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1 Personal

- Date of birth: March 28, 1963 in Bensheim/Germany
- Nationality: German, since 1990 living and working The Netherlands
- Two daughters, Mira Bella (1998) and Marie Sophie (2003); divorced (2012).

2 Education and Academic Degrees

- October 1995. **PhD Social Sciences**. Thesis: "'Should auld Acquaintance be forgot...?' The Institutions of Communism, the Transition to Capitalism, and Personal Networks: The Case of East Germany." Interuniversity Center of Social Science Theory and Methodology (ICS)/Dept. of Sociology, Utrecht University, The Netherlands. Promotors: Henk Flap, (Utrecht); Tom Snijders (Groningen); Kurt Mühler (Leipzig University, Germany).
- September 1990. **MSc Psychology, ('Diplom')**. University of Heidelberg/Germany (focus: theoretical psychology, social psychology, methods). Grade: '*sehr gut*'/cum laude.
- October 1982 – February 1984. Study of **Philosophy, Modern History, and Applied Mathematics** (candidate).
- August 1982. Graduation Secondary School, '**Abitur**', Gymnasium 'Institutae Sanctae Mariae', Bensheim /Germany; grade: '*sehr gut*'.

3 Academic Positions

- September 2015 -: **Program Director of Research Group** 'Institutions, Inequalities and Life Courses'; Department of Sociology, University of Amsterdam; (1.0fte.)
- February 2015 -: **Full Professorship** in Sociology, chair: 'Sociology, focus on network studies and inequality' at the Faculty of Behavioral and Social Sciences, Dept. of Sociology, University of Amsterdam.
- March 2012 – February 2015: **Full Professorship**, chair 'Sociology of Social Capital'. Utrecht University, 'Profileringsleerstoel'.
- March 2007 – March 2012: **Professorship**, chair, 'Sociological determinants of prosocial behavior'; endowed chair by the 'Van der Gaag Stichting'/Royal Dutch Academy of Arts and Sciences; KNAW (0.2 fte).
- January 2002 – 2007: **Associate Professor**, Dept. of Sociology/ICS; Utrecht University.
- July 2001 - December 2005. **KNAW fellow/VIDI researcher**. ICS/UU (0.8fte).
- September 1997 - June 2001. **Postdoctoral researcher**, ICS/UU, (0.8fte).
- September 1997 - October 2000. **Postdoctoral researcher**, **VENI** (PPS) grant by NWO.
- April 1996 - September 1997. **Full Professor, fixed term**, ('*Vertretungsprofessur*'); chair: 'Empirical Research in the Social Sciences' at the Department of Sociology, University of Aachen (RWTH), Germany; (1.0fte).
- November 1995 - April 1996. **Postdoctoral Researcher**, University Grant, University of Groningen (0.8fte).
- February 1995 – 2003. **Researcher** at 'Bureau Driessen, Bureau for Social Science Research and Advice', Utrecht. (Freelance).
- September 1990 - January 1995. **PhD fellow**, Dept. of Sociology/ICS, Utrecht University

- October 1987 - July 1988. **Research Assistant** at the ‘International Institute for Research in Educational Science’, Frankfurt/a.M, Germany.
- February 1985 - December 1988. **Research Assistant**, Department of Theoretical Psychology, University of Heidelberg, Germany.

4 Grants/honors for Research

- 2017. Grant for a junior researcher. NWO/NWA-program: Towards Resilient Societies.
- 2016. Elected member of the KHMW, Royal Holland Society of Sciences and Humanities.
- 2016. NWO talent grant (Dragana Stojmenovski)
- 2015. Seed money UU: ‘starting up’ grant, research on spatial mobility and well-being. 10k€ (with Gideon Bolt).
- 2013. Grant ‘seed-money’ by the focus-area of the University ‘**Origins and Impact of Institutions**’ (10 k€).
- 2012. Grant from the **Ministry of Internal Affairs** for research about cleavages, segregation and inequality (15 k€).
- 2010. Elected fellow of the **European Academy of Sociology** (see [http:// www.europeanacademy.nl/](http://www.europeanacademy.nl/)).
- 2009. **NWO-medium investment grant** (600k€) for data collection; title “The Dutch neighborhood and network monitor: causes and consequences of neighborhood social and physical order for private and corporate actors, their networks and their ‘life chances’” (co-applicant: Veronique Schutjens, Economic Geography, UU). 2009.
- Grant from Utrecht University in the focus area: ‘**origins and impact of institutions**’, for organizing a workshop and preparing a research proposal (together with Oscar Gelderblom, Dept. of Economic History, UU), 20 k€.
- 2009. Grant from ‘**Fritz Thyssen Stiftung**’ Cologne, for data collection and PhD student (ca. 100 K€; in collaboration with J. Dennissen, Humboldt University, and M. van Aken, Utrecht)
- 2008. Grant from **KNAW/ van der Gaag Stichting** for research on neighborhood diversity and trust in neighbors; together with Peer Scheepers, Nijmegen University (25 k€)
- 2008. Grant from **KNAW/van der Gaag** for organization of symposium (12 k€)
- 2006. ‘**High Potential**’ grant from Utrecht University, (an award for duos of researchers; with budget 1000 K€ for doing research. Title: ‘Life chances of firms and neighborhoods. Duo- partner: Veronique Schutjens (Economic Geography, UU).
- 2005. Grant from **NWO/STIP** ‘Met of zonder middenveld? Een vergelijkend onderzoek naar de mobiliserende en intermediaire rol van de locale sociale infrastructuur bij processen van coproductie’. Principal applicant of project is R. Torenvlied (Sociology/ICS; Utrecht University 300k€).
- 2005. Elected ‘Young member’ of the Royal Dutch Academy of Arts and Sciences (*‘Jonge Akademie; DJA-KNAW* (12 k€).
- 2002. Grant for a KNAW-Akademie colloquium, (proposed together with Henk Flap. ‘Creation and Returns of Social Capital’(30k€.)
- 2001. **NWO-VIDI grant**. Personal grant from the Dutch Science Foundation (NWO), *Vernieuwingsimpuls*. Project: ‘Where Friends are Made. Contexts, Contacts, Consequences.’(2001, 600k€)
- 2000. **KNAW-fellowship**. Personal grant from the Royal Netherlands Academy of Arts and Sciences. Project: ‘Closed, crosscutting, and radial structures of personal networks. Context conditions and consequences’ (2000) declined because of VIDI project. (300K€)
- 1999. ISW-Grant from the Dutch Science Foundation (NWO) for organization of international conference (SCALE, Amsterdam, December 8 – 11, 1999; 30k€)
- 1997. **NWO-VENI grant**. Personal grant from the Dutch Science Foundation (NWO) Project: ‘The Local Social Arena. Meeting and ‘Mating’ in the Neighborhood’ (1997, (300k€)
- 1997. Research grant from the Dutch Science Foundation (**NWO**) for four years postdoctoral research and budget for fieldwork. Project: ‘Doing your Job. Work related social capital and networks at work’ (500k€).

- 1997. Grant for research from the Dutch Science Foundation (**NWO**) for a PhD project ‘15 million neighbors. Neighbor networks in The Netherlands’ (200k€).
- 1996. University grant for a 12-months fellowship, **University of Groningen**, Dept of Sociology (70k€).
- SIR-Grants from the Dutch Science Foundation (**NWO**) for contribution to international conferences. (1992-1995; 10k€)
- 1992. Grant from the Dutch Science Foundation (**NWO**) for a research visit at Columbia University, New York (4 months; 5k€)
- 1992. Grant from the German Science Foundation (**DFG**) for a PhD- project in East Germany. (Ph.D. student: Per Kropp, University of Leipzig). 3 years of research and budget for fieldwork. Proposal was written together with Reinhard Wippler and Kurt Mühler (Leipzig). Project ‘Personal networks and job attainment after the institutional turn. (150k€)
- 1991. Grant for Ph.D. research, the Dutch Science Foundation (**NWO**); 3 years of research and budget for fieldwork. Proposal was written together with Henk Flap and Tom Snijders. Project: ‘Personal networks in East Germany after the institutional change’(200k€).
- 1989. **Erasmus Grant** for exchange/visiting program and study at the University of Leiden, The Netherlands. (7k€)

5 Supervision and Coordination of Research Projects

a) Project supervision

Ongoing PhD supervision:

- ‘Sports and networks - the consequences of sport interventions in neighborhoods for people’s networks’ Anne de Schutter (UvA/HvA 2019-2023)
- Rethinking dimensions of inequality. Gabriel Otero (UvA, 2017-2021)
- Cosmopoliticians – where do they actually come from? is it education or parental milieu that matters for political attitudes? Sander Kunst (with Theresa Kuhn and Herman van de Werfhorst, to be completed in 2021).
- Women’s careers compared. Differences between occupational sectors? Dragana Stojmenovski (with Stephanie Steinmetz, to be completed in 2020).
- Social Networks of patients in forensic institutes (TBS) Lydia Pomp (Expertisecentrum Forensische Psychiatrie Utrecht; to be completed in 2020).
- ‘Contexts, Networks and Diversity’ Marina Tulin (UvA, to be completed in 2019)
- Leadership and member’s network status as determinants of exchange dynamics. (U-Gent, Roeliene van Es, to be completed in 2020, asked in official supervisory board).

Phd supervision (completed):

- ‘Changing institutions. A study of micro level mechanisms.’ Jacqueline van Breemen (UvA, defended May 2018).
- Social networks, policy and pro-social behavior; Arjen de Wit (UvA/VU, defended January 2018).
- Family and Personal networks. How a partner and children affect social relationships. Jesper Rözer, defended, UU, March 7, 2016)
- Social Networks of prisoners and their change during detention, Ruben de Cuyper VU/NSCR (defended May 8, 2014).
- ‘Social Capital and Health’ Phd-project of Sigrid Mohnen, UU, (defended January 13, 2012).
- Networks in closed settings. Effects of informal relations on patient behavior and therapy’. Phd- project of Ruud van der Horst, RUG, (defended November 7, 2011)
- ‘Neighborhood community and entrepreneurial activities’. Wouter Steenbeek, UU, (defended May 20, 2011).
- ‘Neighborhood and businesses. Bart Sleutjes, UU defended October 2011).

- ‘Networks in Context’. Gerald Mollenhorst, UU, (defended, May 8, 2009, Utrecht; *cum laude*).
- ‘Getting a Job in Hungary’. Tamas Bartus, ICS/University of Groningen. (defended: May 15, 2002).

Project supervision - other projects:

- 2015-2017: ‘Crime and situational influences’ Evelien Hoeben(postdoc, UvA/NSCR).
- ‘2006-2009. Supervision of two postdoc projects (Herman Lelieveld; Karien Dekker; principal researcher: Rene Torenvlied.
- ‘Allochtone jongeren en crimineel gedrag. Een empirische studie”. Project in cooperation with Research Bureau Driessen, financed by the Ministry of Internal Affairs.
- ‘Zeg me wie je vrienden zijn. Netwerken van allochtonen jongeren en crimineel gedrag’. Project in cooperation with the Research Bureau Driessen, financed by the Ministry of Intern Affairs.

Manuscript committee of Phd theses:

- 2019: Mirjam Fischer (UvA), Maarten ter Huurne (UU), Marianne de Beer (UU), Nina Conkova (EUR)
- 2018: Loes van Rijswijk (RUG), Jaqueline Witschge (UvA)
- 2017: Emily Miltenburg (UvA), Annemarie Ruijsbroek (UvA)
- 2016: Beau Oldenburg (RUG), Sander Stijn (UvA), Martijn Jungst (Maastricht)/ Bram Eidhoff (UvA), Giacomo Solano (UvA, Milaan), Levi van den Bogaard (UvA)
- 2015: Els Bosschman (Delft)
- 2014: Jaap Nieuwenhuis (UU), Melissa Navarra (LUW), Michael Savekoul (RU), Esther Havekes (UU)
- 2013: Sandra van Beek (UU), Hanneke Posthumus (UU), Brigitte Bloem (VU)
- 2011: Maurits de Klepper (VU), Karin Peters (LUW), Marieke van Schellen (UU), Carlinde Adriaanse (Delft), Miranda Vervoort (UU), Tim Huijts (RU)
- 2010: Lisa Peters (UVA), Gwen van Eijk (U-Twente), Erik van Ingen (KUB)
- 2009: Hans Berten (Gent), Rense Corten (UU), Tom van der Meer (RU), Pascal Parmentier (UU), Chris R. Folmer (VU)
- 2008: Margreet Frieling (RUG)

b) Organization of conferences, symposia, conference sessions, colloquia, visiting professorships etc. (selection)

- 2019. Organisatie van de ‘Dag van de Sociologie’ UvA.
- 2018. Organization of INSNAXXXVIII Sunbelt Network Conference in Utrecht (together with Vincent Buskens and Eva Jaspers, UU).
- 2016. Scientific Board of European Conference on Social Networks (EUSN).
- 2012. Theme coordination ‘social networks’ on the Dutch/Belgium ‘day of sociology’.
- 2010. Minisymposium on social and physical order in Dutch neighborhoods (October 13). Utrecht.
- 2009. KNAW/van der Gaag symposium on ‘biological, psychological and sociological determinants of prosocial behavior’, (September 3) Trippenhuis, Amsterdam.
- 2009. Networks and Markets. QMSS workshop, August 12-13, organized together with Rafael Wittek/University of Groningen.
- 2008. Prosocial behavior. Perspectives from psychology, sociology and educational sciences. Symposium, July 3 Utrecht.
- 2007. Symposium on Life Chances of Firms and Neighborhoods; May 15, Utrecht.
- 2001- present. Organization of lunch colloquia at the Department of Sociology, Utrecht University.
- 2003. KNAW Akademiecolloquium on Social Capital Research, October 30-31. Trippenhuis, Amsterdam.

- 1996, 1998, 1999, 2000, 2001, 2003. Organization of national and international conference sessions: Networks in Eastern Europe; Local Communities and Social Capital; Meeting and ‘Mating’.
- 1999. International Conference on ‘Creation and Returns of Social Capital in Labour Markets and Education (SCALE)’. Host: University of Amsterdam. December 8-11.
- 1998. Symposium: ‘Buren en Buurten. Onderzoek op het snijvlak van sociale geografie en sociologie.’ Utrecht, June 19.
- 1996. Symposium. ‘Institutional Transformation and Social Capital’. Budapest, December 4-6.

c) Primary Data Collection

- 2019: Intergenerational Networks in the Netherlands (n=1500) Online questionnaire (will take place in April 2019)
- 2017: 4th wave of SSND, The survey of the Social Networks of the Dutch.
- 2017. Inquiring into close relationships. online questionnaire, n=1500. Replication of Mario Small’s study in the Netherlands.
- 2015. Collecting data on large scale field experiments (Broken windows experiments). 83 experiments in 3 neighborhoods.
- 2013/2014. SSND3. Third wave of Panel on the Social Networks of the Dutch (n=+/-1000).
- 2008. Survey of the Social Networks of Entrepreneurs (SSNE) Survey among local entrepreneurs in the SSND neighborhoods (see SSND2; n=384).
- 2007/2008. Panel of the ‘Social Survey of the Networks of the Dutch’. (SSND2a and b; n=604/384). Repetition of the National representative survey of 2000 and refreshment sample.
- 2003. Networks of members of ‘improvising theatre associations’ (theater-sportverenigingen), in cooperation with Miranda Jansen and Vincent Buskens, Utrecht University (n=100 associations and 1500 individuals).
- 2003. ‘Networks of foreign adolescents in the Netherlands’ Data collection in cooperation with Bureau Driessen, Utrecht, financed by the Ministry of Intern Affairs (n=736)
- 2000. ‘Social Survey of the Networks of the Dutch’. (SSND1 and SSND2) National representative panel survey, n=1000 respondents, 160 neighborhoods.
- 1997/1999. ‘Getting a Job in Hungary after the institutional transition’. Panel study among 700 school-leavers in urban areas of Hungary.
- 1992-1994. ‘Personal Networks in the Former GDR’. Panel study (n=500) in Leipzig and Dresden, three moments of measurement.

6 Research Visits and Appointments abroad (selection)

- 2017. Visiting professorship EUI, Florence, Italy.
- 2016. Visiting professorship Harvard University, US.
- 2016 and 2017. Visiting Professorship, University of Lubljana, Slovenia,
- 2015. Visiting Professorship, St Petersburg, Russia.
- 2014. Visiting Professorship, Abo Akademi University Finland, Turku
- 2013. Visiting Professorship, Higher School of Economics, Moscow.
- 2013. Visiting Professorship, St Petersburg, State University.
- 2012. Visiting professorship, University of Maynooth, Ireland.
- 2011. Visiting professorship, University of Linköping, Sweden.
- 2009. Visiting professorship, National Cheng Chi University; Taipei, Taiwan.
- 2006. Visiting professorship, Summerschool lecture University of Trento; Italy.
- 1996 – 1997. Interim full professorship/University of Aachen (RWTH)/Germany, Dept. of Sociology, chair: ‘Empirical Research in the Social Sciences’ (18 months).
- 1996: CNRS, LASMAS, expert meeting on social capital, Paris, France, 2 – 7 December.

- 1992, 1993, 1994. Several research visits at the Universities of Leipzig and Dresden, Germany (all together about 10 months).
- 1992: Research fellow at the Department of Sociology, Columbia University, New York, USA (3 months).
- 1989-1990. Erasmus Grant for studying psychology abroad (in the Netherlands, University of Leiden).

7 (Board) Memberships and Services to the Profession

Activities in advisory boards and research management/evaluation

- 2019 Advisor scientific board municipality of Enschede: promoting social cohesion
- 2018 Member of Research Visit Board ‘Stenden Hogeschool’ Research Social Works and Arts Therapies’
- 2017- 2019. KNAW Fonds staatsman Thorbecke committee.
2016. Freeman Award Committee, INSNA Sunbelt Conference.
Member of Review Panel Formas (Swedish Research Council) “The challenges and opportunities of urbanization”.
- 2015 - . Advisor for secondary school exam in social sciences (**CITO**)
- 2010 - 2017. Member of board of **MaGW-NWO**, scientific board of social sciences
- 2010 - 2013. **External examiner/member evaluation board** for the curriculum of the bachelor and master’s program of sociology at the University of Maynooth/Ireland
- 2009 - 2011. Member of the board of the **ICS Research School**
- 2010 - 2011. Chair of advisory committee of **WODC** research on terrorist networks
2007. Invited expert-reviewer of the German National Science Foundation (**DFG**) on four proposals on the German excellence initiative.
- 2006-2007. Chair of research advisory committee of the **WODC** (research department of the ministry of justice) in a research on interethnic contacts among adolescents

Other activities in research advisory committees (selection)

Next to regularly memberships in research selection committees in Germany (excellence initiative), Belgium and The Netherlands, I selected several interesting and – in my view – important committees and activities, both related to society and science in which I participate(d).

- 2017/2018 Member of panel for selection of talent grants (NWO)
- 2016/2017 Member of jury Jan Brouwer thesis award (Royal Holland Society)
- 2015 Keynote ‘Social Cohesion in Dutch Neighborhoods’ Oranje Fonds’ (Denkerdag)
- 2014-2017 Member of Think Tank: Reorganization of the Police (Min. Jus)
- 2010-2014 Member of advisory committee of SCP research on vitality of urban areas
- 2009 Member jury ‘KNAW onderwijsprijs’
Member of expert group ‘sociale cohesie’ Ministerie van Justitie; Den Haag
Member of NWO selection committee for VIDI-grants
Member advisory committee of CBS research on sustainability (in relation to social capital)
Member of supervision committee of SCP project on consequences of neighborhood diversity
Member of expert group on social capital and sustainability; organization: Statistics Netherlands
- 2008-present Member of supervision committee of Ministry of Justice on Application of Social Network data collection in forensic hospitals
- 2009-2010 Member of advisory committee of SCP research ‘social capital in urban and rural areas’
Member of expert group RMO; (gezin- en jeugdstudies)
Member of NWO selection committee for VIDI-grants

- 2007 Member advisory committee for the Ministry of Justice, regarding implementation of network analyses in TBS hospitals.
- 2006 Member of steering committee of the European Science Foundation (ESF) ‘Quantitative Methods in the Social Sciences (QMSS)’
Member of steering committee of the Faculty of Social Sciences on issues concerning international teaching
Member of NWO-ESF selection committee
- 2005-2007 Member of the NWO-MaGW referee committee, (open competition)

Membership in professional organizations, Research Schools, and Networks

- AISSR, Amsterdam Institute for Social Science Research (UvA)
- AMCIS, Amsterdam Centre for Inequality Studies (UvA)
- ASA, American Sociological Association,
- CUS, Centre for Urban Studies (UvA)
- DUODECIM: Utrechts’ Hoogleraren Vereniging
- Dresscode030: ‘Societeit voor ondernemende vrouwen Utrecht’
- EAS, European Academy of Sociology
- ICS, Interuniversity Center for Social Science Theory and Methodology
- INSNA, International Network of Social Network Analysis,
- KHMW, Royal Holland Society of Sciences and Humanities
- KNAW, Young Academy (DJA) (status: alumna)
- NSV, Nederlandse Sociologen Vereniging.

Editorial activities:

- 2011- present: Member editorial board of ‘*Social Networks*’
- 2005-2010: Editorial board of ‘*Tijdschrift voor Sociologie*’ (Belgium)
- 2005-2009: Editorial board of ‘*International Sociology*’ (UK)

Reviewer:

- American Sociological Review. American Journal of Sociology. Social Forces. British Journal of Sociology. Criminology. European Journal of Public Health. European Sociological Review. Health & Place. Journal of Behavioral Medicine. Journal of Economic and Social Geography. Journal of Happiness. Journal of Marriage and the Family. Journal of Personal and Social Relationships. Journal of the Public Management Research Association. Mens en Maatschappij. Netherlands Journal of Social Sciences. Regional Studies. Social Networks. Social Science & Medicine. Social Science Research. Sociology of Work and Employment. Tijdschrift voor Criminologie. Tijdschrift voor Veiligheid en Veiligheidszorg. Urban Affairs Review. Urban Studies. Journal of Transportation. Journal of Crime and Behavior. Housing Studies. Social Psychological Quarterly.

8 Teaching and Coordination of Teaching

From May 2016 - October 2018: *director bachelor’s program* ‘Interdisciplinary Social Sciences’, UvA. In this position, I developed a new curriculum for this bachelor’s course, with the goal to strengthen the focus on research and applications of research in the teaching program. Further, I prepared the new NVAO accreditation, which was successfully held in February 2018.

Bachelor Courses (UU/UvA)

Problems and theories of sociology (BA1)

Inequality and Health (BA2)

Perspectives on Inequality (BA2)

Talent course: Social Networks and Network Analysis (BA3)

Social networks in theory and empirical research (BA3)
Coordination: International exchange program with Cologne and Mannheim for bachelor students (BA2/3)
Coordination of approved minor ‘social sciences’ for students of economics

Master Courses

(UU) Networks in and between organizations Neighborhoods, problems and solutions
(UvA) Organizations and Labor Market
(UvA) Supervision of master’s theses and Traineeships

Research master ‘Sociology and Social Research’

(UU/UvA)

Social Networks and Social Capital

Research practical: Application of social theory: social network analysis (2006-20017)

Supervision of literature review and master thesis projects

Coordination of research training and practical

From 2009-2015 I was *director of the master’s program* Sociology and Social Research (SaSR). The program was visited in 2015 by the NVAO and was evaluated ‘as the best of its kind’.

Other activities related to teaching and coordination of teaching as well as research:

- 2015- present. Member of Program Committee AISSR
- 2015- present. Member Educational Board PhD program AISSR
- 2015- 2016. Chair Exam Committee of Interdisciplinary Social Sciences UvA.
- 2014. Self-evaluation report of ‘Sociology and Social Research’ (SasR, evaluation: very good/excellent)
- 2009 - 2015. Member of jury ‘Swanborn prijs’ for best bachelor/master thesis in the social sciences Utrecht University.
- 2007- 2015: Member of *Board of Studies* (BoS), Graduate School Social Sciences Utrecht.
- 2006 – 2015: Coordinator of ‘approved minor in the social sciences’ for students of economics.
- 2003 - 2008. Chair of *education committee* Graduate School Social Sciences Utrecht.

9 Media Presence (selection)

- 2019: Video clip: Rembrandt’s Network, Exposition in the Rembrandthuis, Amsterdam, February - June 2019
- 2018: OEROL college ‘Identity in modern times’ Waddenakademie / Interviews in Volkskrant, Radio 1, Radio 4, Psychologie Magazine
- 2017: interviews in Parool, AD, NRC, VIVA
- 2016: guest speaker ‘Café de Zwijger, evening on friendship; guest speaker Studium Generale Utrecht University
- 2015: Interviews: editie NL; De Volkskrant, Het Parool.
- 2014: Presentation: Festival der Beschaving. Utrecht. Interview: Hoe? Zo? (Friendship networks) Interview: Science Café UU (Friendships)
- 2013 (June): Interview Radio 1 Belgium, about neighborhood relationships
- 2012 (May): Interview Radio 1, about neighborhood relationships Radio 1, interview about friendship
- 2011 (June 25, 7-8 pm): Radio interview (Radio 1, Pavlov) on ‘friendships’ Interview: UU alumni and lustrum site, 375 Utrechtse portretten
- 2007: interview on television (KRO), program ‘Do I have enough?’ on the number of friends of the Dutch.
- 2007: Report on my research in ‘De Verwondering. Wetenschap in Nederland; Publieksjaarboek van NWO’.
- 1995 - present. Interviews in different local and national newspapers.

10 Publications

- **Inaugural speech:** ‘In ieder’s belang. Sociologische determinanten voor de productie van collectieve goederen’ Utrecht, July 3, 2008.
- **Dissertation:** “‘Should auld Acquaintance be forgot...?’ Institutions of Communism, the Transition to Capitalism and Personal Networks: the Case of East Germany” (332p) Rozenberg Publishers/Thela Thesis, Amsterdam.

Books

Volker, B. (ed 2020) *A modern guide to network society*. Edward Elgar (Series ‘Modern Guides’ proposal accepted, details are currently in negotiation)

Volker, B., Mollenhorst, G. and Flap, H. (2013) *Sociale netwerken. Vragen, theorieën, onderzoek*. Noordhoff Uitgevers.

Volker, B. (red. 2012) *Van bruggen, gaten en witte paters. Sociaal kapitaal in sociologisch onderzoek*. Liber Amicorum voor Henk Flap. Rozenberg Publishers.

Volker, B. (ed.) (2005) *Burgers in de buurt. Samenleven in wijk, buurt en verenigingen*. Boekuitgave Mens en Maatschappij, Amsterdam: University Press.

Flap, H. & B. Volker (eds) 2004 *Creation and Returns of Social Capital. Theory, Research and Measurement*. Routledge. London, UK.

Driessen, F.M.H.M. ; Volker, B.G.M.; Op den Kamp, H. M.; Roest, A.M.C.; Molenaar, R. J.M. (2003) *Zeg mij wie je vrienden zijn. Allochtone Jongeren en Criminaliteit*. Zeist: Kerckebosch.

Volker, B. & R. Verhoeff (eds. 1999). *Buren en buurten. Onderzoek op het snijvlak van sociologie en geografie*. SISWO: Amsterdam, The Netherlands.

Under review in international journals

- Volker, B. & R. Smeets: Mirrors or alternative worlds? The networks of Dutch inhabitants compared to networks of literary characters in Dutch novels. R&R: *Poetics*.
- Mollenhorst, G.; B. Volker, R. De Cuyper, A Dirkzwager, P. Nieuwbeerta: Segregated worlds? The level of overlap between offenders criminal and core-discussion network. R&R *Criminal Justice and Behavior*.
- Corten, R.; B. Volker and G. Mollenhorst: Neighborhood cohesion and generalized exchange in the sharing economy: the case of peer-to-peer lending. Under review at *Journal of Consumer Research*.
- Igllic, H., J. Rözer and B. Volker: Social capital and the economic crisis (under review Political Science)

International peer reviewed articles and chapters (in English, published or accepted for publication)

Volker, B. (2019) Dynamics in diversity. The position generator instrument as a measure of change in ego-centered networks and populations. (forthcoming in: *Network Science*)

- Tulin, M, B. Volker, and d B. Lancee (2019) The same place but different: How neighborhood context differentially affects homogeneity in networks of different social groups. *Journal of Urban Affairs* (forthcoming)
- Volker B. (2019) Trust is fine, control is better? On the association and consequences of informal control and cohesion in Dutch neighborhoods. Chapter in V. Buskens, C. Snijders, R. Corten (eds) 2019: *Liber Amicorum Werner Raub*. Routledge.
- Tulin, M., B. Lancee and B Volker (2019) Personality and Social Capital. Forthcoming in: *Social Psychological Quarterly*.
- Rözer, J., G. Mollenhorst, and B. Volker (2018) Families' Division of Labor and Social Networks in the 21st Century: Revisiting Elizabeth's Botts' Classic Hypotheses. *Journal of Family Issues* 39(13) 3436-3462.
- Haar-Pomp,L. M. Spreen, B. Volker & S. Bogaerts (2018) The impact of forced forensic psychiatric confinement on composition and structure in the personal networks of disordered forensic psychiatric patients. *Journal of Forensic Psuchiarty and Psychology*, 1-23.
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'Soziale Netzwerke und Massenmedien. Untersuchung zum Einfluß der persönlichen Kommunikation' - Michael Schenk *Publizistik*. Vierteljahreshefte für Kommunikationsforschung. 1997, 42:116-117.

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Invited lectures and seminars (selection)

2018 Great Thinkers: Diego Gambetta. AISSR talk.

2017

- Revisiting broken windows. Lecture at EUI, Florence.
- Social capital, communities and beyond. Lecture at the Department of Sociology, University of Lubljana, Slovenia.

2016

- Ego-networks in the area of big data and computational sciences. Invited lecture at conference organized by M. Small, Harvard University, November 3-4.
- Order in Context, March 31, Utrecht (symposium for the honary doctorate of Robert Sampson)

2015

- Summerschool lecture St Petersburg: Neighborhoods and Networks

2014

- Vriendschap in (v)luchtige tijden? Bijdrage Festival der Beschaving. Utrecht.

2013

- Workshop on social disorder, NSCR (closed event), Amsterdam, October, 24-25.
- Member of Round table discussion on networks of disadvantaged; Free University, Amsterdam, October 11.
- 14 Years of network change. Not persons but functions count. Lecture on Sociology Collquium Series Nuffield College. November, Oxford.
- Making money through networks? Lecture on the Symposium of Making Money in Science, Amsterdam, Westergasfabriek. AMC Research team; April 17. Amsterdam.

- De grilligheid van locale relaties. Lezing Studium Generale, March 12, Utrecht. 2011
- ‘STARTREK’ and what it tells us about Sociology. Lezing op het symposium ter ere van Gerard ‘t Hoofd 16-11 Geertekerk, Utrecht
- Seminar (Theory and application of social capital), University of Linköping, Sweden, September 28-29.
- Lecture (‘Putnam en de verloren brieven’) Plenary conference, Sociaal Wetenschappelijke Raad, Leusden, May 20/21.
- Invited speaker at Humboldt University, Germany, May 30. Colloquium on neighborhood social order.
- Lecture at the Department of Sociology, Gent University, May 18.
- Lecture at Symposium on neighborhood studies, Max Planck Institute Goettingen, Germany, April 26.

2009

- Summerschool lecture on ‘theory and application of social capital’, Taipei, Taiwan, Cheng Chi University, August 10-14.
- ‘Neighborhoods as places to dwell and to work’ invited lecture University of Bielefeld, June 22.
- Co-referaat NSV dag van de sociologie, commentaar op NSV-lezing Jan Willen Duyvendak; Amsterdam, June 11.
- ‘Neighborhoods and neighbors in the Netherlands’ invited lecture University of Cologne, March 27.

2008

- ‘On turtles and human beings. Neighborhood composition, social capital, and collective action’. Keynote speech on the International conference on Social Capital, volunteering and aging; Hongkong City University; Hongkong, December 15-19.
- ‘Neighborhoods, communities, and collective goods and bads’ Lecture at Nuffield College, Oxford, UK; December 1.
- ‘Buurten, gemeenschappen, collectieve goederen en – kwaden. NSV Actualiteitencollege, Den Haag. November 11.
- ‘Buurten, breuklijnen en interventies’ Lezing op de Studiedag Sociale Netwerken; WODC; Scheveningen, Oktober, 29.
- ‘Vertrouwen op waarde geschat’ SER/Verwey Jonker Lezing; Den Haag, September 3.
- Using a choice-constraint approach to study similarity in intimate relationships. Paper presented at Seminar on Inequality, religion and social organization. Nuffield College, Oxford, October 22.

2007

- ‘Research on social networks and social capital’ Lecture at the Social and Cultural Planning Office (SCP) January 24.
- Foes at work. Conditions for the evolution of negative relationships in work organizations. Presentation at the National German Sociology Conference, Kassel, October 9-13.

2005

- Community at work. Community and Solidarity in Dutch Organizations’ Symposium on Networks and Social Capital, Bielefeld, November 10-11.

- ‘Social Capital and Community’. Keynote at session of measurement of social capital, EASR conference Barcelona, 18-22 July.
 - ‘Where friends are met. The association between meeting places and resulting relationship’ Lecture at Nuffield College, Oxford, United Kingdom, April 27.
 - ‘Solidarity at the workplace’ Lecture at the University of Duisburg-Essen, April 20.
 - ‘When are neighborhoods communities? Community in Dutch Neighborhoods’ Lecture at the Symposium on ‘Life in Urban Environments’ University of Ireland, Maynooth, April 8.
- 2004
- ‘Sociale netwerken, gemeenschap en informele controle in buurten’. Presentation at the workshop ‘Burten en opsporing’ Leiden, NSCR, May 27.
 - ‘Contexten, contacten en consequenties.’ Presentation at the conference ‘Toekomst van de Sociologie’ organized by Royal Dutch Academy (KNAW Verkenningcommissie ‘Sociologie’), Amsterdam, April 18.
- 2002
- ‘Sociale netwerken en delinquent gedrag’. Lecture at the ‘debate on crime and groups’, SISWO, Amsterdam, September 20.
 - ‘Sociaal Kapitaal – Theorie en voorbeelden van onderzoek’. Onderzoeksdag Maatschappelijke Integratie van TBS-Patiënten. Dr. S. van Mesdagkliniek, Groningen, September 12.
- 1998
- ‘Networks as ties that bind’ - an introduction to social networks. Workshop at the National Sociological Study Day, Utrecht, May 11.
 - ‘Coping with stress at work through personal networks. Workshop at the ‘National Training for Police Officers’. Kerkebosch, March 20.
 - ‘Local environment and its consequences for social behavior’. Lecture at the Royal Dutch Profession for Engineers. The Hague, February 20.
- 1997
- ‘Social networks in East Germany’. Workshop at the ‘National Sociological Study Day’, Groningen, April 15.
- 1995
- ‘East Germans - immigrants to their own country?’ Presentation at the Foundation for Dutch- German-Dialogue. Zandvoort, November 10.
- 1994
- ‘Changes in personal networks in the former GDR as a consequence of the institutional turn?’ Colloquium University of Cologne, Institute of Ethnology, January 8.
- 1993
- ‘Structures and functions of social relationships in the former GDR before the institutional turn.’ Colloquium, Institute of Sociology, University of Leipzig, Germany, July 5.
- 1992
- ‘Personal networks in a communist society.’ Colloquium LASMAS, CNRS, Paris; December 6.
 - ‘Fieldwork in a society in transition. Report of the fieldwork in 1992’. Colloquium, Center for the Social Sciences, Columbia University, New York; November 8.

Presentations at conferences (selection)

My work is regularly presented at the Sunbelt Social Network Conference, at the European Conference of Sociology and at the Dutch National Day of Sociology. Find a selection of presentations at other occasions hereafter:

- Panel discussant: the future of ego-centered network data. Sunbelt Conference Utrecht, June 2018.
- Social Networks in the area of big data. Presentation at Harvard University, Mini symposium on Ego centered networks. November 3, 2016
- East Germany – still different? Friendship patterns in societies in transition. Lecture at High School of Economics, *Moskow*, September 11, 2013.
- Reproduction of Inequality in the Netherlands through the Creation of and Returns to Social Capital? Paper presented at the International Social Capital Conference *Academica Sinica, Taipei, Taiwan*, May 29-30, 2008.
- Meeting opportunities and transitive triads in core discussion networks. Paper presented at Fourth UK Social Network Conference. University of Greenwich, *London*, July 18-20, 2008.
- Foes at work. On the evolution of negative relationships. Paper presented at International Sunbelt Social Network Conference XXVII. Corfu Island, Greece, May 1-6; 2007.
- Who is alone? Presentation at the national ‘Sociologendag’ Tilburg, June. 8. 2006.
- Settings for friendships. The effect of social contexts for friendship relations. Presentation at the SUNBELT XXIV Social Network Conference, Portoros, Slovenia, May 12-16, 2004.
- Occupational Community and Solidarity at Work. LILNET Micro-Macro Conference, Lille, May 30-31, 2002.
- Informal relations among colleagues. XXI International Sunbelt Network Conference, Budapest, Hungary, April 19-22, 2001.
- Persoonlijke netwerken en het doen van werk. Een casestudie in twee afdelingen. Sociaal-wetenschappelijke Studiedagen. Amsterdam, May 2-3, 2000.
- The consequences of social capital for doing your job. Social capital and performance at work. Presentation at the International Conference on Creation and Returns of Social Capital. Amsterdam, December 8-12, 1999.
- Contacts to colleagues and performance at work. Paper presented at the National Conference of the Social Sciences, Amsterdam, May 21-22, 1999
- Neighbourhood contacts in the Netherlands: for what and how often? Presentation at the National Conference of the Social Sciences, Amsterdam, May 18, 1999.
- Local determinants of social contacts. Presentation at the workshop on cooperation between social geography and sociology, Utrecht, June 19, 1998.
- Perverse effects of weak ties in the former GDR. Presentation at the conference “Management of Matches”, Woudenberg, June 17-22, 1997.
- Social capital in times of upheaval. Presentation at the conference on “Transformation Processes in Eastern Europe.” NWO, Amsterdam, March, 9-10, 1997.
- Human and social capital and the institutional transformation. Workshop at the University of Economic Sciences, Budapest, December 6-8, 1996.
- Getting ahead in the former GDR: Human and social capital in the status attainment process under communism. Presentation at the Workshop “Eastern Europe”, NWO, Den Haag, February 1996.

- The comrade's belief - some implications and consequences. Relationships among neighbors in the former GDR. Workshop 'Eastern Europe', Utrecht, December 1994.
- Social network changing caused by macro social transformation? XIII World Congress of Sociology, Bielefeld, Germany, July 1994.
- Societal transformation and neighborhood relations. Increasing segregation or openness? XIII World Congress of Sociology, Bielefeld, 18-23 July 1994.
- Effects of institutional transformation in East Germany on personal networks. East Germany 4 years later. Presentation at the National Social Science Conference, SISWO, Amsterdam, April 1994.
- Friendship networks in a post-communist society: social networks in East Germany. Presentation at the Sunbelt XIV Social Network Conference, New Orleans, Louisiana, USA, February 3-7, 1994.
- Friends and comrades behind the Wall. Personal networks in the former GDR. Presentation at the Sunbelt XIII Social Network Conference, Tampa, Florida, USA, February 1993.
- Criss-Cross through classes. Friends and foes in a socialist society. Presentation at the European Conference on Social Networks and Network Analysis, Munich, Germany, July 1993.