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CURRICULUM VITAE

Personal details

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Higher Education

University of Groningen: B.A. (Kandidaats) in Economics (1981)
University of Groningen: M.A. (Doctoraal) in Agricultural and Development Economics, with
 distinction: Cum Laude (1985)
University of Groningen: M.A. (Doctoraal) in Economics (1986)
University of Groningen: Ph. D. in Economics (1-4-1993), on “International Comparisons of
 Output and Productivity. Manufacturing Productivity Performance of
 Ten Countries from 1950 to 1990”

Knowledge of languages English and Dutch (mother tongue): fluent in speaking, writing and
 reading;
 French and German: good reading ability, basic speaking ability
 Spanish and Portuguese: basic reading ability

Employment Record

Current:

2008 to date The Conference Board: Executive Vice-President and Chief Economist; since 2014 also Chief Strategy Officer
2004 to date University of Groningen, Faculty of Economics: Full Professor in “Economic Development, Technological Change and Growth” (as of 1 July 2008: part-time)

Past:

2010-2011 The Conference Board: Senior Vice President
2008-2009 The Conference Board: Vice President
2007-2008 The Conference Board: Executive Director (interim) for Economic Research
2000 - 2004 University of Groningen, Faculty of Economics: Professor in “Economics of Productivity and Technology Policy”
1997 - 1999 University of Groningen, Faculty of Economics: Associate Professor (Senior Lecturer) in Economics
1990 - 1996 University of Groningen, Faculty of Economics: Assistant Professor (Lecturer) in Economics
1988 - 1990 National Institute of Economic and Social Research (NIESR), London: Research Officer
1986 - 1987 University of Groningen, Faculty of Economics: Ph.D. Researcher
1981 - 1985 University of Groningen, Faculty of Economics: Research Assistant

Additional Positions

Past:

1997 - 2006 Consulting Director International Economic Research of The Conference Board, New York
2000 - 2006 Chair of Dept. of International Economics and Business, Faculty of Economics, University of Groningen
2006 - 2007 Associate Dean International Affairs, Faculty of Economics and Faculty of Management and Organization, University of Groningen

Other (Academic) Functions

Current:

2013 to date Contributor to MeJudice Economenpanel
2012 to date Member of the Board of Directors of The Demand Institute
2011 to date Director by Appointment of The Conference Board at the National Bureau of Economic Research
from 1998 Member International Advisory Board *International Productivity Monitor*, Centre for the Study of Living Standards, Ottawa (Canada)

Past:

1991-2008 Director (until 2002 Executive Secretary) of Groningen Growth and Development Centre, University of Groningen

1996-2001	Member of Council "European Historical Economics Society" Programme Director "Comparative Historical National Accounts", N.W. Posthumus Institute
1999-2001	Theme coordinator programme C: "Coordination and Growth of Economies", Research Institute Systems, Organization and Management (SOM), University of Groningen
2002-2003	Member of Evaluation Committee on Postdoc Proposals (VENI), Dutch Science Foundation (NWO)
2002-2003	Member of Research Programme Committee on "Measurement in the Digital Economy", Dutch Science Foundation (NWO)
2003-2004	High level expert on Information Society to Erkki Liikanen, EU Commissioner DG Enterprise
1992-2004	Member of Editorial Board <i>Review of Income and Wealth</i> .
1998-2004	Member of Advisory Committee on National Accounts, Statistics Netherlands
1998-2004	Member of Editorial Board <i>De Economist. Quarterly Journal of the Royal Netherlands Economics Association</i>
2002-2004	Member of Council "International Association for Research in Income and Wealth" (IARIW)
2002-2012	Research Professor, Deutsches Institut für Wirtschaftsforschung (German Institute for Economic Research), Berlin
2003-2006	Member of Scientific Advisory Board of BAK Basel Economics, Basel (Switzerland)
2003-2006	Member of Advisory Board of Blekinge Institute of Technology, Blekinge (Sweden)
2004-2009	Managing Editor of the <i>Review of Income and Wealth</i> (with Stephan Klasen)
2005-2009	Vice-chairman of Expert Group on "Knowledge for Growth" for Janez Potocnik, EU Commissioner DG Research
2003-2008	Chairman of Programme Committee for Research Programme on "Dynamics of Innovation", Dutch Science Foundation (NWO/MagW) and Ministry of Economic Affairs (EZ/DGI)
2004-2008	Chairman of Advisory Committee on Macroeconomic Statistics, Statistics Netherlands
2004-2008	Member of Advisory Board of Centre for Innovation, Research and Competence in the Learning Economy (CIRCLE), University of Lund (Sweden)
2013	Member of Committee on "Value of Academic Science", Royal Netherlands Academy of Arts and Sciences, Amsterdam.

Visiting Positions

1994: July	University of Coimbra, Portugal, Economics Faculty (1 week)
1995: April	CV Starr Center, New York University (1 week)
1996: October - December	RSSAP, Australian National University, Canberra (2 months)
2002: January - July	Economic Growth Center, Yale University (7 months)
2006: April	Visiting Professor, School of Economics, Fudan University, Shanghai (1 month)

Consultancies and Project Management

Past:

1994-2003	Various consultancies with OECD Economics Department (ECON) and Science, Technology and Industry (STI) Department, Paris.
1990-1992	Consultant for National Institute of Economic and Social Research, (NIESR), London.
1992-1993	Fellow of the McKinsey Global Institute, Washington D.C.
1995	Consultant for Labour Cost Research Associates Limited, London.
1995-1996	Project coordinator INTAS project "Productivity Performance and Potential of the Independent States of the Former Soviet Union".
1996	Consultant for Eurostat Industrial Statistics Division.
1998-2003	Project leader "Structural Information Provision Innovation in Services", Ministry of Economic Affairs, The Hague
2001-2002	Project leader "ICT and Growth Accounting" for DG ECFIN, European Commission (with CEPII, Paris)
2001-2004	Consultant for Italian Authority for Telecommunication and Media on "Economics of Knowledge"
2002-2003	Participation in project on "EU Performance Analysis of the EU Economy from the Point of View of its Industrial Sectors" for DG Enterprise, European Commission (with NIESR, London)
2004-2008	Project leader for EUKLEMS project "Productivity in the European Union: A Comparative Industry Approach", 6 th Framework Programme, DG Research (proposal 502049)

Research Programmes Associated With

Present:

1985 to date	Groningen Growth and Development Centre – Faculty of Economics, University of Groningen.
1994 to date	Research School "Systems, Organization and Management", programme C "Coordination and Growth of Economies", Faculty of Economics University of Groningen
1997 to date	Economics & Business Environment Practice of The Conference Board, New York

Past:

1981-1985	Long Term Growth in the Agricultural Sectors of Developed and Developing Countries - University of Groningen.
1988-1992	International Comparisons of Productivity and Investment in Human and Physical Capital - NIESR, London.
1992-1993	Manufacturing Productivity Project, McKinsey Global Institute, Washington D.C.
1992-1994	Comparative Experience of Economic Growth in Postwar Europe, Centre of Economic Policy Research, London.1
1992-2013	Visiting Fellow at the National Institute for Economic and Social Research, London (United Kingdom)
1993-1999	N.W. Posthumus Institute, Research Programme "Comparative Historical National Accounts"
1994-1996	Productivity Performance and Potential of the Independent States of the Former Soviet Union, INTAS/European Union.

1995-1996	INTAS Project "Productivity Performance and Potential of the Independent States of the Former Soviet Union".
1996-1998	Economics Programme, Germany Institute, Amsterdam
1996-1999	Project on Services Innovation (SIID), Netherlands Ministry Economic Affairs, The Hague
2000-2004	EU 5 th framework programme on "Employment Prospects in the Knowledge Economy" (participant)
2000-2004	NWO (Netherlands Science Foundation) project on "Technology and Economic Growth" (TEG)
2003-2004	USAID project on "Information & Communication Technologies as Drivers of Economic Development in Post-Communist Countries" with Tiger (Warsaw, Poland)

Ph.D. and Postdoc Supervision

1994-1997	Ph.D. project by Remco Kouwenhoven on "Economic Performance and Potential in Former Centrally Planned Economies: China and the former Soviet Union, 1900-1993", Promotor: Angus Maddison. Project funded by local research school SOM
1994-1996	Postdoc project by Peter Groote and Ronald Albers on "Capital Formation in European countries and United States in Historical Perspective". Project funded by NWO (Netherlands Science Foundation)
1998-2002	Ph.D. project by Jaap Sleifer on "Structural Change and Growth in East and West Germany, 1936-1995". Supervision together with prof. Rainer Fremdling. Project funded by NWO (Dutch Science Foundation) through Germany Institute Amsterdam (Ph.D.: 13 February 2003)
1998-2002	Postdoc project by Jan Pieter Smits on "Economic Growth and Technological Change in the Netherlands, 1800-1995". Project funded by NWO (Netherlands Science Foundation)
1998-2003	Postdoc project by Marcel Timmer on "Productivity Dynamics of Asia since the 1960s". Project funded by NWO (Netherlands Science Foundation)
1998-2002	Ph.D. project by Peter Hein van Mulligen on "The Role of Quality Change in International Comparisons of Output and Productivity". Project funded by local research school SOM (Ph.D.: 25 Sept. 2003)
2002-2005	Ph.D. project by Robert Inklaar on "The Impact of ICT on the Phillips Curve, Productivity, and the Business Cycle: Differences across Europe and the US". Supervision together with prof. dr. Jakob de Haan. Project funded by local research school SOM (Ph.D.: 12 January 2006)
1997-2006	Ph.D. project by Marieke Rensman on "Productivity Differentials and Externalities in European Growth, 1900-1995". Supervision together with dr. Gerard Kuper. Project funded by NWO (Netherlands Science Foundation) (Ph.D.: 6 July 2006)
2003-2008	Ph. D. project by Ewout Frankema on "Growth and Inequality in Latin America and East Asia, ca. 1930-2000: An economic historical perspective". Supervision together with dr. Jan Pieter Smits. Project funded by local research school SOM (Ph.D.: 6 March 2008)

2003 -2007	Ph.D. project by Abdul Azeez on “Innovation, Investment and the Measurement of Capital”. Supervision together with dr. Marcel Timmer. Project funded by local research school SOM (Ph.D.: 4 December 2008)
2004 -2010	Ph. D. project by Jutta Bolt on “Explaining Africa’s Growth Tragedy. The impact of initial conditions on growth performance”. Supervision together with prof. Robert Lensink. Project funded by local research school SOM (Ph.D.: 11 March 2010)
2006 -2010	Ph. D. project by Misbah Tanveer Choudhry on “Labour Dynamics and Economic Growth”. Supervision together with dr. Paul Elhorst. Project funded by NUFFIC (Ph.D.: 5 July 2010)

Publication list – available on request:

- More than 60 journal publications
- More than 50 publications in edited books
- More than 10 edited books and journals
- More than 30 co-authored reports
- More than 50 working papers
- More than 20 non-academic publications
- More than 10 book reviews