

CURRICULUM VITAE

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Education

2017 >: Helmut Schmidt University Hamburg / University of the German Federal Armed Forces Hamburg, Germany: Postgraduate Master of Arts of Civil-Military Interaction (M-CMI)
2013 >: Maastricht University, The Netherlands: PhD Candidate in Political Sciences and Electoral Studies: 'Separation of Distance: Conflict and the Process of Borderization in the Russian Federation and its Near Abroad'
2009 – 2009: Pushkin State University, Moscow, Russian Federation: Russian Language & Culture Studies
2008 – 2008: UNITAR-POCI United Nations Institute for Training and Research Scuola Superiore Sant'Anna di Pisa, Italy: Civilian Personnel of Peacekeeping & Peace-building Operations
2005 – 2006: Radboud University Nijmegen, The Netherlands & Centre for International Development Issue (CIDIN), Nijmegen, The Netherlands: Postgraduate Degree 'Public Support and International Development'
2004 – 2005: Utrecht University, The Netherlands & National Commission for International Cooperation and Sustainable Development (NCDO), The Hague, The Netherlands: Global Development Education 'Global Citizenship and Development'
1997 – 2001: University of Tilburg, The Netherlands: Master of Arts Educational and Cultural Psychology (*With Merits*) – Minors in Psychotraumatology and Women Studies
1996 – 1997: University of Tilburg, The Netherlands: *Examen Propaedeuticum* in Social Sciences (*With Honors*)
1989 – 1990: Teacher's College Tilburg, The Netherlands, first year completed successfully
1983 – 1989: Theresia Lyceum Tilburg, The Netherlands: Atheneum α (Grammar School)

Professional Career

2016 >: United Nations Development Programme / UN Volunteers: Chief, Peace Programming Section, Bonn, Germany
2014 – 2016: Organisation for Security and Co-operation in Europe (OSCE), OSCE Special Monitoring Mission to Ukraine: Monitoring Officer Donetsk, Monitoring Officer Kherson, Deputy Patrol Hub Leader Mariupol, Acting Patrol Hub Leader Mariupol, Ukraine
2012 – 2013: UPEACE The Hague, Lecturer 'Transforming War Economies', International Public Management, Safety & Law Programme, The Hague, The Netherlands
2011 – 2013: Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Kingdom of The Netherlands: Senior Policy Officer Department for Human Rights, Gender, Good Governance and Humanitarian Aid, The Hague, The Netherlands
2010 – 2011: European Union Monitoring Mission to Georgia: Team Leader Human Rights and Humanitarian Assistance, Tbilisi/Gori, Republic of Georgia
2009 – 2010: European External Action Services, Democracy and Election Observation Unit: Project Leader 'Reform of the EU Election Observers' Evaluation System, Brussels, Belgium
2008 – 2010: BAZN Academy for Public Administration: Lecturer in Governance, Democratisation and Civil Administration, Tilburg, The Netherlands
2004 – 2008: Fontys University of Applied Sciences, Fontys International Projects: International Project Manager, Eindhoven, The Netherlands
2003 – 2004: Lysøen Museet (Museum on Norwegian violinist Ole Bull): Educational Consultant, Bergen, Norway
1999 – 2004: Mundial Productions: Developer of educational material 'Mundial in the Classroom', Tilburg, The Netherlands
1997 – 2003: SOM DOBA Educational Consultancy: Educational Consultant / Educational Psychologist, Tilburg, The Netherlands

Visiting lecturer (multi-annual)

Tilburg University, Tilburg, The Netherlands, School for Social and Behavioural Sciences, Department of Social Psychology
University of Bergen, Bergen, Norway, Department of Comparative Politics, Course on Human Rights, Human Rights Monitoring and International Election Observation
Sungkyunkwan University (SKKU), Seoul, Republic of Korea, Faculty of Social and Political Sciences, Summer Intensive Programme on Globalisation, Crisis and Recovery
Fordham University, Rose Hill Campus The Bronx, NYC, USA, Women's Faculty, Gender Studies
Birkbeck College, University of London, London, United Kingdom, School of Education, Communication & Language Sciences (ECLS), Undergraduate Course on Cross-Cultural Communication and Public Management

Governing positions

Secretary-General EuroDéfense The Netherlands (European Union International Institute for Strategic Studies) (2018)
Member of the Board of Advice Stichting Veteranen Brabant Zuid Oost – SVBZO (Veteran Organisation) (2018)
Nieuwe of Littéraire Sociëteit De Witte - International Table (2017)
Member of the Board of Advice Stichting Veteranen Hart van Brabant (Veteran Organisation) (2016)
Member Executive Committee Remonstrant Brotherhood (Commissie tot de Zaken) (2016-2017)
Board of Recommendation United Netherlands – International Relations & Diplomacy Radboud University Nijmegen (2014)
Board of Recommendation 'Building Bridges' (UN 'He for She Campaign') (2014)
Board of Recommendation Eindhoven Peace Centre Foundation (2013)
Advisory Committee Wounded Warriors The Netherlands (2013)
Advisor to the Board of PortAgora - Centre for European Co-operation (2013)
Board Member Netherlands Society for International Affairs (NGIZ-Zuid) (2011)
Committee of Recommendation United Nations Student Association Groningen (SIB) (2011)
Board Member PAX – IKV Interchurch Peace Council (2007) * Nobel Peace Prize Laureate as part of ICAN - the International Campaign to Abolish Nuclear Weapons, 06 October 2017
Board of Advice Foundation for Peace Sciences (SVW) (2005)
Board Member Dutch United Nations Association (UNA) (2004)
Board of Recommendation 'Break down the Wall' (Israel & Palestinian Territories Peace Initiative) (2009)
Expanded Executive Committee CISV International (2005-2009) * Awarded European Citizen's Prize by EU Parliament, 16 October 2013
Trustee CISV The Netherlands (2002-2005)
Board Member CISV The Netherlands (1998-2002)

Memberships

Vrienden van Cobbenhagen (Tilburg University alumni network) (2017)
Convention of Christian approaches to Defence and Disarmament (CCADD) (2016)
International Association for Religious Freedom (IARF) (2014)
International Institute for Strategic Studies (IISS) (2013)
EuroDéfense (European Union International Institute for Strategic Studies) (2013)
The Hague Institute for Global Justice; Knowledge Platform Security and Rule of Law (2012)
European Movement The Netherlands (EBN) (2012)
Netherlands Atlantic Association (2011)
Society for International Development (SID) (2007)
Brooke Hospital for Animals The Netherlands (Equine Charity) (2007)
Netherlands Society for International Affairs (NGIZ) (2007-2011)
Society for Intercultural Education, Training and Research (SIETAR) (2006-2012)
Amnesty International The Netherlands (2005)
International Crisis Response Network (ICRN) (2004)
Animal Welfare Society The Netherlands (2003)
Vereniging Afgestudeerde Psychologen Tilburg – V.A.P.T. (Tilburg University alumni network for Psychologists) (2001)
Psychological Association The Netherlands (NIP) (1996) * Since 23 December 2002: NIP-registered Psychologist

Recognition

Nominated 'Women in the Media' Award by Media Platform VIDM - Vrouwen in de Media (2017)
Medal 'International Missions / OSCE International Operations', Ministry of Defence Kingdom of the Netherlands (2016)
Ambassador Breath Foundation 'Care for Kids'; creating opportunities for Children in Georgia (2012)
Medal 'Pro Pace Unum' United for Peace - European Union Monitoring Mission to the Republic of Georgia (2011)
Awarded 'Ambassador for Peace' Universal Peace Federation (2010)
Listed Top-100 'Most influential Dutch Women' Women's Magazine 'Opzij' (2010)
United Nations Special Representative on Women (2010)
Listed Top-400 'Most influential Dutch Women' Women's Magazine 'Viva' (2009)
Recognition of Remarkable Commitment and Outstanding Contribution to CISV International's Global Development (2009)
Awarded 'Talent in International Development' Dutch Society for International Affairs (2008)
Holder 'Schokland Millennium Development Goals Accord # 47' - Pact of Schokland (2007)

Ms Van Peski is a Dutch national, diplomat, licenced psychologist and a professional in the field of security, peace building and humanitarian affairs whose achievements have received international recognition. She is regarded as being among the most influential women of her generation in the Netherlands - listed as one of the top 400 by Women's Magazine 'Viva' (2009) and among the top 100 of 'Opzij' Magazine (2010). In 2010, she was appointed United Nations Special Representative for her country, addressing the 65th United Nations General Assembly in New York with her statement 'Deepening Democracy'. Ms Van Peski holds permanent residence in Tilburg, the Netherlands, from where she lives and works abroad. She is an active member of the Remonstrant Brotherhood and aligns with the liberal ideas of D66 (ALDE Group). Ms Van Peski's academic interests lay in the politico-social history of the Russian Federation and its near abroad, European history of the 19th and 20th century, oecumenical theology and American literature. She collects porcelain and Russian orthodox icons, enjoys music by Bach, dog walking, and playing cricket. In her spare time, Ms Van Peski appreciates vacationing in the Swiss Alps and swimming off the coast of the Dutch Province of Zeeland.