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Personal information

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Nationality Dutch (NL)

Date of birth 30.4.1960

Gender Male

Work experience

Dates	2019 - present	Contract professor EU Food Law, UPO University of Eastern Piedmont, Italy
	2018 – 2021	Professor of Comparative Food Law, Renmin School of Law Beijing through the Program of Top-level Foreign Experts of the State Administration of Foreign Experts Affairs of the Peoples Republic of China (0.1 fte)
	2004 – present	Director European Institute for Food Law (0.2 fte)
	2018 – present	Food Legal Consultant
	2016 – 2018	Professor of Food Law, Wageningen University (0.8 fte)
	2001 – 2015	Chair of Law and Governance, Wageningen University
	1999 – 2001	Associate Professor Administrative Law, Utrecht University (0.4 fte)
	1998 – 2002	Litigation officer Netherlands Competition Authority (NMa – now ACM) (0.6 fte)
	1996 – 1999	Associate Professor Constitutional Law, Tilburg University (0.4 fte)
	1993 – 1998	Attorney at Law Pels Rijcken & Droogleever Fortuijn, The Hague
	1990 – 1993	Assistant Professor Public Law, Maastricht University
	1987 – 1990	Assistant Professor Constitutional Law, VU University, Amsterdam
Main activities and responsibilities	Food legal consulting / Full Professor: research and teaching	
Name and address of employer	European Institute for Food Law, Amsterdam / Wageningen University, Wageningen, The Netherlands	
Type of business or sector	Knowledge institute / University	

Education and training

Dates	1980 – 1984: Bachelor/Masters of Law
	1984 – 1986: Masters of Governance
	1993: PhD Law
Title of qualification awarded	1984 mr of law (LL.M)
	1986 drs of governance sciences (MA)
	1993 dr. of law (PhD)

Name and type of organisation
providing education and training

VU University Amsterdam, the Netherlands

Personal skills and competences

Mother tongue(s)

Dutch

Other language(s)

Self-assessment

European level ()*

English

German

French

Understanding				Speaking				Writing	
Listening		Reading		Spoken interaction		Spoken production			
C2	Proficient user	C2	Proficient user	C2	Proficient user	C2	Proficient user	C2	Proficient user
C2	Proficient user	C2	Proficient user	C2	Proficient user	C2	Proficient user	C1	Independent user
A2	Independent user	A2	Independent user	A2	Independent user	A2	Independent user	A2	Independent user

(*) *Common European Framework of Reference for Languages*

Social skills and competences

Proven social skills acquired through teaching and research, and extensive memberships of boards

Organisational skills and
competences

- Leadership skills acquired as 1) director European Institute for Food Law, 2) head of the Law and Governance Group of Wageningen University, and 3) President & co-founder of the Dutch Food Law Association (NVLAR)
- Acquisition, organisation and implementation of consultancy and research projects
- Supervisor of PhD-researchers and students
- Organisation, quality assessment, mediation and conflict resolution: chair of the exams committee of the Department of Social Sciences at Wageningen University (2002-2012)

PhD Supervision

- Anna Gerbrandy, Convergence in competition law (2010)(cum laude – top 2%)(Utrecht University; co-supervised with Kamiel Mortelmans and Johan van de Gronden)
- Anna Sajkowska, Regulating Food Law: Risk analysis and the precautionary principle as general principles of EU Food Law (2012)(Wageningen University - WU)
- Bart Wernaart, Enforceability of the human right to food, Netherlands and Belgium (2014)(WU)
- Carolina Toschi Maciel, Public morals in private hands? A study into the evolving path of farm animal welfare governance (2015)(WU; co-supervised with Arthur Mol and Bettina Bock)
- Wieke Huizing Edinger, Food Health Law (2016)(University of Copenhagen; co-supervised with Helle Tegner Anker)
- Mohammed Hassena Beko, Seed for change. The making and implementation of seed policies in Ethiopia (2017)(WU, co-supervised with Bram de Jonge, Otto Hospes and Niels Louwaars)
- Lomme van der Veer, Food Online. Food legal and civil law requirements for digital contracts regarding food purchases by consumers in the Netherlands (2017)(WU)
- Peter Gitahi Munyi, Towards a Flexible Plant Breeders' Rights System in Kenya (2017)(WU, co-supervised with Bram de Jong, Bert Visser and Niels Louwaars)

Projects

International project

- FAO, The Regulation of Food Application of Nanotechnology (2010)

EU evaluations

- Food irradiation legislation (2018-2019)
- Producer Organisations and their activities in the olive oil, beef and veal, arable crops sectors (2018)
- The impact of private labels on the competitiveness of the European food supply chain (2011)
- Study for an impact assessment for the possible EU legal instrument in the area of European Contract Law (2010)
- Assessment of the Impacts of Non-Tariff Measures on the Competitiveness of the EU and Selected Trade Partners (FP7 2010)
- Food legislation and competitiveness in the EU food industry. Case studies in the dairy industry (2009)
- Competitiveness of the European Food Industry. An economic and legal assessment (2007)

NL evaluations & legislative advice	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - (Administrative appeals procedures) Hoger beroep in het bestuursrecht (2015) - (Competition law, and sustainability) Mededinging en transparantie: randvoorwaarden voor concurrentie en duurzaamheid (2011) - (Administrative review procedures) Prorogatie in de Awb. Invoeringsevaluatie rechtstreeks beroep (2006) - (Freedom of Information) Algemene wet overheidsinformatie (2006) - (Act on animal experiments) Noodzakelijk kwaad: Evaluatie van de Wet op dierproeven (2005) - (Commercial activities by public authorities) Rechtsbescherming bij markttoetreding door overheidsonderdelen (2004) - (Environmental emergencies) Hoofdstuk 17 Wet milieubeheer betreffende maatregelen in bijzondere omstandigheden (2003)
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Additional information **Relevant scientific positions:**

Membership editorial board of scientific journals:

- European Food & Feed Law Review
- LSN Food Law & Policy eJournal (advisory board)
- Sdu Commentaar Wet Openbaarheid van Bestuur (Freedom of Information) (chief editor)
- Markt & Mededinging (leading Dutch Journal on competition law)
- Jurisprudentie bestuursrecht (case law administrative law)
- Waar&Wet (food and product safety law)

Membership editorial board of scientific book series:

- European Institute for Food Law series
- Versita. Open Access Books in Administrative Law (until 2014)

Membership Academies of Sciences and other national of international scientific organisations:

- Member Dutch Administrative Law Association (VAR)
- Representative of the Netherlands to the Union Mondial des Agraristes Universitaires (UMAU)(2002-2012)
- Member of Comité Européen de Droit Rural (CEDR) (2001-2015)
- Member of Wissenschaftliche Gesellschaft für Lebensmittelrecht (WGL)
- Member Netherlands' Institute for Law and Governance (NILG)

Board membership national and international:

- Director European Institute for Food Law
- President & co-founder Dutch Food Law Association (NVLR)
- Member of the board of directors of the European Food Law Association (EFLA)(until 2018)
- Member at Large of the Board of the Global Harmonization initiative (GHI)
- Board member Dutch Agrarian Law Association (VAR) (2001 – 2013)

**Additional information
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Position(s) in research/graduate school:

- Fellow in Wageningen School of Social Sciences (WASS)
- Chair of SRA(strategic research area)-2 chains (until 2004-2011)

Honours and awards:

- Honorary member of Asociación Iberoamericana para el Derecho Alimentario (AIBADA) (2013)
- VAR-Michiels award (Netherlands' Association of Administrative Law) (2011)
- Bronze medal of Unione Mondiale Degli Agraristi Universitari (2002)

Position(s) in education at Wageningen University:

- Chair of the exams committee of the Department of Social Sciences (2002-2012)
- Chair programme committee Food Quality Management (MFQ) (2003–2011)
- Member programme committee Food Safety (MFS) (2004–2011)
- Member programme committee MFQ-MFS (2011-2017))
- Chair programme committee MFQ-MFS (2015-2017)
- Ad hoc cum laude review committee (2013)

Relevant social positions:

Membership national and international supervisory boards or advisory committees:

- Member of the supervisory board of the Netherlands' Agrarian Law Institute (Instituut voor Agrarisch Recht)(2003-2017)
- NEN policy committee AgroFood (Netherlands' standardisation organisation)
- Curatorium chair facility management Wageningen University (2004 - 2012)
- Curatorium Cerutti chair agricultural law Radboud University (Nijmegen) (2003 - 2012)
- Wageningen University, Social Sciences Ethics Committee

Legal practice

- Consultant Food Legal
- Arbiter (Dispute settlement body SKV Stichting Kwaliteitsgarantie Vleeskalversector – Veal Quality Foundation)
- Arbiter (Instituut voor Agrarisch Recht – Netherlands' Agrarian Law Institute)
- Substitute complaints officer NMa/ACM (Netherlands' Competition Authority)(2005 – 2016)
- Member of the Committee for notices of objection of Board for the Authorisation of Plant Protection Products and Biocides (Ctgb)
- Advisor Consumenten Autoriteit (Netherlands Consumer Authority; now ACM)(2008 – 2013)

Volunteer

- Food Bank Amsterdam / Distribution Centre Noord Holland

Annex

List of publications