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**Current position**

September 2008 onwards Professor in Practical Philosophy, Faculty of Philosophy, Erasmus University Rotterdam.  
VIDI-research project on ‘Social Justice and the New Welfare State’ (2006-2011), funded by the Dutch Research Council (NWO).

**Previous positions**

Oct. 2006-Aug. 2008 Senior Researcher in political theory, Radboud University Nijmegen, Department of Political Science (with tenure).

Oct. 2006-Sept. 2007 Visiting professor for the Chaire Jacques Leclercq, Université Catholique de Louvain-la-Neuve, Department of anthropology and sociology, Belgium.

Oct. 2002-Sept. 2006 Post-doctoral research fellow, University of Amsterdam, Department of political science.  
Research project on “the capability approach to distributive justice in liberal-democratic welfare states”, funded by the Dutch Research Council (NWO).

May-June 2005 Visiting scholar, Department of Government, London School of Economics and Political Science, England.

January-July 2004 Visiting scholar, Department of Philosophy, Columbia University, New York, USA.

1999-2002 Supervisor and ‘free-lance’ lecturer on Women in Society, Department of Social and Political Science, Cambridge University, England.

1995-1998      Research and teaching assistant in public economics, Katholieke  
Universiteit Leuven, Belgium

### **Training and degrees**

PhD awarded by the Faculty of Economics and Politics, Cambridge University, UK  
(congregation date: May 2003).

Dissertation: *Gender Inequality. A Capability Perspective.*

Advisor: Prof. Amartya Sen

Examiners: Prof. Anne Phillips (LSE) and Prof. Jane Humphries (All Souls' College, Oxford)

Master of Arts in (analytical) Philosophy, British Open University, 2007 (*Distinction*).

Master of Science in Economics, Katholieke Universiteit Leuven, Belgium, 1997 (*Magna Cum Laude*).

Associate student in social and political science (gender studies), Georg August Universität,  
Göttingen, Germany (1994-1995).

Licentiate in Economics, Katholieke Universiteit Leuven, Belgium, 1994 (*Magna cum Laude*)

In addition to formal training, I have attended several graduate courses, Master's classes, and  
summer schools in economic and political philosophy, applied ethics, gender studies and  
research methods since 1993.

### **Languages**

Dutch (mother tongue)

Fluent in English, almost fluent in French and German.

Basic Spanish.

### **Teaching Experience**

This academic year I am teaching some undergraduate classes in political philosophy/ethics, and  
a Research Master Course on Justice and Egalitarianism.

In November 2008, I thought a one-day Masterclass on the capability approach, at the University  
of the Western Cape, Capetown, South Africa.

PhD course on the work of John Rawls, organised under the auspices of the Dutch Research  
School of Practical Philosophy, October 2007 - June 2008 (with Roland Pierik).

Course on 'Gender, Capabilities and Human Development', Chaire Jacques Leclercq, Université  
Catholique de Louvain-la-Neuve, Department of anthropology and sociology, Belgium.

More than a dozen invited lectures and lectures covering for colleagues, at the undergraduates  
and graduate level, at the Katholieke Universiteit Leuven, Cambridge University, Humboldt  
Universität Berlin, Radboud University Nijmegen and University of Amsterdam.

Training session on the capability approach, preceding the 3<sup>rd</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> International Conference on the capability approach, University of Pavia, Italy, 7 September 2003, and University of Groningen, Netherlands, September 2006.

The Political Economy of Gender, Cambridge University, Michaelmas Term 2002.

Gender Inequalities, Cambridge University, Easter Term 2001.

Supervisions Women in Society, Cambridge University, 1999-2002.

Tutorials Micro-economics, Katholieke Universiteit Leuven, Belgium, 1995-1998.

### **PhD Supervision**

*Promotor* of Irene Pronk and Patrick Delaere, doctoral candidates at the Faculty of Philosophy, Erasmus University Rotterdam, the Netherlands.

Second supervisor of Ina Conradie, University of the Western Cape, South Africa.

Member of the ‘Commissie d’accompagnement’ of Julieta Elgarte, Chaire Hoover, Université Catholique de Louvain-la-Neuve, Belgium.

Senior discussant of PhD students at the Fondazione Feltrinelli Colloquium on “A multi-voiced dialogue on global society”, Cortona, Italy, 20-21 Augustus 2005.

### **Research Grants and Consultancy**

Open Competition project for a postdoctoral fellow funded by the Dutch Research Council (NWO) on “The transition from ideal to nonideal theories of justice”, which will start sometime in 2009 and run for three years.

VIDI-project funded by the Dutch Research Council (NWO) on “Social justice and the new welfare state”, (October 2006- September 2011).

Commissioned research by the Netherlands Environmental Assessment Agency on conceptualizing the quality of life in the Netherlands (2005-6), with Robert van der Veen.

Research project funded by the Dutch Research Council on “the capability approach to distributive justice in liberal-democratic welfare states”, (October 2002- September 2006), with Robert van der Veen.

External consultant for a project, funded by the Belgian King Baudouin Foundation, analyzing the differences and similarities in the conceptualizations of well-being, the economy, and employment held by low-skilled employees and their employers (Belgium, 2003-2004).

Cambridge Political Economy Society Trust Scholarship (1999-2002).

Isaac Newton Fellowship, Cambridge University (1999).

APSA travel grants (1999, 2004).

Cambridge European Trust Fellowship (1998, 1999).

Rotary Foundation Scholarship (1998).

## **Professional Service**

### ***Referee work:***

More than 100 papers reviewed for: Basic Income Studies; The Cambridge Journal of Economics; Constellations; Economics and Philosophy; Current Sociology; Ethical Theory and Moral Practice; European Journal of Women's Studies; Feminist Economics; Filosofie en Praktijk; Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization; Journal of European Social Policy; Journal of Human Development; Journal of Political Philosophy; Journal of Public Economics; Journal of Social Philosophy; Journal of Socio-Economics; New Political Economy; Philosophical Explorations; Philosophy of Education; Philosophy, Politics and Economics; Review of Income and Wealth; Review of Political Economy; Review of Social Economy; Social Sciences and Medicines; and Social Indicators Research.

Book proposals and manuscripts reviewed for: Cambridge University Press, Kluwer-Springer, Palgrave-McMillan, Penn State University Press, Routledge, World Bank Conference Proceedings.

### ***Editorial work:***

Associate editor, *Basic Income Studies* (2005-).

Associate editor, *Feminist Economics* (2009-)

Co-editor, *Filosofie en Praktijk* (2005-).

Member of the editorial board, *Feminist Economics* (2006-2008).

Member of the editorial board, *Journal of Human Development* (2006-).

Member of the editorial board, *Economics and Philosophy*, (2007-).

Co-guest editor (with Adam Swift) of a special issue of *Social Theory and Practice*, April 2008.

Co-guest-editor (with Bina Agarwal and Jane Humphries) of a special issue of *Feminist Economics*, July-November 2003.

Co-founder and co-editor of the working paper series of the Amsterdam School of Social Sciences Research (2003-2006).

### ***Membership and Service in Professional Associations:***

Board Member of the Netherlands School for Research in Practical Philosophy (*Onderzoeksschool Ethiek*), [www.ozse.nl](http://www.ozse.nl), since January 2009.

Founding Member, Member of the Executive Council, and Information Officer, *Human Development and Capability Association* (2004-2007). Member of the Wiebke Kuklys Prize Committee (2006, 2007) and of the Nominations Committee (2007).

Board Member, *International Association for Feminist Economics* (2004-2006). Chair of the 2005 *Feminist Economics* Editor's evaluation Committee. Member of the international committee, the publications committee and the Graduate students mentoring committee.

Member, International Association for Feminist Economics (1998-), Human Development and Capability Association (2004-), Netherlands School for Research in Practical Philosophy (2005-), Society for Applied Philosophy (2005-).

Past member of the American Economic Association, the American Political Science Association, and the Amsterdam School for Social Sciences Research (2002-2006).

***Conference and Workshop organizing:***

International Conference on 'Justice, Care, and the Family', Rotterdam, 26-27 June 2009.

Masterclass on the work of John Rawls, with Prof. Andrew Williams, Nijmegen, 18 June 2008.

Workshop 'Ideal Theory, Non-Ideal Circumstances', ECPR Joint Sessions, Helsinki, 7-12 May 2007 (with Adam Swift).

Workshop 'Political Philosophy in Practice' at the Annual Dutch-Flemish political science meeting, May 2006 (with Roland Pierik).

Organiser of a political theory session at the Annual Meetings of the American Political Science Association, September 2005.

Convener of the political theory and social sciences seminar, University of Amsterdam (September 2004 - September 2006).

Conference on Capabilities and Freedoms, University of Groningen, Philosophy Department, 6 April 2005 (with Martin van Hees).

Workshop 'Equality, Old and New' at the Annual Dutch-Flemish political science meeting, May 2003 (with Roland Pierik).

***Conference programme committees:***

Seventh International Conference of the Human Development and Capability Association, The New School University, New York, USA, September 2007.

Sixth International Conference of the Human Development and Capability Association, Groningen, The Netherlands, September 2006.

The 2004 International Conference on Feminist Economics, Oxford, UK, August 2-5.

The fourth International Conference on the Capability Approach, Pavia, Italy, September 2004.

**Papers at conferences and seminars (selection)**

I will give two invited lectures on justice, parenthood, gender, and related issues, at the Havens Center, University of Wisconsin at Madison, USA, towards the end of 2009 (invited).

*The Capability Approach and Grassroots Development Projects: promises and limitations*, Center for the Study of Developing Societies, New Delhi, India, 18 December 2008.

*Theories of Social Justice and Developments in European Welfare States*, Center for Political Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi, India, 17 December 2008.

*Children as Public Goods*, Annual day of the Dutch Research School for Practical Philosophy (Onderzoeksschool Ethiek), Utrecht, 21 October 2007, and at the EIPE seminars, Erasmus University Rotterdam, 24 October 2008.

*Can the Traditional Gender Division of Labour Be Justified?*, VIII Urrutia Elejalde Workshop on Economics and Philosophy: Economics and Gender, UNED (Madrid), 11 September 2008 (invited).

*Ideal theory in theory and practice*, Annual day of the Dutch Research School for Practical Philosophy (Onderzoeksschool Ethiek), Utrecht, 19 October 2007.

*The gender division of labour, the welfare state, and social justice*, conference Gender and Well-being, Barcelona, 25-27 June 2007 (invited).

*Feminism and Basic Income*, paper at a symposium organised by the Heinrich Böll Stiftung, Berlin, Germany, 6 July 2007 (invited).

*Are children public goods?* Annual conference of the Society for Applied Philosophy, Birmingham, 29 June – 1 July 2007.

*The Quality of Life in a Capability Approach*, Economics Department, University of Modena, Italy, 28 May 2007 (invited).

*Ideal theory in theory and practice*, ECPR Joint Sessions, Helsinki, 8-12 May 2007.

*What is gender justice?*, lecture series on Philosophy and Public Affairs, Department of Philosophy, University of Amsterdam, 29 January 2007 (invited).

*How can the capability approach be used to serve marginalized communities?*, Delhi, India, October 3-15, 2006 (invited).

*Comments on Jo Wolff and Avner de-Shalit's bookmanuscript 'Disadvantage'*, ALSP conference, Dublin, Ireland, 29 June-1 July 2006 (invited).

*Gender justice: capabilities or primary goods?*, ECPR Joint Session, workshop on Equality of Opportunity, organized by David Miller and Ian Carter, Granada, 14-19 April 2005; at the NYU-UvA workshop, Amsterdam, August 2005; and at the 5<sup>th</sup> International Conference of the Human Development and Capability Association, Groningen, The Netherlands, September 2006.

*Capabilities and freedoms: a survey*, Conference on Capabilities and Freedoms, University of Groningen, Netherlands, 6 April 2004.

*The capability approach to welfare policies*, Conference on Gender Auditing organized by the Regio Emilia-Romagna, Italy, 28 January 2005 (invited).

*Sen's capability approach to welfare economics*, Economics Department, University of Modena, Italy, 27 January 2005 (invited), and American Economic Association Meetings, Philadelphia, USA, 5-7 January 2005.

*Justice as fairness and the capability approach: reconsidering the debate*, American Political Science Association Meetings, Chicago, USA, 2-5 September 2004, and at the 4<sup>th</sup> International Conference on the Capability Approach, Pavia, Italy, September 5-7, 2005.

*Which capabilities matter?*, Annual conference of the International Association for Feminist Economics (IAFFE), Oxford, England, 2-5 August 2004.

*Resources versus capabilities: social endowments in egalitarian theory*, (joint with R. Pierik), Conference on Equality, Harvard University, USA, April 1-3, 2004 (invited).

*Assessing poverty and inequality: resources or capabilities?*, University of Maryland, USA, 12 March 2004; Bryn Mawr College, USA, 19 March 2004; and Harvard University, USA, 8 April 2004 (all invited).

*The political in Fraser's, Nussbaum's and Sen's work on social justice*, New School for Social Research, New York, USA, 24 February 2004 (invited).

*What –if anything- is wrong with the gender division of labour?*, American Political Science Association Meetings, Philadelphia, USA, August 27-September 1, 2003.

*Responsibility and preferences in Amartya Sen's capability approach*, Priority in Practice Conference, University College London, England, September 2003, and at the third conference on the capability approach, Pavia, Italy, 9-10 September 2003.

*Sen's capability approach and gender inequality*, University of East Anglia, England, 20 November 2002 (invited).

*The capability approach and the welfare state*, Centre for Business Research, Cambridge University, England, 19 November 2002 (invited).

*Sen's capability approach and gender inequality*, Second International Conference on the Capability Approach, Cambridge, England, 7-9 September 2002.

*Understanding Sen's capability approach*, Applied Philosophy Seminars, University of Hull, England, 31 October 2001.

*Sen's capability approach and feminist concerns*, Conference on Poverty and Justice: Examining Sen's capability approach, St. Edmunds College, Cambridge, England, May 5-7, 2001; and at the annual IAFFE conference, Oslo, Norway, June 22-24, 2001.

*An unworkable idea or a promising alternative? Sen's capability approach re-examined*, Faculty of Economics and Politics, Cambridge University, England, 5 March 2001.

*The political economy of non-market work*, 8<sup>th</sup> bi-annual basic income conference, Berlin, Germany, 5 October 2000 (invited keynote paper).

*What is gender inequality? Towards a framework for gender inequality research*, Chair Hoover Workshop on Ethics and Political Philosophy, Louvain-la-Neuve, Belgium, 18 March 1999; and at the annual IAFFE conference, Ottawa, Canada, 17-19 June 1999.

*Redistribution and gender wage inequalities: can theories of fair compensation provide a normative framework?*, 28<sup>th</sup> conference of the Applied Econometrics Association, Perpignan, France, 2-3 April 1998.