party Perspective on Executive-Legislative Relations,” presented to the Legislatures section, *American Political Science Association* Annual Meeting, Boston, August 2002.

“National Parliaments in the European Union. A Model to Comparatively Assess the Power to Scrutinize: Rules, Institutions, and Party Behavior,” presented at the *European Consortium for Political Research*, conference on Europeanization and National Political Institutions, Turin, Italy, March 2002.

“Assessing Parliamentary Power for EU Scrutiny: Rules, Institutions, and Party Behavior” presented at the *Danish Political Science Association* Annual Meeting, October 2001.

“Parliamentary Scrutiny of Decision-Making over EU Issues in Germany and the Netherlands: The Strategic Incentives of Coalition and Opposition Parties” presented at the *American Political Science Association*, San Francisco, August 2001.

“Europeanization and Domestic Politics: Parties in Parliament,” presented at the *European Community Studies Association*, Madison, Wisconsin, May 2001. Organizer of panel “Europeanization of Domestic Politics.”

“National Parliamentary Scrutiny of Decision-Making over EU Issues: The Strategic Incentives of Party Factions in Germany and the Netherlands,” presented at the *European Consortium for Political Research* conference, Copenhagen, April 2000.

“Parliamentary Control of Decision-Making over EU Issues in the Member States: The Role of Parliamentary Party Groups and the Perception of Risk,” presented at the *European Consortium for Political Research* conference, Mannheim, March 1999.

“The Strategic Incentives of Parliamentary Party Groups to Control National Decision-Making over EU Issues,” presented at the *American Political Science Association Meeting*, Atlanta, Sept. 1999.

“The Struggle for Rights in Labor Unions in Germany,” presented at the Labor Unions and Sexual Politics in Comparative Context panel, *American Political Science* Annual Meeting, Boston, August 1998.

“Political Communication in Non-News Television Programming,” presented at the *Images of Politics* conference, University of Amsterdam, Oct. 1997.

“Bridging Inequality in the Electorate: The Campaign Strategies of the German *Volksparteien* Since Reunification,” presented at the Conference Group on German Politics, *American Political Science Association* Annual Meeting, S.F., August 1996.

“Party Competition, Campaign Communication, and Party Systems: Germany after Reunification,” presented at the *European Consortium for Political Research* conference on Party System Change in Europe, Oslo, March 1996.

RESEARCH GRANTS:

EU Erasmus +BRECIL – Building Social Science Research Capacities in Higher Education Institutions in Lao PDR and Malaysia (EPLUS-CBHE-UM-2017-GRON-005) 2017-2020

Consortium of consisting of 2 Universities in Malaysia, 2 in Laos, and one university in each of Sweden, Germany and the Netherlands. Euro 681,035 (Groningen 71,313).

European Commission, DG Justice, Senior EU expert, ‘**Knowledge-based analysis and policy advice in the antidiscrimination field and the EU 2020 Strategy**’ Organized by Milieu, Law & Policy Consulting, Brussels, conducting policy oriented research on the implementation of the EU’s anti-discrimination directives, reporting to the European Commission, DG Justice, 2.1 million Euros over 3 years, for 4 senior EU experts leading 28 national experts (2014-2016).

Monash University, European and EU Centre, International Research Fellowship to study regional mechanisms involving national human rights mechanisms in the Asian Pacific Region, May-June, 2013. 6000 Australian dollars.

Dutch Ministry of Education, serving as Scientific Director, Company Pride Platform for research program ‘Talent to Change For: LGBT Employee Research Leading the Way in Diversity.’ Research consists of focus groups and interviews with CEOs, human resource directors, management, and employees of the largest Dutch companies, to analyze the implementation of diversity policies. 30.000 Euros, October 2011 – June 2012.

EU Education and Culture DG, Lifelong Learning Programme, Erasmus Academic Network LISBOAN, grant to organize a conference at the Dutch Ministry of the Interior and Kingdom Relations, and the Tweede Kamer,, and final English editing for the our subsequent book Holzhaecker and Luif 2014. *Freedom, Security and Justice in the European Union: Internal and External Dimensions of Increased Cooperation after the Lisbon Treaty*. 10,000 Euros. 2011.

Senior Expert, Network of Socio-Economic Experts in the Anti-Discrimination Field, established by the European Commission. Selected as one of four senior European experts to develop a methodology to be used by 27 national experts to assess the implementation and success of anti-discrimination measures, review of national strategy reports prepared under the Open Method of Coordination (OMC) procedure, preparation of synthesis reports and comparative studies on social inclusion and protection, and meetings with stakeholders at the national level and with the European Commission to recommend possible new legislative, policy, or action programs in this policy area. 800.000 Euro annually, renewable up to three times (3.2 million Euros), January 2009 – 2013.

Connecting Excellence on European Governance (CONNEX), EU 6th Framework Program 8/2006, Grant to establish a secondary mentoring program for PhD students on Transnationalization in Western and Eastern Europe, with meetings held in Warsaw, Budapest, and Prague. 36.500 Euro.

Connecting Excellence on European Governance (CONNEX), EU 6th Framework Program, 12/2004. Grant to establish a secondary mentoring program for PhD students recruited from across Europe, East and West, concerning Democratic legitimacy and the European Union, 25.200 Euro.

Netherlands Institute of Government (NIG), 12/2004

Grant to establish a second European Research Colloquium concerning Democratic legitimacy and the European Union with PhD students from Dutch universities. 15.000 Euro

Netherlands Institute of Government (NIG), 8/2002

Grant to establish the European Research Colloquium to provide secondary mentoring on research concerning Europeanization and integration of the European Union for PhD students from the Netherlands, Germany, Belgium, Denmark, and the Czech Republic. 48.000 Gulden

Netherlands Organization for Scientific Research (NWO) and the Danish Social Science Research Council, 10/2002 and 10/2003

Grant for the conference series “Dialogue on Democracy” held in Copenhagen, Denmark and Enschede, Netherlands with scholars from across Europe, 14.000 Euro

University of Twente “Potential” Research Grant, 10/99

Grant for research on national parliamentary scrutiny over EU decision-making in the Netherlands, Germany, Denmark, and the United Kingdom, 36.000 Gulden

German Academic Exchange Service - Fulbright (DAAD-Fulbright), 8/94

Grant for research on party competition after reunification in Germany, 29.000 DM

INTERNATIONALIZATION - EUROPE, TRANSATLANTIC, ASIA PACIFIC LECTURES:

Conference ‘Bridging East Asia & Southeast Asia’ with scholars from the Netherlands, China, Indonesia, Thailand, Philippines, with the inaugural lecture by Prof. Ronald Holzacker, Groningen, November 2016.

Groningen Forum, US Election Night, moderator of a debate, US policy change under the New President, Clinton or Trump, November 2016.

University of Indonesia, Jakarta, meeting with Rector and Deans of various departments with our RUG University President Sibrand Poppema to discuss academic exchange and cooperation.

Groningen Research Centre for Southeast Asia and ASEAN (SEA ASEAN) launch collaboration with Gadjah Mada University by the Rector of UGM and President of RUG. Yogyakarta. November 1, 2016.

National University of Singapore, Asia Research Institute, meetings to discuss cooperation with partner institutions across Southeast Asia, October 2016.

University of Malaya, Asia-Europe Institute, visit and lecture, October 2016.

Conference SInGA / SEA ASEAN **‘Development and Human Security in Papua, Indonesia’** with speakers from Gadjah Mada University and the University of Groningen. September 20, 2016.

University of London (SOAS), conference of Association of Southeast Asian Studies, panel presentation by 5 SInGA PhD candidates, London, September 2016.

University of Manila, Chancellor and the De La Salle University, Dean of College of Liberal Arts, meetings to discuss research and exchange, Manila June 2016.

Vietnam National University, University of Social Science and Humanities, and the University of Law. Lecture at the law school on human rights norm diffusion and ASEAN, Hanoi, May 2016

World Bank, introduction of our book ‘Decentralization and Governance in Indonesia’ to 25 World Bank officials and consultants in Jakarta. Presentation by Ronald Holzacker, and two SInGA PhD candidates Kuswanto and Laksmi Kusumawati, Jakarta April 2016.

University of Gothenberg, Department of Sociology, invited to meet with a research team directed by Prof. Abby Peterson and deliver a lecture ‘The Ricochet of Ideas Across Institutions to Advance Human Rights: Parliaments, Courts, and Civil Society Organisations, May 13-15, 2015, Goteborg, Sweden.

Gadjah Mada University, Indonesia. Delivery of two lectures, one to master students and faculty members in the department of international relations, one to bachelor students in international relations, government and politics, economics and law on EU-ASEAN relations and governance and sustainable society, October 27-30, 2014.

Can Tho University, Vietnam. Meetings and discussion with the Vice-Rector, Law faculty, and economics faculty. Delivering of two lectures, one to master students, and one to bachelor students on 'EU-ASEAN relations', and on 'Governance and Sustainable society', October 20-23, 2014.

Speaker, Network of Socio-Economic Experts in the Area of Non-discrimination, annual meeting with the European Commission, DG Justice, 'Older Workers, Discrimination, and Employment' Brussels, December 2011.

Key-Note speaker, **Vereniging van Groninger Gemeenten (VGG)**, Association of Dutch Municipalities, 90 anniversary jubileum with over 100 mayors and alderman, 'Cooperation across boundaries: The EU and regional cooperation among Groningen Gemeenten' Huizinge, Nov. 2011.

Speaker, **Good Practice Exchange, Combating Discrimination based on Sexual Orientation in the Member States**, invited senior EU expert, Tallinn, Estonia, presentation to the European Commission and 11 national government of the EU network of experts, synthesis report on combatting discrimination based on sexual orientation, Sept. 29-30, 2011.

Speaker, Network of Socio-Economic Experts in the Area of Non-discrimination, annual meeting with the European Commission, DG Employment and Equal Opportunities, '**Effective Governance of Equality in the Member States: Equality Bodies, NGOs, and the Social Partners.**' Brussels, December 2010.

Speaker, IGS (Institute for Innovation and Governance Studies) Meeting with the UT President and Executive Board, 'New ways forward for internationalization, research-based teaching, and dissemination at the University of Twente,' November 2010.

Speaker, senior EU expert, annual meeting of the Network of Socio-Economic Experts in the field of Non-discrimination with the European Commission, '**Institutional Framework and Governance Issues for Non-discrimination**' Brussels, December 2009.

Speaker, **United Nations, Alliance of Civilizations**, presentation on the European Union's activities on anti-discrimination, see www.unaoc.org/content/view/400/200/lang,english/. New York, August 2009.

Key-note speaker, **Annual European Commission Anti-Discrimination Conference**, Budapest conference on the Role of NGOs and Trade Unions in the Fight against Discrimination at National Level, speech 'Working Together to Build More Just Societies, Free from Discrimination.' Also planning and consultation on event with the European Commission for 225 participants from civil society and trade unions from all 27 member states and beyond, Budapest, June 25-26, 2009.

Vrije University Amsterdam, Guest lecture: '**European Union Elections 2009 - politics and policy for the coming parliamentary period,**' 200 students, May 2009.

Evert Vermeer Stichting, Africa Day, presentation on 'Obama and the new Africa Policy,' The Hague, April 2009.

The First 100 Days: Barak Obama, Inspiration for the Netherlands and Europe? Dutch Foreign Ministry and US Embassy. Organizer and speaker at this event with Frans Timmermans, Minister for European Affairs, Michael Gallagher, US Embassy, and Sophie in 't Veld, member of the European Parliament and invited professors from the University of Twente, University of Amsterdam and the Free University Amsterdam for students and the Dutch public at the University of Amsterdam, 125 persons, Graduate School of Social Sciences. April 2009.

Associação ILGA Portugal, invited speaker at the conference on 'Mainstreaming LGBT policies' with representatives from the EU, Portuguese and Dutch governments. Press interview with Journal de Negocios. Lisbon, March 2009.

U.S. Election Night Event, Honors students from VU and UvA, hosted an event from midnight until 6 am with 350 students, featuring the Deputy Counsel, US Consulate Amsterdam and other speakers interpreting the US election. Event received both print and web TV coverage (Het Parool web, Folia TV, Campus TV). Preparation of article for University of Amsterdam Folia magazine 'Colors of the American election' 10/31/2008. November 2009.

U.S. Presidential Debate, organized event with students to watch and analyze the second US Presidential debate and discuss the US elections. Event covered by TV Ost, prepared article for UT News, October 2008.

U.S. Presidential Primary, lecture to discuss the US caucus and primary system and the race of the Democrats and Republicans for their political party nomination, University of Twente, April 2008.

Key-Note speaker, **Netherlands Fulbright Alumni Association (NFAA) and the Ivy Circle**, alumni association of graduates of U.S. Ivy League Universities, '*Civil Society and Democracy*' Faculty Club Utrecht. Thanksgiving, November 2007.

GOVERNMENT AND SOCIETY CONSULTATION:

Organizer, conference at the **Dutch Royal Academy (KNAW) and Rijksmuseum Amsterdam** '**Governance and Sustainable Society in Southeast Asia**' with 100 persons, PhD candidates, panel chairs, and discussants, and invited speakers from the Indonesian government and the Netherlands Ministry of Foreign Affairs, November 18-20, 2015, Amsterdam and the Hague.

Medium-Term National Development Plan, discussions with the Indonesian Minister of Planning, Mr. Andrinof Chaniago, about the SInGA research program on governance and sustainable society. Indonesian Embassy, the Hague, March 7, 2015.

Emancipation and Diversity in the University, the City and the Labor Market: Exchanging Best Practices from across the Netherlands and Beyond, organizer of this high level round table discussion bringing together ministry, university, civil society, city officials, and business representatives. Groningen, January 28, 2015. http://www.rug.nl/research/sustainable-society/column/2015/diversity_column

Workplace Pride: International Platform for LGBT inclusion at work, presentation on 'The Academic Contribution to LGBT: Research and Valorization' held at Shell headquarters, the Hague, June 20, 2014.

Inaugural lecture Prince Claus Chair in Development and Equity, Prof. Olajumoke Oduwole, 'International Law and the Right to Development', invited to attend this event at the International Institute of Social Studies (ISS), the Hague, May 20, 2014. This was followed by a series of lectures which I organized at the University of Groningen at the BA and Master levels, May 27, 28, 2014.

Netherlands National Human Rights Institution, College voor de Rechten van de Mens, invited to attend the spring conference 'Elk voordorrdeel heb z'n nadeel.' Follow up with Ministry of Education officials with recently published articles on anti-discrimination, Hilversum, April 14, 2014.

Spring Conference on Good Governance and Sustainable Society, SInGA conference, organizer of this event with the Indonesian Ambassador to the Netherlands and World Bank officials, Rudolf

Treffers, Executive Director, and Theo Thomas, Brussels office, formerly head of public management team Jakarta, and 8 PhD candidates. Groningen, April 9, 10, 2014.

European Commission, Representative to the Netherlands, invited guest *Sociale uitdagingen in Noord-Nederland: EU reactie noodzakelijk?*, Groningen Forum, April 8, 2014.

Human Rights and Equal Treatment in the Netherlands and Beyond, organizer of this event with Laurien Koster, President of the Netherlands Institute for Human Rights and Groningen, and seven professors briefly presenting their human rights research from the faculties of Art, Law, Spatial Science, and Medical Science, to members of the academic community, officials from the city, and civil society organizations, Groningen, the Netherlands, March 20, 2014.

Netherlands Institute for Multiparty Democracy (NIMD) and Globalization Studies Groningen (GSG), Social Justice Masterclass for 10 young Tunisian party and parliamentary officials from across the political spectrum, presentation and discussion about social justice in the European Union, policy-making and modes of decision making based on consensus and incremental progress toward social justice, Groningen, the Netherlands, Jan. 2014.

Swedish Foundation for Humanities and Social Sciences (Rijksbankens Jubileumsfond). Chair of oversight and advisory committee for funded research 'Pride Parades in Six European Countries', appointment November 2013.

Diversity Day Groningen, one of the organizers of this event in the public library and the center of the city with Discrimination Point Groningen, and subsequently published an article about the links between teaching, research and valorization in the university newspaper, see <http://www.ukrant.nl/opinie-blogs/international/diversity-day-groningen.html>, October 4, 2013

Organizer and speaker of a symposium at Monash University, European and EU Centre '**Increasing the Effectiveness of Equal Opportunity and Human Rights Institutions in Europe and Australia**,' with Karen Toohey, Commissioner, Victorian Equal Opportunity and Human Rights Commission and Laurien Koster, President, Netherlands national human rights institution, to bring together policymakers and academics, August 7, 2013, Melbourne, Australia.

Meetings in **Jakarta, Indonesia** with various Indonesian ministries (planning, foreign, justice), the World Bank, and the EU delegation related to the SInGA research program at the University of Groningen, good governance and sustainable society, involving 7 PhD candidates, July 2013.

World Bank. Meetings with officials to discuss the worldwide Good governance indicators. Research related to a Groningen PhD inter-disciplinary hub 'Good Governance and Sustainable Society' with the research question 'How can improved multi-level governance (international, national, local) lead to sustainable societies in middle-income developing countries?' Washington, D.C., December 2012.

Election Night Groningen, Forum Groningen, town hall style meeting on US domestic and foreign policy, with comparisons to the Netherlands, as part of the election night activities. Interview article in Dagblad van het Noorden, p. 2. 'Amerikaanse Verkiezingen.' Nov. 6, 2012.

Conference, Europe's Common Foreign and Security Policy, **Institute for Europäische Politik**, Berlin, October 2012,

Equality and Diversity Day in Groningen, initiator, and part of the organizational committee organizing a set of events focused on equality and diversity on a Saturday in Groningen, including a lecture on multiple discrimination by D. Ghidei, Commissioner, Commissie Gelijke Behandeling in the City Hall, coalition building with local NGOs, and outreach to the broader public in the city's public squares. Oct. 2012. Also, October 2013, year 2.

Company Pride Platform, annual conference, 'Talent to Change For' presented our research results in front of 200 persons from the 20 largest employers from across the Netherlands, see <http://workplacepride.org/blog/2012/06/14/workplace-pride-publishes-research-talent-to-change-for/> Amsterdam, June 2012

Indonesian government delegation, Ministry of National Development Planning, SPIRIT program for bureaucratic reform, World Bank, discussions surrounding the establishment of Master and PhD research program at the University of Groningen for civil servants. November 2011.

LISBOAN Erasmus Academic Network, organizer and co-convenor of conference ‘Governance Changes in the Area of Freedom, Security, and Justice after the Lisbon Treaty,’ at the **Dutch Ministry of the Interior and Kingdom Relations and the Dutch Second Parliamentary chamber**, with 9 scholars from across Europe. October 20, 21, 2011 The Hague.

Good Practice Exchange. Discrimination on the grounds of sexual orientation and gender identity – how to overcome the barriers to public policy making, speaker, organized by the European Commission and the Government of Estonia, Tallinn, September 29-30, 2011.

Pink Saturday, Groningen. remarks from the main stage in the public square in front of 400+ persons, concerning gay pride marches across Europe, and the need for trade unions and civil society organizations to work together across borders, July 2, 2011.

Visit of Boris Dittrich, Human Rights Watch, to the University of Groningen, organized visit for him to speak about the work of HRW around the world to master students and faculty interested in human right issues, July 1, 2011.

Court of Justice of the European Union, visit of Sacha Prechal, ECJ Judge to the University of Groningen Law School, question and answer in public forum regarding the progress made in the case law of both the ECJ and the ECtHR to secure rights for LGBT persons.

Court of Justice of the European Union. ‘The Role of the ECJ in EU Integration after Lisbon,’ Trans European Policy Studies Association and CER, discussion with justices and scholars on fundamental rights, justice and home affairs, and EU citizenship, Luxembourg, May 6, 2011.

Ministry of Internal Affairs and Kingdom Relations, the Netherlands. ‘EU Grondrechtenagentschap (FRA) in Nederland,’ invited to attend a conference program at the ministry to discuss Dutch goals toward the EU’s Fundamental Rights Agency. April 2011.

Addis Ababa University, Ethiopia, meetings in the political science department concerning EU-Ethiopia relations and programs in the Horn of Africa related to development, governance, and human rights, Addis Ababa, January 2011.

Commissie Gelijke Behandeling invited guest, annual speech, Alexander Rinnooy Kan, Chair, Social and Economic Council (SER), on employment and discrimination, December 2010.

Belgian Presidency, 4th Annual Equality Summit, workshop chair for this conference which brings together ministers from the member states, NGOs, and social partners to discuss equality and non-discrimination, Brussels, November 2010.

Netherlands Fulbright Alumni Association (NFAA), attend Thanksgiving speech by Dutch Minister Frans Timmermans, with Dutch people that attended US universities on exchange, Utrecht, Nov. 2010.

ILGA-Europe, participation in this annual meeting of the International Lesbian and Gay Association with organizers from across Europe, the Dutch government, and representatives from the EU, The Hague, October 2010.

Fundamental Rights Agency, meetings about changes to the EU’s decision-making in the Area of Freedom, Justice, and Security (AFSJ) after the Lisbon Treaty, new opportunities for the development of fundamental human rights and non-discrimination, Vienna, October 2010.

Austrian Institute for International Affairs, discussion with Paul Luif to co-edit a special journal issue focused on changes in governance and policy in the Area of Security, Freedom, and Justice (AFSJ) after Lisbon, following a conference in the Netherlands with invited scholars from the

LISBOAN network, the Dutch government, and the EU's Fundamental Rights Agency, Vienna, October 2010.

Chair, 'Regulation by Standardization: Limits and Implementation of (Regulatory) Governance' for the conference - **Tentative Governance in Emerging Science and Technology: Actor Constellations, Institutional Arrangements & Strategies**, organized by Eu-SPRI Forum and the Twente Institute for Innovation and Governance Studies (IGS), October 2010.

City of Utrecht and Human Rights, attendance at event in city hall celebrating 60 years of COC, spoke with the mayor about new policy under development to declare Utrecht a human rights city, appointment in November with civil servant policy maker to discuss the inclusion of equality and non-discrimination in the cities human rights agenda, September 2010.

Democrats Abroad, book presentation by Steven Hill 'Europe's Promise: Why the European Way is Best for Insecure Times,' Amsterdam, September 2010.

Stakeholders Meeting, Anti-Discrimination in the Netherlands, meeting with NGOs and government representatives, an outreach activity of the Network of Experts in the Field of Anti-Discrimination, funded by the European Commission, Nijmegen, October 12, 2010.

Human Rights and Conflict, conference participant, Netherlands Institute for Human Rights, Utrecht, September 9, 10, 2010.

Lijsttrekkersdebat, **candidate leaders debate before the Dutch National Election, COC, Amsterdam, May 28, 2010.**

Equality Forum '**GLBT Rights in Africa**' participant, Philadelphia, April 29, 2010.

European Commission and the Government Expert Group (GEG) , '**Exchanging Best Practices in Combating Discrimination based on Sexual Orientation**' major conference with EU and 10 member states, participant and planning with Dutch government, Ministries of Education and Internal Affairs, The Hague, April 17-19, 2010.

US Assistant Secretary of State for Democracy, Human Rights, and Labor, Michael Posner, 'Tracking Human Rights Worldwide' following the release of the 2009 Country Reports on Human Rights, question posed during Q & A, New York University (NYU) Law School, March 12, 2010.

Beijing +15 Review, CEDAW and Women's Rights, NGO meeting on the current situation impacting women in East Africa, United Nations, New York, March 9, 2010.

International Gay and Lesbian Human Rights Commission (IGLHRC) 'Human Rights in Africa,' organized by CLEGS, City University of New York, March 8, 2010.

Human Rights Watch, LGBT working group meeting, strategies for international engagement, New York, February 23, 2010.

Stakeholders Meeting, Anti-Discrimination in Germany, meeting with NGOs and government representatives, part of role as senior EU Expert for anti-discrimination, October 2009.

Copenhagen World Outgames, planned and conducted a workshop in the plenary hall with Western and Eastern European partners 'Strategizing across borders: LGBT organizations sharing internal and external successes and challenges at the National, EU, and UN levels' in English, Spanish and French. Conference on Human Rights, Copenhagen, July 27-29, 2009.

Invited Guest, **Dutch Royal Academy**, KNAW, Social Scientific Council workshops, 'Democracy and the Rechtsstaat' and 'Migration and Integration', Amsterdam. July 2009.

Invited guest, '**Towards an International Rainbow Coalition**', with Michael Guest, Council for Global Equality, organized by the **Hivos foundation, International Peace Palace**, The Hague, June 2009

Invited guest, award gala, Dutch Government **State Prize for Gay Emancipation**, at the Royal Schouwburg, Den Hague, May 2009.

Invited guest, **Dutch European Parliament candidate debate, human rights and the EU**, organized by COC Netherlands. **May 2009.**

Scottish Parliament and Equality Unit of the Scottish Executive, interviews with the Equal Opportunities Committee convener and clerk of the committee, and civil servants in the Equality Unit responsible for policy development and implementation with government and civil society. April 2009.

Innovation for Good Local and Regional Governance – A European Challenge, participant in this conference at the University of Twente with academic, local government officials, and ministry officials from across Europe. Discussion about the role of diversity and anti-discrimination in the policies of local governments, April 2009.

Belgium Holiebi Expert Network 'Network focal points - LGBT friendly governments', Flemish Equal Opportunities House, invited speaker, Feb.2009.

Discussion and lecture for students and teachers, **Amsterdam High Schools** with a diverse student population, including Reigersbos, Comenius Lyceum, and the International School of Amsterdam, Amstelveen concerning democratic participation and civil society. Initial discussion to establish tutoring between universities and schools to increase the under-represented in Dutch higher education. November 2008-March 2009.

Netherlands Ministry of the Interior and Constitutional Affairs. Visit with European Studies students to learn about the impact of the EU on policy developments within the ministry, especially in the area of anti-discrimination. November 2008.

Guest of honor, **Netherlands Fulbright Alumni Association (NFAA)**, Thanksgiving speech by Dutch Foreign Minister Maxine Verhagen and discussions concerning transatlantic relations at the dinner table with the minister, civil servants, academics, and business representatives. Nov. 2008

International Lesbian and Gay Association (ILGA-Europe), Vienna, participant, Discussion about strategy concerning the new EU anti-discrimination directive. Oct. 2008.

Vrije University Amsterdam, lecture to Honors Program of the VU, 'Democracy, Civil Society, and You' September 2008.

Netherlands North-African Gay and Lesbian debate, organized by NAFAR and COC with the Mayor of Amsterdam, Job Cohen. August 1, 2008.

International Conference on Human Rights and Homophobia, interview with Jordi Petit, President d'Honor, Catalan Federation of Gay and Lesbian Organizations, Eurogames Barcelona, July 25, 2008.

Research-Policy Dialogues on Migration and Integration in Europe, IMISCOE conference, Commentary on contribution of speakers from the European Network against Racism (ENAR) and EURO CITIES, May 2008.

Chair, Democrats Abroad Netherlands Platform Issues Committee, preparation of resolutions for Democratic party regional convention in Brussels and Democratic National Convention in Denver, Jan-November 2008.

Kerala University, Loyola College of Social Science, Kerala, India, visit to learn about the social labs created to bring NGOs and visiting students together in service based learning opportunities in India, March 2008.

Réalité's Européennes du Présent (REP), participation in NGO conference 'Europe: our Heritage, our City, our Future' on citizen's role in the EU, participation and deliberation. Brussels, March 2008.

Democrats Abroad Global Primary. Interviews with NOS Radio and Het Parool, Amsterdam, February 5, 2008.

European Commission, DG Employment, Social Affairs and Equal Opportunities, Unit: Action against discrimination, Civil society, consultation concerning the 2008 strategy to extend the anti-discrimination directives outside the employment context. Brussels, January 2008.

Wiardi Beckman Foundation, PvdA think tank, 'In Search of Progressive America' participant in a closed session with ministers Wouter Bos (Vice PM) and Bert Kounders (International Cooperation and Development) and American and Dutch scholars on progressive thought. Amsterdam, December 2007.

Campaign Against Homophobia (Poland), Hatter Society (Hungary), Czech Gay Initiative (Czech Republic). Meetings across Eastern Europe to discuss national and European strategies, possible domestic coalition strategies with other civil society organizations and political parties, and transnational cooperation between organizations. December 2007.

Wetenschappelijke Raad voor het Regeringsbeleid (WRR), Dutch Scientific Council for Government Policy, chair of panel 'Politiek and Bestuur' on expert roundtable 'EU Legitimacy at the National Level,' Clingendael, The Hague, November 30, 2007.

Austrian Ministry of Economy and Work, invitation to participate in 'Tag der Chancengleichheit', organized for the 2007 European Year of Equal Opportunities by the ministry and civil society organizations, Vienna, Austria. November 5, 2007.

ILGA-Europe. Meetings in Brussels concerning the strategy of the International Lesbian and Gay Association in Europe towards the European Union and the Council of Europe. July 2007.

Dutch-American Relations, Celebration of 225 Year of Dutch-American Relations, invitation of the Dutch Prime Minister and American Ambassador to join the diplomatic corps and American and Dutch communities, The Hague, April 2007.

COSAC Meeting, Danish Presidency of the European Union, members of national parliaments from the EU, organized the 'Copenhagen Dialogue on Democracy' with academic scholars, members of parliament, and staff members from European Affairs Committees. Copenhagen, October 15-17, 2002.

U.S. White House. Meeting with the Deputy White House Political Director during the Clinton Presidency, to discuss polling and campaign strategy surrounding congressional district visits by the President, Washington, D.C., February 1999.

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