

# **Annual Report 2012**

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- Ghent University (UGent), Faculty of Arts and Philosophy
- International Institute of Social History (IISG)
- KU Leuven, Faculty of Arts (Candidate member since 2012)
- Leiden University (UL), Faculty of Humanities
- Radboud University Nijmegen (RU), Faculty of Arts
- Sociaal Historisch Centrum voor Limburg (SHCL)
- University of Amsterdam (UvA), Faculty of Humanities
- University of Antwerp (UA), Faculty of Arts
- University of Groningen (RUG), Faculty of Arts, Faculty of Economics and Business
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## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

In hindsight, 2012 was a year of consolidation and expansion. Consolidation could be observed in the spirited continuation of the Basic Training and the Advanced Training, the successful track record of the five research themes, and the increasing function of the Posthumus Institute to facilitate bonding and mutual support for new cohorts of PhD students. Expansion took place in the new Research MA activities of the Posthumus Institute, and in the intensification of the Advanced Training.

These activities were the fruit of much hard work by enthusiastic Posthumus fellows.

Another extension to the institute was formed by the candidate membership of the KU Leuven, which took shape in 2012 with a commitment to co-organize activities and receive Leuven PhD students in the Research School. We express the wish to expand the cooperation with Leuven and formalize the membership of the Leuven colleagues in the Posthumus Institute in the future.

One of the highlights of 2012 was the annual Posthumus Conference, during which senior fellows, aspiring postdoc researchers, and advanced PhD students presented research findings and discussed research outcomes. The conference was held at *Het Scheepvaartmuseum* in Amsterdam. The famous world historian Patrick Manning gave a key note lecture and cheered up many parallel sessions with his insightful comments.

In the completion rates of the PhD training program we observe a slight upward trend, and in average duration we observe a satisfactory downward trend. This means that, under the influence of the Research School training activities, more PhD students manage to finish their dissertation project, and do so in a shorter time period.

Economic and social historical research is booming. This becomes clear when surveying the very long list of research grants and projects that we included in this Annual Report. The list is as exhaustive as is virtually possible, and shows how both in Flanders and the Netherlands social and economic historians are very successful in developing research projects and finding ways to finance them. The high number of VENI, VIDI and VICI grants obtained by Dutch Posthumus applicants can also be mentioned here. The list of publications in the back of the report bears witness to this productivity.

*This year we included summaries of fifteen Posthumus dissertations defended in 2012. You can read these on pages 37-67.*

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## **1. INTRODUCTION**

The N.W. Posthumus Institute (NWP) is the Research School for Economic and Social History in the Netherlands and Flanders and has 14 members and a candidate member. It embodies the cooperation between almost three hundred economic and social historians attached to fifteen universities and research institutions in the Netherlands and Flanders. The institute functions as an international platform for research activities in economic and social history, and organizes the PhD training as well as a series of Research MA courses. The Posthumus Institute was founded in 1988 as the *Netherlands Interuniversity Institute For Graduate Training in Economic and Social Historical Research*. In 1994 the NWP was officially recognized as a Research School by the Royal Netherlands Academy of Arts and Sciences (KNAW). The official accreditation was renewed in 1999, in 2004, and in 2011 for periods of 6 years. NWP has established a durable platform for collaboration among scholars in the field of economic and social history. Since 2004 the Flemish universities of Antwerp (UA), Brussels (VUB) and Ghent (UGent) officially participate in the Institute. In 2011, KU Leuven joined the Posthumus Institute as a candidate member in 2012.

As an interuniversity research institute the NWP has its own budget, supporting staff, and secretariat. The institute financially supports workshops, conferences and book publications to initiate new research activities or to support the dissemination of research results. However, it does not employ researchers and does not carry out research of its own. The NWP organizes a successful research training program for PhD students, courses for Research MA students, and stimulates interuniversity research programs. For both postgraduate students and senior scholars the Posthumus Institute provides access to a wide range of information and expertise, and it has a large international network of experts in social and economic history.

The mission of the NWP is twofold:

- NWP promotes innovative and advanced interdisciplinary research in economic and social history by stimulating joint research programs of Dutch and Flemish universities and research institutes.
- NWP provides graduate training in economic and social history across a broad front through interuniversity programs that meet international standards.

To achieve its mission, NWP monitors a PhD program, promotes close cooperation between interuniversity research groups, stimulates acquisitions of large research programs through indirect government funding, operates as a nodal manager of existing international research and training networks, and defines quality indicators to meet international publication standards and the standards of the regular quality assessments in Flanders and the Netherlands.

## **2. IMPORTANT DEVELOPMENTS IN 2012**

2012 was an outstanding year for the N.W. Posthumus Institute. Fifteen PhD students completed their dissertations. At the other end of the PhD-spectrum, 24 new members were welcomed. Among them there were 11 PhD students from Flemish universities and 13 PhD students from Dutch universities (*see appendix 2*). As part of their 'Basic Training', these students met on 17 and 18 December 2012 in Brussels, where they presented their research projects.

After the first Posthumus Research MA course 'Keys to the Treasure Trove: Sources and Methods for Social and Economic Historians' was held in the Fall Semester of 2011 in Leiden, the second and third course of this pioneering NWP Research MA Program were organized in the Spring Semester of 2012 in Amsterdam and Utrecht. These 10 EC courses concentrated on debates and themes in global economic and social history. There were ten participating students from five universities, who attended class meetings taught by different lecturers from more than eleven institutions. In the Fall Semester of 2012, the first course of the second edition was organized in Utrecht. The number of participants decreased somewhat in the academic year 2012/13.

In addition to the organization of the Posthumus Training Program and the Posthumus Research MA courses, the ESTER Program of Advanced Seminars in Economic and Social History is also coordinated by the N.W. Posthumus Institute. In 2012 the ESTER Research Design Course, which constitutes the third seminar of the Posthumus Basic Training, was held at Ghent University, 17-20 September 2012.

On 24 and 25 May the annual N.W. Posthumus Conference was held at *Het Scheepvaartmuseum* in Amsterdam. At the conference, prof.dr. Patrick Manning from the University of Pittsburgh presented a keynote lecture with the title 'Global History and Migration History: Interacting Trajectories, on Land and Sea'. Eighteen papers were presented by third year PhD students and sixteen papers by members of the research programs. Not only PhD students and experts discussed these papers, also ResMA students gave comments.

## **3. ORGANISATION**

Major decisions of the N.W. Posthumus Institute are taken by the General Board, consisting of the holders of chairs in economic and social history at the participating institutions. In 2012 the General Board met two times: on 25 April 2012 and 4 October 2012. The daily affairs of NWP are in the hands of the Leiden secretariat, consisting of the scientific director, the education program director and the office manager, supported by the Executive Committee of the General Board. The education program director, dr. A. Schmidt, was succeeded by dr. A.M. Molema in September 2012. The research programs are headed by the research program directors. The research program directors met on 27 February 2012. The

Posthumus Institute has two other committees that monitor the quality of its teaching activities: the Education Committee and the Examination Committee. The Education Committee met during the Posthumus Conference at *Het Scheepvaartmuseum* on 25 May 2012, and in a telephone meeting on 4 September 2012. The Examination Committee had a telephone meeting on 19 November 2012. The PhD students were represented by drs. Kim Overlaet (UA) and drs. Joep Schenk (EUR), the latter who was succeeded by Lotte van der Vleuten MA (RU) in September 2012. Drs. Inneke Baatsen (UA) succeeded Kim Overlaet at the end of 2012.

The central office and the daily affairs of the NWP in 2012 were the responsibility of the Faculty of Humanities of the University of Leiden (2010-2015). The ‘penvoerder’ was responsible for the appointment of the scientific director, the education program director and the office manager (*see appendix 1*). The Posthumus Institute has a rotating secretariat. Former ‘penvoerders’ were the University of Utrecht (1988-1994), the Erasmus University of Rotterdam (1994-1998), the Radboud University of Nijmegen (1999-2003) and the University of Groningen (2004-2009).

The secretariat organizes or coordinates the organization of all educational activities of the research school, and maintains contacts with other research schools in the Humanities, as united in LOGOS. It also distributes a frequent newsletter by e-mail and takes care of the maintenance of the website, <http://hum.leiden.edu/posthumus>.

#### **4. PhD PROGRAM**

The *Basic Training* covers the first year and a half of a PhD project. In 2012 the N.W. Posthumus Institute offered three training seminars to first-year PhD students, designed to result in a definitive plan for the dissertation. After an individual assessment of each PhD student, the NWP diploma is awarded. Graduate students belonging to one of the participating institutions of the NWP qualify for the program if their research project is in the field of social and economic history. Students from non-participating institutions can also apply for a training position provided that their research topic is within our field. In 2012 24 PhD candidates started the program (*see appendix 2*).

In the Spring of 2012, the PhD-students of cohort 2011 continued their Basic Training with their second seminar, ‘Work in progress’, on 19-20 April 2012. This seminar was held at the Erasmus University in Rotterdam and devoted to the preparation and presentation of a minor paper, concentrating on the main characteristics of the specific dissertation project: literature, sources, relevant theories, and methods. The minor paper also serves as a provisional research plan, with a working scheme and with a provisional structure of chapters. This seminar was organized by Hein Klemann (EUR). The papers were discussed by senior experts, specialized in the topic of the PhD student or in an adjacent field.

The third seminar for Cohort 2011, the ESTER Research Design Course (RDC) was held at Ghent University, Belgium, 17-20 September 2012. The RDC was organized by the local organisers Isabelle Devos and Eric Vanhaute (*see also appendix 2*). The 33 participating PhD students, among which 20 from the Posthumus Institute, had to write a major paper and present it to an audience of leading senior scholars and PhD students from various European countries. At the RDC, prof.dr. Jacob Weisdorf of the University of Odense delivered a presentation on publication strategies.

The first seminar for the 24 PhD students of Cohort 2012, 'My research in a nutshell', took place on 17-18 December 2012 in Brussels and was organized by Anne Winter (VUB). Peter Scholliers (VUB) chaired a workshop on methodology. The aim of this starting seminar is to bring together new PhD students embarking on their PhD project. Participants submit a brief paper with an outline of literature relevant to their own project and are invited to start a discussion on their research questions and their research focus. The aim is to give insight in the position of their project within the current activities of the scientific community at large, and to relate their project to the relevant historical debates and approaches, keeping an eye on social science methodology in general.

The last element of the Posthumus Basic Training is an individual assessment. The PhD students of cohort 2010, having finished the three seminars, had their individual assessments on 7 March 2012 (in Antwerpen) and 8 March 2012 (in Utrecht). In these meetings their Basic Training was concluded in an interview with a professor of the Posthumus Institute in the presence of the education program director and the PhD supervisors.

*Appendix 2* gives a survey of the activities of the Posthumus Basic Training Program in 2012.

The Posthumus Institute also offers an *Advanced Training*, in the second and third year of the PhD projects. The Advanced Training is individual in character, as it focuses on specific research activities of the PhD students. Nonetheless, the Institute highly values the coherence of PhD cohorts after completion of their Basic Training.. The aim of the Advanced Training is to stimulate the PhD students to start writing early and to develop close contacts with senior researchers, both nationally and internationally. The criteria of the Advanced Training were rephrased into three criteria:

1. *Internationalization*: One article published in an international journal or a paper presented at a major international conference;
2. *Network engagement*: Participation at the annual Posthumus Conference, in the second year as commentator and in the third year as speaker;
3. *Exercise and feedback*: presentation of a paper on two research training activities, and dealing with criticism and feedback. Activities may include a masterclass, advanced seminar, workshop, or colloquium organized by the Posthumus Institute or by another academic institute (other than the home department).

PhD students played a key role during the annual NWP Conference at *Het Scheepvaartmuseum* in Amsterdam, on 24 and 25 May, consequently meeting the second criterion. PhD students of cohort 2009 presented their research results, whereas PhD students of cohort 2010 commented on the underlying papers of these presentations. At the annual conference, the Posthumus Institute creates opportunities for interaction and thus also stimulates contacts among PhD students and between junior and senior scholars.

In order to facilitate meeting the third criterion of the Advanced Training, the institute initiated and organized several research training activities for PhD students. Our most common training activity is the Masterclass. Masterclasses are organized around a visiting scholar who is asked to counsel a small group of PhD students. Four to six PhD students present their project and discuss problems and decisions with the guest professor (*see appendix 4*). As part of the Advanced Training, several Masterclasses with various themes were organized in 2012:

- Historical Time-Series Analysis (dr. Jan Jacobs, 26 and 27 April 2012, Groningen);
- Internal Measurement and Validity (dr. Tony Hak, 15 May 2012, Rotterdam);
- Transnational History (prof.dr. Johan Schot, 25 September 2012, Rotterdam);
- Markets, Households and Gender on the Medieval and Early Modern Countryside (Jane Whittle, Ghent, 8 November 2012).

Moreover, the Posthumus Institute co-organized a European FRESH seminar, which was held in Groningen on 8-9 November 2012. Ten PhD students in Economic and Social History presented their project for a European audience. Prof.dr. Nick Crafts, professor of Economics and Economic History at the University of Warwick, gave a key note lecture on medium term growth projection.

In the last quarter of 2012, four Advanced Training Certificates were awarded to PhD students who had finished the requirements for the Advanced Training. These diplomas were the first official certificates, after setting up the standards and communicating these to the PhD students, from 2011 onwards.

**Table 1: Enrolment and Completion rates N.W. Posthumus Institute 1998-2012.**

Cohort	Started	Stopped early	Stopped at later stage	Compl. within 4 years	Compl. within 5 years (cumul.)	Compl. within 6 years (cumul.)	Compl. within 7 years or later (cumul.)	Completion rate on 31-12-2012 Cohorts 1998-2007*	Average duration of completed dissertations in months
1998	10	1	2	1	1	3	6	67%	79
1999	5	1		0	2	2	2	50%	55
2000	9	0	1	0	1	6	8	89%	68
2001	10	1	1	0	1	3	8	89%	72
2002	12	1	2	1	6	8	9	82%	58
2003	14	0	3	1	5	6	10	71%	66
2004	13	1		0	8	11	11	92%	59
2005	5	0		0	1	2	4	80%	76
2006	12	0	3	2	5	5	7	58%	61
2007	32	0	3	4	11	16	17	53%	57
2008	24	0	2		3				54
2009	19	1							
2010	21	1							
2011	25	1							
2012	24	1							
Total	235	9	14	9	44	62	82		

\* Percentages calculated over the number of projects 1998-2007 (122 projects) excluding the projects that have been discontinued during the first NWP training year (5 projects in 1998-2007). Some of these were discontinued as a result of the first-year evaluation.

\*\* Several NWP PhD students worked part-time (often 0,8 fte). We took into account the part-time factor in the calculations of average duration in months when the information was available. This corrects the average duration.

\*\*\* Shaded cohorts are finished, completion rates and average duration do not change anymore.

### Completion rates

The success rate of students in the Training Program is operationalized by calculating two variables: the *completion rate* (i.e. the percentage of completed PhD projects) and the *average duration* (i.e. the number of months between start and completion), excluding the projects abandoned officially within the first training year. Our mission is to increase the completion rate and shorten the average duration in months. Completion rates are still increasing. Until the mid 1990s completion rates were low, with 8 percent of the PhD students receiving their doctorate within 5 years, 26 percent within 6 years, and 50 percent within 7 years (cumulative percentages). To improve completion rates, the board of the NWP defined an ambitious goal in a policy statement of 2000: a desirable completion rate of 70 percent within 5 years and 80 percent within 6 years, starting from the class of 2000.

The actual realisation of the projects completed by the cohorts of 1998-2003 amounted to an average of 76 percent of the total after 6 years (i.e. within 7 years). The average duration of a PhD project for this was 5.5 years (66 months). Of the PhD students starting in the period 2004-2007, 57% on average completed the dissertation within 6 years and 64% finished within 7 years (Table 2). The PhD students of the cohorts of 2004-2007 who finished within 7 years, on average

worked 60 months on their project (an average duration of 5.0 years). The conclusion is that both the completion rates within 6 years and the average duration continued to improve, and that the institute is heading towards its desired goals.

**Table 2: Completion rates N.W. Posthumus Institute 1988-2007.**

Cohort	Started	Stopped early	Stopped at later stage	Compl. within 4 years	Compl. within 5 years	Compl. within 6 years (cumul.)	Compl. within 7 years or later (cumul.)
1988-1991	52	n.a.	13	0	8%	27%	54%
1992-1997	58	n.a.	11	0	7%	19%	60%
1998-2003	60	4	8	.05	28%	50%	76%
2004-2007*	62	1	4	.09	41%	57%	64%

\* These percentages are calculated over the total number of projects 1998-2007 excluding the projects that have been discontinued during the first NWP training year. Some of these were discontinued as a result of the first-year evaluation.

### *ESTER*

The *European Graduate School for Training in Economic and Social Historical Research* (ESTER) is a European collaboration of prestigious universities and institutions. The ESTER network aims at improving and internationalizing the education and training of young scholars in the field of economic and social history. The current ESTER network involves more than 60 universities throughout Europe.

The organisation of the ESTER program in 2012 was conducted by the Posthumus Institute. The activities of ESTER concentrated on the organisation of the Research Design Course in Ghent, together with the local organizers. No advanced seminars were organized in 2012.

The annual Research Design Course of ESTER is particularly successful. The number of participants from European universities is large and the reactions to the content offered are good. It was therefore decided to give priority to the Research Design Course, particularly since there is an increasing supply of advanced seminars for junior reserachers. Because PhD students also increasingly attend regular conferences, the need for Advanced Seminars is not particularly urgent. Nevertheless, ESTER will continue to organize Advanced Seminars occasionally, since there still is demand for specialized meetings for advanced PhD students and young academics. In 2014 an Advanced Seminar will be organized in Prato (Italy).

## **5. RESEARCH MA**

For Research MA students, a pioneering new initiative commenced in the academic year 2011/2012 with the start of the *Posthumus Research Master program*. In three courses a thorough survey was offered into economy and society of the pre-industrial and industrial periods, focusing on various aspects of social and economic change, such as economic growth, technological progress, mental structures, business development, group formation, social mobility, migration, and environmental hazards.

The first course 'Keys to the Treasure Trove: Sources and Methods for Social and Economic Historians' was organized in Leiden in the Fall Semester of 2011. The course offered tools for doing research in social and economic history. Knowledge of source materials and methods allowed Research MA students to develop their ideas and to plan their research. A range of experts taught classes, some of which were taught 'at site' in different archives.

The second course, 'Challenges of Social and Economic History: An Introduction into the Debates of Global History', was taught in Utrecht in the Spring Semester of 2012. The recent debates in the dynamic field of global social and economic history were the topic in this course. Students were required to select two debates and to write papers about these.

The last course 'Global and Local: Themes in Social and Economic History' was organized in Amsterdam, also in the Spring Semester of 2012. The course comprised an interlinked general survey of debates about the relationship between 'global' and 'local', which started with environment, material and commodity flows, next moving via regional change urban networks, human mobility and identities, and circulation of knowledge to the issue of history and heritage in a global and local context. This was followed by a general discussion which connected and compared the insights gained from the sequence of thematic sessions.

Eleven students enrolled in the Posthumus Research Master Program. They used the slots for electives in their home university programme for the three Posthumus courses. They will write their MA-thesis and graduate at their own university, but can choose a second supervisor from any of the fifteen Posthumus universities. The students were very enthusiastic about the courses. They valued the introduction into a wide range of topics and the expertise of the teaching experts. The students also participated as referees during the Posthumus Conference in May 2012.

In the Fall Semester of 2012, the first course of the second edition was organized in Utrecht. The number of participants decreased somewhat in the new college year 2012/2013. Only seven students were enrolled in the program. The Posthumus bureau implemented a renewed communication strategy for raising more attention to the courses.

## **6. RESEARCH THEMES**

### **A. Economy and Society of the Pre-Industrial Low Countries in Comparative Perspective**

Program directors: dr. Jessica Dijkman (UU) and dr. Jord Hanus (UA)

#### *Theme*

This program brings together Dutch and Flemish scholars working on different aspects of the economy and society of the Low Countries between 1300 and 1850. The ambition is to introduce more emphasis on comparative research that identifies differences and commonalities both with surrounding countries and regions, and within the Low Countries.

The comparative perspective is important: conferences and workshops, inspired by one of the projects of the fellows, or in collaboration with the other research programs, address the internationalization of a specific theme. Both the Dutch and the Belgian cases offer excellent opportunities for comparative research in major ongoing international debates. In this respect, key examples are questions related to the character of early modern growth (as provoked by Jan de Vries and Ad van der Woude for the Dutch Republic), and questions related to the early industrialization of Belgium (and its relation to the weak political position and the specific pattern of state formation of the Southern Netherlands).

#### *Activities / Highlights*

- In the course of the year 2012 several participants in the program acquired larger or smaller research grants; they are listed among the projects in the next section.
- At the annual Posthumus conference (Amsterdam, May 2012) a session on Cultural Economics was organized, bringing together a number of Dutch and Flemish members of the program working on this topic.

#### *Projects*

In 2012 fellows of this program worked on the following projects:

- Erik Aerts (KU Leuven): 'Economic and social history of Lier (800-1900)'; 'Monetary history of the Spanish and Austrian Netherlands (1500-1800)'; 'Privileged labour. Exclusion and coinage in Flanders and Brabant (1300-1600)' and (with J. Verberckmoes) 'Economic crisis, social relations and cultural preference in medium-sized and small cities, Brabant, 1650-1750' (funded by Project Research Fund KU Leuven, 2008-2012).
- Bas van Bavel (UU) with Jessica Dijkman (UU), Jaco Zuijderduijn (UU), Auke Rijpma (UU): 'Economic Growth and Stagnation in the Pre-Industrial Era: Iraq, Italy and the Low Countries, 600-1700' (NWO VICI, 2007-2012).
- Christiaan van Bochove (UU): 'Ferries and Finance: The Financial Infrastructure of the Dutch Republic' (NWO VENI).

- Karel Davids (VU): (with Bert De Munck (UA)) ‘The circulation of technical knowledge in the Low Countries, 1400-1700’ (VNC); (with Gert Oostindie (KITLV) and Henk den Heijer (UL) ‘Dutch Atlantic Connections: the circulation of people, goods and ideas in the Atlantic world, c.1680-1795’ (NWO).
- Annelies De Bie (UA): ‘Investeren in technische kennis in de diamantsector te Antwerpen, tweede helft zestiende - begin negentiende eeuw’ (BOF-NOI) and ‘Human capital from a household perspective: knowledge investments in early modern Antwerp, Ghent, Lier and Aalst’ (FWO-aspirantschap).
- Tim De Doncker (UGent): ‘City and society in the Low Countries (1200-1800): urban space, social capital, knowledge and culture’ (part of the IUAP project ‘City and Society in the Low Countries (ca.1200-ca. 1850)’).
- Tine De Moor: (with Annemarie Bouman (UU), Miguel Laborda-Pemán (UU), Renée van Weeren (UU), Jacob Weisdorf (UU) and Jaco Zuijderduijn (UU)), ‘United we Stand’. Dynamics and Consequences of Institutions for collective action in pre-industrial Europe’ (ERC-project, 2010-2014); (with Miguel Laborda-Pemán (UU), Renée van Weeren (UU) and Jaco Zuijderduijn (UU)) ‘Common Rules. The regulation of institutions for managing commons in Europe 1100-1800’ (NWO-Internationaliseringsaanvraag, dossier nr. IG-11-04, 2011-2014); (with Pharmaccess) ‘Sustainable and Accessible Health Care in Developing Countries’ (2012); (with Tanja van der Lippe (Sociology UU) and Jaco Zuijderduijn (UU)) ‘Institutionalising care. The effect of life-cycle changes and the role of institutional diversity on old-age care provisions in historical perspective’ (2012); (coordinated by the Public University of Navarre) ‘The benefits of the commons. A historical approach to the community property, use and management of natural resources and the effect on environment and society’ (funded by the Ministerio de Educación y Ciencia, 2010-2013); ‘Historical Patterns of Development and Underdevelopment: Origins and Persistence of the Great Divergence’ (HI-POD) (FP7 Programme ‘Socio-Economic Sciences and Humanities’ - Call identifier: FP7-SSH-2007-1, 2008-2012).
- Bert De Munck (UA): ‘Stad en verandering. Naar een nieuwe onderzoeksagenda voor stadsgeschiedenis’, spokesman/director, (FWO research community (WOG), 2011-2016).
- Heidi Deneweth (VUB): ‘Household Finance in the Low Countries, 1600-1800’; ‘Urban Household Strategies in Antwerp, Ghent and Bruges, late 16<sup>th</sup>-early 19<sup>th</sup> centuries’ (part of the IUAP project ‘City and Society in the Low Countries (ca. 1200-ca.1850)’).
- Oscar Gelderblom (UU) and Joost Jonker (UU) (with Christiaan van Bochove (UU) (Postdoc) and Heidi Deneweth (VUB) (Postdoc)): ‘The evolution of financial markets in pre-industrial Europe, a comparative analysis’ (VIDI/EURIY, 2006-2012).
- Lex Heerma van Voss (Huygens ING / UU): ‘Giving in the Golden Age’.
- Dries Lyna (UA): ‘Constructing the Canon? Selection and Assessment Procedures at the Academies of Fine Arts in Antwerp and The Hague, 1650-1850’ (\$300.000, Scholarship Postdoctoral Fellow of the Fund for Scientific Research Flanders, 2010-2012).

- Clara Rasterhoff (EUR): 'Artistic exchanges and cultural transmission in the Low Countries, 1572-1672: mobility of artists, works of art and artistic knowledge' (Postdoc, NWO-funded project).
- Joost Schokkenbroek (VU): Set up of the International Centre for Dutch Whaling History in *Het Scheepvaartmuseum*; 'Walvisvangst: verwerving en distributie van producten, 17de-20ste eeuw'.
- Jan Willem Veluwenkamp (RUG): 'The ascent of the Frisians. The Dutch commercial system and the market for maritime transport, 1550-1800' (€ 600.000, NWO, klein programma vrije competitie, 2009-2013); (with Tresoar, Leeuwarden) 'Realization of the Electronic Database Sonttolregisters (1497-1857)' (€ 1,836.800, NWO, Friese culturele fondsen, Tresoar, RUG, SNS REAAL Fonds, Samenwerkende Maritieme Fondsen, Vereeniging "De Prins Hendrik Stichting" sedert 1874, 2008-2013).
- Reinoud Vermoesen (UA): 'Peasants, grote boeren en de opkomst van landelijke goederenmarkten. Testcase: het Land van Waas in de 18e eeuw' (2011-2012).

#### *PhD projects*

The following PhD students are working within this program:

- Tim Bisschops (UA): 'Broadening the 'spatial turn': real estate, annuities and the rise of the Antwerp market in the late Middle Ages (ca. 1390-ca 1430)' (supervisor: Peter Stabel (UA)).
- Pepijn Brandon (UvA): 'Masters of war: state, capital, and military enterprise in the Dutch cycle of accumulation (1600-1795)' (supervisors: Marjolein 't Hart (UvA), Marcel van der Linden (IISG) and Leo Noordegraaf (UvA)).
- Ann Coenen (UA): 'Carriers of growth? International trade and economic development in the Austrian Netherlands, 1759-1791' (supervisor: Bruno Blondé (UA)).
- Raoul De Kerf (UA): 'The circulation of technical knowledge among the guilds in Early Modern Antwerp (1500-1800)' (supervisor: Bert De Munck (UA)).
- Sandra de Pleijt (UU): 'An empirical assessment of the causes and dynamics of economic growth in the North Sea area, 1300-1900' (supervisors: Jan Luiten van Zanden and Jacob Weisdorf (UU)).
- Tom De Roo (UA): 'Social relations and domestic consumption: the case Moretus-de Neuf' (supervisor: Bruno Blondé (UA)).
- Alberto Feenstra (UvA): 'Finance without frontiers? The integration of provincial money markets in the Dutch Republic' (supervisors: Marjolein 't Hart (UvA) and Joost Jonker (UvA)).
- Boris Horemans (VUB): 'Entrepreneurs, master craftsmen, workers and merchants. Relations of production in the Brussels' building trades, 1685-1789' (supervisor: Anne Winter (VUB)).
- Heleen Kole (UU): 'The grass roots of the Dutch political culture and consensus economy. The institutional origins and evolution of local water boards' (supervisors: Maarten Prak (UU), Petra van Dam (VU) and Milja van Thielhof (Huygens/ING)).

- Miguel Laborda-Pemán (UU): 'A comparative analysis of the emergence and persistence of corporate collective action in Europe' (supervisor: Tine De Moor (UU)).
- Karin Lurvink (VU): 'Truck system in transatlantic perspective: Louisiana and the Netherlands ca. 1865-1940' (supervisors: Karel Davids (VU) and Wybren Verstegen (VU)).
- Matthias van Rossum (VU): 'A world of difference? Recruitment, social organisation and representations among Asiatic and European sailors on the global labour market of the VOC, 1650-1800' (supervisor: Karel Davids (VU) and Jan Lucassen (VU/IISG)).
- Ruben Schalk (UU): 'Financing education in the Netherlands, c.1750-1900' (supervisors: Oscar Gelderblom (UU) and Leen Dorsman (UU)).
- Simone Steenbeek (RUG): 'The Frisian shipmasters in the Baltic trade and the Dutch market for maritime transport (1550-1800).' (supervisors: Louwrens Hacquebord (RUG) and Jan Willem Veluwenkamp (RUG)).
- Jelle Versierens (UA): 'Human Qualities. Repertoires of Evaluation and the Objectification of Product Quality in the Early Modern Low Countries' (supervisors: Bert De Munck (UA) and Bruno Blondé (UA)).

#### *Grants*

The following fellows of this program were successful in obtaining grants:

- Erik Aerts (KU Leuven)(with Jelle Haemers (KU Leuven)): 'City and Society in the Low Countries (ca. 1200-ca. 1850). *The condition urbaine*: between resilience and vulnerability'. Interuniversity Attraction Poles Projects (IUAP), Phase VII (2012-2017).
- Karel Davids (VU): PhD project of Wietse Veenstra (VU) (Provincie Zeeland, Stichting Professor van Winterfonds, Stichting Maritieme Activiteiten De Ruyter, Prins Hendrik Stichting). Admiraliteitsfinanciën van Zeeland 17<sup>de</sup> en 18<sup>de</sup> eeuw.
- Oscar Gelderblom (UU): Fellowship NIAS (September 2012 – June 2013).
- Tine De Moor: (with Pharmaccess) 'Sustainable and Accessible Health Care in Developing Countries' (€15.000, Focus & Massa-program Utrecht University); (with Tanja van der Lippe, Sociology UU) 'Institutionalising care. The effect of life-cycle changes and the role of institutional diversity on old-age care provisions in historical perspective' (€15.000, Focus & Massa-program Utrecht University).
- Lex Heerma van Voss (Huygens ING/UU): 'Factory Children. Child Labor, Industrialization and Society in a Dutch Town, 1800-1914' (€ 21.000, NWO nr. 365-53-011).
- Boris Horemans (VUB): One year research grant of the Research Council of the Vrije Universiteit Brussel (1 October 2012 - 30 September 2013).
- Dries Lyna (UA): 'At the Cradle of the Creative Economy? Following the Fortunes of the Alumni of the Royal Academy of Fine Arts in Antwerp (1846-1866)' (\$10.000, Antwerp University Association research project); 'Beyond Baudelaire's indignation: an enquiry into the interplay between the art markets and the decline of the representation theory in art criticism (Brussels, 1848-

1914)' (\$250.000, Antwerp University Association research project); Travel award under the Occasional Lecturer Fund of the Council for International Exchange of Scholars to lecture at the California Institute of Technology, Pasadena (\$500); Fulbright Visiting Scholarship (\$6.000); Library Research Grant of the Getty Research Institute, Los Angeles (\$2.400); Honorary Scholarship of the Belgian American Educational Foundation; Finalist of the dissertation competition at the World Economic History Congress, Stellenbosch of the International Economic History Association (\$2.000).

- Matthias van Rossum (VU) (with Lex Heerma van Voss (Huygens ING/UU), Victor de Boer (VU), Jur Leinenga (NVZG), Karel Davids (VU), Jan Lucassen (IISG) en Joost Schokkenbroek (VU): 'Dutch Ships and Seamen' (€ 98.436, Open Call 4, CLARIN (september 2012)).
- Jacob Weisdorf (guest researcher UU): 'Labour Skills from Occupations: Quantifying Human Capital before and during the Industrial Revolution' (€255.069, Marie Curie Fellowship at Utrecht University (EU FP7 PEOPLE Grant, 2012-2014)).

#### *Dissertations defended in 2012*

- Thomas Goossens (VUB): *Staat, leger en ondernemers in de Oostenrijkse Nederlanden. De centralisering van de militaire organisatie en het beheer van de militaire bevoorradingsscontracten* (supervisor: Griet Vermeesch (VUB))
- Ton de Graaf (UU): *Voor handel en Maatschappij. Geschiedenis van de Nederlandsche Handel-Maatschappij, 1824-1964* (supervisor: Jan Luiten van Zanden (UU))
- Jeroen Puttevils (UA): *The Ascent of Merchants from the Southern Low Countries. From Antwerp to Europe 1480-1585* (supervisors: Peter Stabel (UA) and Oscar Gelderblom (UU))
- Clara Rasterhoff (EUR): *The fabric of creativity in the Dutch Republic. Painting and publishing as cultural industries, 1580-1800* (a result from the NWO-funded project 'Places and their Culture: The Evolution of Dutch Cultural Industries from an International Perspective, 1600-2000'). (supervisors: Maarten Prak (UU) and Robert Kloosterman (UvA))
- Auke Rijpma (UU): *Funding public services through religious and charitable foundations in the late-medieval Low Countries* (supervisors: Maarten Prak (UU) and Bas van Bavel (UU))
- Wouter Ryckbosch (UGent): *A consumer revolution under strain. Consumption, wealth and status in eighteenth-century Aalst (Southern Netherlands)* (supervisors: Jan Dumolyn (UGent), Bruno Blondé (UA) and Gerlinde Verbist (UA))
- Janneke Tump (VU): *Ambachtelijk geschoold. Haarlemse en Rotterdamse ambachtslieden en de circulatie van technische kennis, ca. 1400-1720* (supervisors: Karel Davids (VU) and Koen Goudriaan (VU))

### *Miscellaneous*

- In 2012 Joost Schokkenbroek has become professor Maritime History and Heritage of the VU University of Amsterdam. This chair has been funded by *Het Scheepvaartmuseum*.
- In 2012 Ulbe Bosma has been appointed professor of International and Comparative Social History at the VU University Amsterdam. This chair is funded by the International Instituted of Social History.

### **B. Drivers and Carriers of Globalisation: Technology, Economics and Business in Transnational and Comparative Perspective**

Program directors: dr. Torsten Feys (UGent) / prof.dr. Ewout Frankema (UU) and dr. Erik van der Vleuten (TUe)

#### *Theme*

The NWP program 'Drivers and Carriers of Globalisation' seeks to bring together the work of NWP fellows and PhD students on (1) the determinants of worldwide / regional integration of markets, technological systems, business systems, and polities ('drivers of globalisation'); and (2) the historical shaping of cross-border connections, movements, infrastructure, and circulations ('carriers of globalisation'). It exploits comparative as well as transnational history perspectives.

In 2012 Ewout Frankema has stepped down as Globalisation program director. He has been succeeded by Torsten Feys of the Communities Comparisons Connections program of Ghent University. Because the Drivers and Carriers of Globalisation program is comparatively large in number of fellows and possible research themes, the program considers inviting a third program coordinator.

#### *Activities / Highlights*

- Annual Posthumus conference at *Het Scheepvaartmuseum* (Amsterdam, 24-25 May 2012), Session Drivers and Carriers of Globalisation: *Global and transnational histories in practice*. Participants: Erik van der Vleuten (TUe), Torsten Feys (UGent), Rick Lautenbach (VU), Sebas Rümke (VU), Hanne Cottyn (UGent), Hein Klemann (EUR), Joep Schenk (EUR), Vincent Lagendijk (UL).
- VI International Conference of Maritime Economic History (Ghent, 2-6 June, 2012)
- Masterclass by Johan Schot (TUe) on transnational history, fall 2012, at the EUR Rotterdam.

#### *In preparation for 2013*

- 4th Transnational Rhine Conference: Crossing the Rhine. Globalisation and the Impact of War on the Rhine Economy, 21-23 March 2013, Rotterdam, Maritime Museum Rotterdam/Future Land.
- Annual Posthumus conference at the TUe (Eindhoven, 18-19 April 2013), Session Drivers and Carriers of Globalisation: *Business history goes global*. Participants: Erik van der Vleuten (TUe), Torsten Feys (UGent), Keetie

Sluyterman (Utrecht University), Gerarda Westerhuis (Utrecht University), Mila Davids (TUe).

- Workshop *Frontiers and Borders in Global and Transnational History* (Ghent, 6 and 7 September 2013), organized by the N.W. Posthumus network Drivers and Carriers of Globalisation and the Communities Comparisons Connections research group (UGent). This workshop brings together researchers of the CCC and the N.W. Posthumus Institute to debate and investigate the role of borders and frontiers in transnational and global history (15<sup>th</sup> - 21<sup>st</sup> century).

#### *Projects*

In 2012 fellows of this program worked on the following projects:

- Jutta Bolt (RUG): 'Clio Infra Reconstructing Global Inequality' (NWO, 2010-2014).
- Bram Bouwens (UU): Bedrijfsleven in Nederland in de twintigste eeuw (BINT); Business in Europe and Asia in the Twentieth Century (BEAT); Corporate history Heineken.
- Joost Dankers (UU): Bedrijfsleven in Nederland in de twintigste eeuw (BINT); Business in Europe and Asia in the Twentieth century (BEAT).
- Ewout Frankema (WUR): (with Frans Buelens (UA)) 'The History of Colonial Extraction: A Comparative Analysis of the Dutch East Indies and Belgian Congo', grant awarded by the Flemish-Dutch Committee for Dutch Language and Culture (VNC) of the combined Flemish and Dutch Science Foundation (FWO/NWO); (with Katharine Frederick (WUR) (student-assistant)) 'Is Poverty Destiny? Exploring Long Term Changes in African Living Standards in Global Perspective' (NWO VIDI project).
- Ben Gales (RUG): 'Historical Roots of the Dutch Sustainability Challenge: The Impact of the Utilization of Material Resources on the Modernization of Dutch Society, 1850-2010' (NWO, 2011-2015).
- Ferry de Goey (EUR): 'Consuls and the Institutions of Global Capitalism, 1783-1914'.
- Herman de Jong (RUG): 'Modern Times. European Capitalism in the Second Industrial Revolution 1900-1950' (NWO, 2008-2013); (with Jutta Bolt (PhD)) 'British relative economic decline in an international context, 1945-1970'.
- Hein Klemann (EUR): (with Ben Wubs (EUR) and Marten Boon (EUR)(PhD)) 'Outport and Hinterland. Rotterdam Business and the Ruhr Industry, 1870-2000' (NWO-funded project).
- Vincent Lagendijk (UL): 'Transnationalising the TVA' (VENI project).
- Bas van Leeuwen (UU): 'Human capital and economic growth in Europe, ca. 1880-2000'.
- Thomas Lindblad (UL): 'State and Economy in Modern Indonesia's Change of Regimes' (NWO, 2009-2013); 'Foreign Capital and Colonial Development in Indonesia' (NWO, 2012-2016).
- Suzanne Lommers, Johan Schot (TUe): 'The Inventing Europe Virtual Exhibit' ([www.inventingeurope.eu](http://www.inventingeurope.eu)).

- Gijs Mom (TUE): (with Karin Bijsterveld, Stefan Krebsand and Eefje Cleophas (Maastricht University)) ‘Selling Sound: The Standardization of Sound in the European Car Industry and the Hidden Integration of Europe’ (NWO).
- Giselle Nath (UGent): ‘14-18 van dichtbij. Inspiratiegids voor lokale projecten over de Grote Oorlog’ (a public history project resulting in a book) (2012).
- Frank Schipper (UL): ‘Transatlantic tourism: American visitors to Europe in the long 20th century’ (German Historical Institute, Washington D.C. ).
- Evert Schoorl (RUG): (with Bert Tieben (UvA/SEO) ‘The influence of the German Historical school in Europe’ (European comparative book project).
- Johan Schot (TUE): ‘Transitions to Sustainable Development’ ([www.sustainabilitytransitions.com](http://www.sustainabilitytransitions.com)); (with Jiri Jánac (TUE)(PhD)): *European Coasts of Bohemia: Negotiating the Danube-Oder-Elbe Canal in a Troubled Twentieth Century*, 2012 (dissertation); (with Bram Verhees (TUE)(PhD)) *Cultural Legitimacy and Innovation Journeys; A New Perspective Applied to Dutch and British Nuclear Power*, 2012 (dissertation).
- Gerarda Westerhuis (UU): ‘The corporate governance of Dutch business during the 20th century: structural change and performance’ (NWO).
- Ruth Oldenziel, Erik van der Vleuten, Johan Schot (TUE): ‘Making Europe: A New European History’ (Foundation for the History of Technology SHT & Palgrave-MacMillan: 6 volume book series with international author team ([www.makingeurope.eu](http://www.makingeurope.eu))).
- Ben Wubs (EUR): ‘The Dutch Big Four and Germany: AKU, Royal Dutch Shell, Unilever and Philips, 1920-1960’ (EUR Fellowship).
- Eric Vanhaute (UGent): (with Immanuel Wallerstein (International Social Science Council, UNESCO Program Global Social Change), financed by: Gulbankian Commission) ‘Polarizations and upward trends in the world-system (1500-2000)’. Theme: Trends of polarisation and the end of peasantries (2008-2013); (with Hanne Cottyn (Ugent)(PhD) and Yang Wang (Ugent)(PhD)) ‘The end of peasant societies in an historical and comparative perspective. A comparative research project into the changing peasant societies in Europe (Western Europe), Asia (East China) and Latin America (Brazil)’, (FWO-Vlaanderen, 2009-2012); (with Dirk Luyten (UGent)(co-promotor) and Ophelia Ongena (UGent)(PhD)) ‘Nationale en regionale spanningen in de Belgische economische politiek na de Tweede Wereldoorlog (1950-1980). Een geïntegreerde analyse van het economisch denken, de instellingen, de organisaties en het beleid’ (FWO Vlaanderen, 2010-2013); (with UGent-VUB (and UCL and Rijksarchief), Sven Vrielinck (UGent) and Torsten Wiedemann (UGent)) ‘HISSTAT. Ontwikkeling en uitbouw van een centrale gegevensbank van statistieken uit de 19<sup>de</sup> en 20<sup>ste</sup> eeuw beschikbaar op lokaal niveau (gemeenten en supracommunale eenheden)’ (€750.000, Hercules-project Middelzware Onderzoeksapparatuur, 2009-2013); (with Robrecht Declerck (European University, Firenze)(PhD) and Heinz-Gerhard Haupt (EU Firenze)(co-promotor)), ‘Saxon fur traders and craftsmen, an occupational community on the move. A transnational perspective on immigrant entrepreneurship (1880-1950)’.

- Torsten Feys (UGent) Post-doc FWO project: 'The global rise of modern borders and irregular maritime migration networks (1882-1938): a comparative research project on Atlantic and Pacific migration systems'.

*PhD projects*

The following PhD students are working within this program:

- Javier López Arnaut (RUG): 'Myths in Latin American Economic Development: A Cliometric Examination' (supervisor: Herman de Jong (RUG)).
- Marten Boon (EUR): 'Opting for Oil. The Rotterdam Oil Port and the Transition from Coal to Oil of the Rhine Industry, 1945-1973' (Part of the NWO-funded project 'Outport and Hinterland. Rotterdam Business and Ruhr Industry, 1870-2010')(supervisors: Hein Klemann (EUR) and Ben Wubs (EUR)).
- Pepijn Brandon (UvA): 'Networks of State and Capital: War, Military Institutions and Entrepreneurs inthe Netherlands (ca. 1650-1795)' (VNC project) (supervisors: Marjolein 't Hart (UvA), Marcel van der Linden (IISG) and Leo Noordgraaf (UvA)).
- Hanne Cottyn (UGent): 'Carangas on the move: Indigenous communities of the Bolivian highlands in the context of liberal state formation (1860-1930)' (supervisor: Eric Vanhaute (UGent)).
- Hilde Harmsen (EUR): 'Technological innovation and children's books during the first phase of the Cold War, 1945-1970' (supervisor: Hein Klemann (EUR)).
- Rick Hölsgens (RUG): 'Historical Roots of the Dutch Sustainability Challenge: The impact of the Utilization of Material Resources on the Modernization of Dutch Society, Energy and synthetics 1850-2010' (supervisor: Herman de Jong (RUG)).
- Arjen Ligtvoet (RUG): 'The Economics of Auschwitz' (supervisor: Maarten Duijvendak (RUG), Richard Paping (RUG) and Toon de Baets (RUG)).
- Giselle Nath (UGent): 'The rise of mass consumption in Belgium (1945-1989): the social and political construction of affluence' (FWO)(supervisors: Gita Deneckere (UGent) and Antoon Vrints (UGent)).
- Frank Ochsendorf (UL): 'Foreign investment and society in Indonesia, 1910-1960' (part of the project 'Foreign capital and colonial development in Indonesia')( supervisors: David Henley (UL) and Thomas Lindblad (UL)).
- Klara Paardenkooper (EUR): 'The Box and Rotterdam's New Hinterland. The Rise of Container Transport and Globalisation, 1970-2000' (supervisors: Hein Klemann (EUR) and Ben Wubs (EUR)).
- Joep Schenk (EUR): 'Outport and Hinterland. Rotterdam business and the Ruhr, 1870-2000' (supervisors: Hein Klemann (EUR) and Ben Wubs (EUR)).
- Joost Veenstra (RUG): 'Missed Opportunities? Germany and the Transatlantic Labor-Productivity Gap, 1900-1940' (supervisor: Herman de Jong (RUG)).
- Mark van de Water (UL): 'Foreign investment and colonial economic growth' (part of the project 'Foreign capital and colonial development in Indonesia') (supervisors: David Henley (UL) and Thomas Lindblad (UL)).
- Pieter Woltjer (RUG): 'The roaring thirties. Productivity growth and technological change in Great Britain and the United States during the early twentieth century' (supervisor: Herman de Jong RUG)).

- Xiaodong Xu (UL): 'Genesis of a growth triangle in Southeast Asia; A study of economic connections between Singapore, Johor and Riau, 1870s – 1970s' (supervisors: Henk den Heijer (UL) and Thomas Lindblad (UL)).

#### *Grants*

The following fellows of this program were successful in obtaining grants:

- Cátia Antunes (UL): 'Fighting Monopolies, Defying Empires, 1500-1750: A Comparative Overview Of Free Agents and Informal Empires in Western Europe and the Ottoman Empire' (Starting Grant, European Research Council, 2013-2018); 'Challenging Monopolies, Building Global Empires in the Early Modern period' (VIDI Vernieuwingsimpuls NWO, 2012-2016); Proposed for ASPASIA program (NWO, 2012); Carla Musterd Teaching Award for best Teacher (2011-2012).
- Bram Bouwens (UU): NWO-internationaliseringssubsidie (BEAT).
- Pepijn Brandon: (UvA): 'The Dutch network of James Brydges: Anglo-Dutch connections and the international integration of capital markets during the War of the Spanish Succession' (Bendikson Fellow, Huntington Library, California, USA, juli - augustus 2012).
- Ewout Frankema (WUR): 'Is Poverty Destiny? A New Empirical Foundation of Long Term African Welfare Analysis' (ERC Starting Grant project); 'Is Poverty Destiny? Exploring Long Term Changes in African Living Standards in Global Perspective' (NWO VIDI project).
- Gerarda Westerhuis (UU): 'Unraveling the origins of a banking crisis: changing perceptions of risk and managerial beliefs in Dutch banking, 1957-2007' (NWO VENI project).
- Ben Wubs (EUR): 'The Enterprise of Culture: International Structures and Connections in the Fashion Industry Since 1945' (Selected for Final proposal for HERA grant).
- Eric Vanhaute (UGent): International Conference IMEHA2012, Ghent, July 2012, [www.imeha2012.ugent.be](http://www.imeha2012.ugent.be) (€5000 FWO-grant and €5000 Faculty Grant); (with Stijn Van de Perre (UGent)) 'The development of the fiscal administration as a manifestation of state capacity and infrastructural power, Southern Netherlands and Belgium (1795-1852)' (€160.000, FWO project 2012-2016, PhD student Pieter De Reu); 'Development of a digital land register for mid-nineteenth century Belgium' (€500.000, Hercules projects *POP-KADD*, Hercules Middelgrote Onderzoeksinfrastructuur 2012); 'Changing grounds. 'Free' and 'unfree' coffee-growing labor in the Kivu region, Belgian Congo and Ruanda-Urundi, 1920-1960' (Ghent University Research Project, 2012-2017, PhD student Sven van Melkebeke); 'The impact of land system on the urban-rural gap in China, 1949-2009. An economic-historical reconstruction (Anhui, Jiangsu, Shanghai, Zhejiang)' (Joint PhD Grant Ghent University and Peking University, PhD student Yu Xiao); 'Peacekeeping in Gaza (1956-1967), Congo (1960-1964) and Cyprus (1964-1992): Towards an understanding of the experiences of the 'peacekept' based on cases from Danish Peacekeeping forces' (Joint PhD Grant Ghent

University and Aalborg University, Denmark, PhD student Martin Ottovay Jørgensen).

#### *Dissertations defended in 2012*

- Jeroen Euwe (EUR): *It is therefore both in the German and in the Dutch interest...*(supervisor: Hein Klemann (EUR)).
- Suzanne Lommers (TUe): *Europe - On Air: Interwar Projects for Radio Broadcasting* (supervisors: Johan Schot (TUe) and Erik van der Vleuten (TUe)).

### **C. People, Space and Places in History**

Program directors: dr. Paul Brusse (UU) and dr. Tim Soens (UA)

#### *Theme*

Within the Posthumus Institute, the PSP program tries to cover a wide variety on research on the spatial and regional dynamics of human life over the past millennium. PSP aims to foster regional analysis to enquire a wide variety of social and economic dynamics, including town-countryside relationships, the interaction between the local and global, networks of regions and towns, the cultural landscape and the natural environment or the construction and meaning of space.

#### *Activities / Highlights*

As a research program and a network People, Space and Places aims to organize or co-organize two or three activities each year to present and discuss recent research by the program's fellows, PhD students and national and international scholars in the same field. At the Posthumus Conference in Amsterdam (24-25 May 2012), PSP organized a well-attended session on 'Rural Actors, Networks and Identities', which aimed to offer a broad overview on the different research topics PSP fellows and students were working on. On 16 November a seminar was organized on the history of the Dutch province of Zeeland 1550-1700 on the occasion of the presentation of volume II of *Geschiedenis van Zeeland*.

Among the new research activities initiated by PSP fellows, we would like to highlight the renewed attention for historical GIS. Posthumus fellows Tim Soens, Bruno Blondé, Hilde Greefs and Bert De Munck acquired funding for the development of a historical GIS for the city of Antwerp, which aims to reconstruct the spatial development of the city of Antwerp, at the level of the individual house or household between the early 20<sup>th</sup> century and (provisionally) the late 18<sup>th</sup> century (see below, GISTorical Antwerp). This project matches similar initiatives in The Netherlands (with the Dutch HISGIS, led by Hans Mol (UL/Fryske Academy) now focusing specifically on urban development, with a pilot on Amsterdam). Over the next years, these Historical GIS initiatives promise to unlock unprecedented possibilities on the integration and spatial development of large datasets, enabling a new generation of analysis and visualization in the field of urban social-economic, environmental and planning history.

### *Projects*

In 2012 fellows of this program worked on the following projects:

- Paul Brusse (UU): 'Economic history of Noord-Brabant 1650-2014'; 'The history of Zeeland (volume II and III)'.
- Piet van Cruyningen (WUR): 'Economic and social history of Gelderland, 1800-2000'; 'In search of the poldermodel' (NWO, Huygens ING).
- Maarten Duijvendak (RUG): 'Memento Mori, death and the graveyard in the Dutch and German coastal regions'; 'Development of urban and regional history in the Low Countries'; 'Comparative research into the cohesive and disruptive forces destining the attachment of groups of persons to and the cohesion within regions as a historical phenomenon' (ESF-granted EuroCORECODE Cuius Regio project, 2009-2013).
- Wouter Ronsijn (VUB): 'HISSTAT project' (dat tot doel heeft het verzamelen van lokale en/of individuele statistieken beschikbaar voor heel België, sinds 1800).
- Yves Segers (KU Leuven): 'The agro-food market in northwestern Europe, 500-2000'; 'Knowledge networks in agriculture and rural Europe, 1700-2000'; 'First World War, agriculture and food'; (with Leen Van Molle (KU Leuven) and Chantal Bisschop (KU Leuven)(PhD)) 'Als landbouw en platteland niet meer samenvallen' De Landelijke Gilden, Vlaanderen 1950-1990'; (with Leen Van Molle (KU Leuven) and Jan Roobrouck (KU Leuven)(PhD)) ; 'Op zoek naar elegante oplossingen. Landbouwwetenschap en -beleid in België (19<sup>de</sup> en 20<sup>ste</sup> eeuw)'; (with Hilde Vandendriessche (KU Leuven) and Hanne De Winter (KU Leuven)(PhD)) 'Plantenvoeding, bemestingsadviezen en bodemanalyse in België, 1885-1991'; (with Leen Van Molle (KU Leuven) and Stephanie Kerckhofs (KU Leuven)(PhD)) 'Landbouwwetenschap en kennisnetwerken in Belgisch Congo, 1908-1960'; (with Brecht Demasure (KU Leuven)) 'Wereldoorlog I, landbouw en voeding'.
- Tim Soens (UA): 'Ecologische conflicten, plattelandsgemeenschappen en politieke centralisatie in de Bourgondisch-Habsburgse Nederlanden (ca. 1300-ca. 1570): test-case: het hertogdom Brabant' (UA-BOF-project 2009-2013); (with Erik Thoen (UGent)) 'Haantjesgedrag. Lokale elites in een veranderende samenleving: een comparatief onderzoek naar machtsverwerving in Vlaamse en Brabantse dorpsgemeenschappen (13<sup>e</sup>-16<sup>e</sup> eeuw)' (FWO-project G.0757.09N, 2009-2013); (with Stijn Temmerman (UA)) 'Verdronken maar niet verlaten. Interacties tussen sociale en ecologische veerkracht van estuariene landschappen na overstromingen. Test-case: de Wase Scheldepolders op de Antwerpse Linkeroever (15<sup>e</sup>-18<sup>e</sup> eeuw)'; 'CORN Comparative Rural History of the North Sea Area' (FWO-Onderzoeksgemeenschap CORN, 2011-2015); (with Philippe Crombé (UGent), Marc De Batist (UGent) and Jacques Verniers (UGent)) 'Een archeologische verkenning van de land-zee overgangszone in Doelpolder Noord (Westerschelde monding): impact van zeespiegelstijgingen op het paleolandschap en de menselijke bewoning van de prehistorie tot de middeleeuwen' (FWO-project G.0249.11, 2011-2015); 'research project 'ruralheritage'' (sub-contractor Tritel Engineering NV, study commissioned by the Flemish Government, 2011-2012).

- Erik Thoen (UGent): 'CORN Comparative Rural History of the North Sea Area' (FWO-Onderzoeksgemeenschap CORN, 2011-2015); with Tim Soens (UGent)) Haantjesgedrag. Lokale elites in een veranderende samenleving: een comparatief onderzoek naar machtsverwerving in Vlaamse en Brabantse dorpsgemeenschappen (13<sup>e</sup> -16<sup>e</sup> eeuw)' (FWO-project, 2009-2013).

#### *PhD projects*

About 25 PhD students are active within the PSP network. As a random selection we can mention:

- Karen Arijs (VUB): 'Deconstructie van 'familiarity': een analyse van historische representaties van 'anderen' via onderzoek naar openbare feesten in de grensregio Limburg (19<sup>de</sup>-20<sup>ste</sup>eeuw)' (supervisors: Peter Scholliers (VUB) and Ad Knotter (Maastricht University)).
- Pieter De Graef (UA): "Wo mistus, da Christus'. A micro-perspective on the allocation and recycling of urban waste in the rural economy of early modern Flanders' (aspirant FWO 2012-2016)(supervisors: Bruno Blondé (UA), Thijs Lambrecht (UGent) and Tim Soens (UA)).
- Maïka De Keyzer (UA): 'De competitie over de Commons in de laatmiddeleeuwse Kempen: een onverkend gebied' (aspirant FWO, 2010-2014)(supervisor: Tim Soens (UA)).
- Stephanie Kerckhofs (KU Leuven): 'Farming in tropical Africa. Agricultural science and knowledge networks in Belgian Congo, 1933-1960' (supervisors: Yves Segers (KU Leuven) and Leen van Molle (KU Leuven)).
- Filip Van Roosbroeck (UA): 'Knowledge creation and knowledge circulation in the Austrian Netherlands: the rinderpest epizootic of 1769 - 1785 in the duchy of Brabant and the county of Flanders' (aspirant FWO 2011-2015)( supervisors: Tim Soens (UA) and Bert De Munck (UA)).

#### *Grants*

The following fellows of this program were successful in obtaining grants:

- Maarten Duijvendak (RUG): (with prof.dr. B. Ramakers (RUG) and dr. P. Wessels and dr. S. König (Ostfriesische Landschaft te Aurich)) 'Memento Mori, death and the graveyard in the Dutch and German coastal regions' (€20.000, Interreg IV Eems Dollard Region Network Grant, 2012-2013).
- Tim Soens (UA): (with Bruno Blondé (UA), Hilde Greefs (UA), Peter Stabel (UA), Bert De Munck (UA)) 'GIStorical Antwerp: a micro-level data tool for the study of past urban societies, test-case: Antwerp' (€271.631, Hercules Foundation, 2012-2017); (with Peter Stabel (UA)) 'The town in the countryside. Textile production and town-country relations in the Flemish Westland (15<sup>th</sup>-16<sup>th</sup> centuries)' (€240.000, FWO, 2013-2017).

## **D. Life-Course, Family and Labour**

Program directors: Prof.dr. I. Devos (UGent) and dr. H. Bras (RU)

The program addresses the developments in population and family from the early modern age until the present. The key questions within the program refer to these processes and the differences in this respect between social classes, religious denominations, regions and parts of the world. The coherence in the group is predominantly the result of the use of the life course perspective.

### *Activities / Highlights*

The following activities are some of the highlights of this research group:

- In May 2012, Hilde Bras presented a paper on family networks and fertility in contemporary Europe at the Centre for Economic History of the University of Lund, Sweden.
- The program organized a session at the annual NWP conference in May 2012 in Amsterdam. They invited Lotta Vikström from the Center for Population Studies at Umea to present her work on the life course of young offenders during the 19<sup>th</sup> century and the Umea-Database.
- In June 2012, Hilde Bras was invited to present her work at the Population History Seminar of the Max Planck Institute for Demographic Research in Rostock, Germany.
- In September 2012, Hilde Bras presented a paper on structural and diffusion effects in the Dutch historical fertility decline at the IUSSP seminar on 'Socio-economic Stratification and Fertility before, during and after the Demographic Transition' in Alghero (Sardinia). Jan Kok and Hilde Bras presented a paper on household composition and survival of Dutch elderly, 1900-1940' at the MOSAIC Conference on residence patterns of the elderly, in Budapest in September 2012.
- Several members of the program organized sessions and presented papers at the Social Science and History Conferences organized by the European SSHA in April 2012 and the American SSHA in October 2012. Isabelle Devos co-organized a triple session on 'Singles & The City' in Glasgow. Paul Rotering and Hilde Bras organized a session on spatial differences in reproductive behavior in Vancouver. Hilde Bras, Paul Rotering, Bastian Mönkediek and Yuliya Hilevych presented papers in the framework of the VIDI-project.
- Historical demographers from Belgium and the Netherlands convened on 14 December 2012 in Leuven for the fifth Day of Historical Demography. It was co-organized by Hilde Bras and was dedicated to the use of Gender in/and Historical Demography. Proceedings of the conference will be published in 2013 in a special volume (Acco, Leuven). A book from a previous meeting 'Leren van historische levenslopen' was co-edited by Hilde Bras and published in 2012.

### *Projects*

In 2012 fellows of this program worked on the following projects:

- Hilde Bras (RU): 'The Power of the Family. Family Influences on Long-Term Fertility Decline in Europe, 1850-2010' (VIDI Innovational Research Grant,

Netherlands Organization for Scientific Research, 2011-2015); ‘Linking Historical Lives (Linked Lives): A Database with Life Courses of Brothers and Sisters, 1850-2010’ (NWO Medium Investment Grant, 2010-2013).

- Kees Mandemakers (IISH): ‘LINKing System for historical family reconstruction’ (NWO/CATCH program LINKS); ‘Linking Historical Lives (Linked Lives)’ (NWO Middelgroot); ‘European Historical Population Samples Network (EHPS-Net)’ (European Science Foundation); ‘Census data open linked - CEDAR - From fragment to fabric - Dutch census data in a web of global cultural and historic information’ (Computational Humanities program, KNAW); ‘Making an Inventory of Dutch Censuses before 1850’ (MOSAIC Netherlands).
- Christa Matthys (UGent): ‘Life cycle servants across Europe during the 19th century’ (Post-doctoral fellow at Max Planck Institute for Demographic Research, Rostock, Germany).
- Isabelle Devos and Eric Vanhaute (UGent): ‘HISSTAT. Ontwikkeling en uitbouw van een centrale gegevensbank van statistieken uit de 19<sup>de</sup> en 20<sup>ste</sup> eeuw beschikbaar op lokaal niveau (gemeenten en supracommunale eenheden) 2009-2013’ (Hercules Foundation, 2009-2013).
- Richard Paping (RUG): (with Erwin Karel (RUG)) ‘Ownership, management and transfer of agricultural land: sustainability in the long run 1500-2000’.

#### *PhD projects*

The following PhD students are working within this program:

- Nynke van den Boomen (RU): ‘Region, religion and death. The cultural rigidity of mortality and cause-of-death in the Netherlands, 1875- 1899’ (supervisors: Theo Engelen (RU), Angelique Janssens (RU) and Jan Kok (RU)).
- Sofie De Langhe (UGent): ‘Analyse van de bestaansstrategieën van nooit gehuwde vrouwen tijdens de vroegmoderne tijd. Casus: het Brugse Vrije (1730-1850)’(supervisor: Isabelle Devos (Ugent)).
- Sofie De Veirman (UGent): ‘Breaking the silence. On the cultural, formal and social integration of the hearing impaired in East-Flanders, 1750-1900’ (aspirant FWO, 2010-2014) (supervisor: Isabelle Devos (UGent)).
- Yuliya Hilevych (RU): ‘Family relationships and reproductive careers during the fertility decline in Ukraine, 1950-1970’ (part of the VIDI-project ‘The Power of the Family’) (supervisors: Theo Engelen (RU) and Hilde Bras (RU)).
- Wouter Marchand (RUG): ‘200 years of student grant and its contribution to social mobility’ (supervisors: Maarten Duijvendak (RUG) and Richard Paping (RUG)).
- Maja Mechant (UGent): ‘Women with a deviant survival strategy? The life courses of prostitutes in Ghent and Bruges, 1750-1795’ (supervisor: Isabelle Devos (UGent)).
- Bastian Mönkediek (RU): ‘Family Networks and Fertility Behaviour in Europe’ (part of the VIDI-project ‘The Power of the Family’ (supervisors: Jan Kok (RU) and Hilde Bras (RU))).

- Paul Rotering (RU), The power of the family: family influences on long-term fertility decline in Europe, 1850-1920 (part of the VIDI-project 'The Power of the Family') (supervisors: Jan Kok (RU) and Hilde Bras (RU)).
- Robin Satter (RU): 'Financing the ageing of population. An historical and comparative perspective' (supervisors: Theo Engelen (RU) and Jan Kok (RU)).
- Nina Van den Driessche (UGent): 'Modernization of the Western World: An International Comparative Analysis of Marriage Partner Selection (1800-1913)' (supervisor: Bart Van de Putte (UGent)).
- Lotte van der Vleuten (RU), Human capital, agency and the world economy (1850-2000) (supervisors: Jan Luiten van Zanden (UU) and Jan Kok (RU)).

### *Grants*

The following fellows of this program were successful in obtaining grants:

- Hilde Bras (RU): Installed as member of the Young Academy, Royal Netherlands Academy of Arts and Sciences, March 2012 (50 elected members); 'Data entry of Folklore Questionnaires [Volkskundevragenlijsten] nr. 41 (1971) on courtship practices and nr. 7 (1941) on practices around childbearing' (€10.000, Research grant, Faculty of Arts).
- Jan Kok 'Data entry of 18th century Ceylonese thombos' (€8.000), Research grant, Faculty of Arts.
- Isabelle Devos (UGent): 'HISSTER. Ontwikkeling van een databank van sterftekennissen beschikbaar op lokaal niveau' (€57.845, BOF Research Infrastructure, 2012-2013).
- Christa Matthys (UGent-MPIDRostock): Research Fellowship by the Belgian Historical Institute in Rome. Two-month research stay in Florence and Rome (€3300).
- Yuliya Hilevych (RU): 'Field study in Kharkiv (the field study is a part of the project: Family relationships and reproductive careers during the fertility decline in Ukraine, 1950-1970)' (International office grant, March-May 2013).
- Marcel van der Linden (IISH): (with Karin Hofmeester (IISH), Christine Moll-Murata (IISH) and Jan Lucassen (IISH)) 'Global History from Below: Explaining and Connecting Shifts in Labour Relations 1500-2000' (€218.500, Gerda Henkel Stiftung, Düsseldorf).
- Kees Mandemakers (IISH): 'HSN LINKS Zeeland (HLZ). Extending and combining the HSN database with the LINKS database, demonstrator: Zeeland.' (€100.000, CLARIAH (Common Lab for Research in the Arts and Humanities)).

### *Dissertations defended in 2012*

- Christa Matthys (UGent): '*Sex and the City. Servants and the diffusion of fertility control in Flanders (1830-1930)*', 2012 (supervisors: Isabelle Devos (UGent) and Eric Vanhaute (UGent)).
- Mattijs Vandezande (KU Leuven) *Born to die. Death clustering and the intergenerational transmission of infant mortality in an international perspective: the Antwerp district and northern Sweden in the nineteenth century* (PhD

dissertation KU Leuven, 2012) (Supervisors: Koenraad Matthijs (KU Leuven) and and Jan Kok (RU / KU Leuven)).

## **E. Social History of Communities**

Program directors: Prof.dr. Marlou Schrover (UL) and dr. Griet Vermeesch (VUB)

### *Theme*

Social History of Communities is a Flemish-Dutch research program for scholars working on the history of communities, cohesion and social change. Part of the program are, for example, large research projects by Manon van der Heijden (UL), research into migration processes (by Leo Lucassen (UL), Marlou Schrover (UL), Anne Winter (VUB) and Hilde Greefs, (UA)), and research into social mobility, as presented in the ERC Advanced Grant Project of Marco van Leeuwen (IISG/UU) on intergenerational social mobility 1700-2000.

The program focuses partly on the concept of 'civil society' which is important in the literature on the history of communities and unites the interests of many Posthumus research fellows and PhD students. Social History of Communities explicitly looks outside Europe and emphasizes a global perspective with a long-term perspective from Middle Ages to the present.

The program looks at causes and patterns of the formation of social groups, and at the consequences. Three areas of research are particularly relevant:

1. The formation of boundaries between social groups e.g. through marriages or other processes of assimilation and closure.
2. Changes in shared beliefs and feelings of belonging. In what ways does membership of certain institutions result in a sense of creating shared resources and identities? Are some organizations more effective than others in this respect, and how, and why, does this change over time?
3. The impact that institutions have on the society at large with regard to a generalized feeling of trust, or conversely, social tensions and conflicts.

### *Activities / Highlights*

In 2012 the VICI project of Marlou Schrover (UL), 'Differences that make all the differences. Gender, migration and vulnerability (migration to the Netherlands 1945-2005)', has been brought to an end, resulting in three dissertations, a book by Postdoc Corrie van Eijl and several other publications. Tycho Walaardt (UL) defended his dissertation *Geruisloos inwilligen. Argumenten in de Nederlandse asielprocedure in de periode 1945-1994* (Hilversum Verloren 2012) on 24 April 2012 and Nadia Bouras (UL) defended *Het Land van Herkomst. Perspectieven op verbondenheid met Marokko, 1960-2010* (Hilversum Verloren 2012) on 27 November 2012. In the summer of 2012 Corrie van Eijl (UL) published *Tussenland. Illegaal in Nederland 1945-2000* (Hilversum Verloren 2012). The third PhD within this project, Charlotte Laarman, will defend her dissertation on 27 June 2013 (*Oude onbekenden. Het politieke en publieke debat over postkoloniale migranten in*

*Nederland, 1945-2005* (Hilversum Verloren 2013). Other publications within this project are Charlotte Laarman, 'Representations of Postcolonial Migrants in discussions on Intermarriage in the Netherlands, 1945-2005' in: U. Bosma, *Post-Colonial Immigrants and Identity Formations in the Netherlands* (Amsterdam 2012) 49-67 and Marlou Schrover, 'Van zeeliedenoproer tot pogrommerdam. Rassenrelle in 1926 en 1972', *Meent* 2012, 18-23.

Manon van der Heijden (UL) (with Martha Howell (Columbia University, New York) & Ariadne Schmidt (UL)) organized a major session at the 11<sup>th</sup> International Conference on Urban History, 29 August – 1 September, Prague 2012 entitled 'The Lure of the City'. Other major sessions were organized by a.o. Anne-Laure Van Bruaene (UGent) 'The Urban Parish (late Middle Ages & Early Modern Period)', Bert De Munck (UA) (with Ellen Decraene (UA)) 'Female agency and civil society in late medieval, early modern and nineteenth-century cities', Bruno Blondé (UA) 'Economics of quality and the material renaissance. Comparative perspectives on material culture changes in late medieval and sixteenth-century Europe' and Marc Boone (UGent) 'Investir le produit de l'impôt urbain: officiers municipaux, élites urbaines, financiers (moyen âge – XVIe siècle)'.

In the summer of 2012 the Interuniversity Attraction Poles (IUAP) Programme 7/26 '*City and Society in the Low Countries (ca. 1200-ca. 1850); The condition urbaine: between resilience and vulnerability*' took off. Many fellows and PhD students of the N.W. Posthumus Institute are engaged in the IUAP network 'City & Society'.

### *Projects*

In 2012 fellows of this program worked on the following projects:

- Bert Altena (EUR): 'Biography of an unknown worker: A.J. Lansen 1847-1931'; (with Constance Bantman (University of Sussex)) 'Transnationalism and its limits: the anarchist movement 1870-1940'; (with Hartmut Rübner (Stiftung für Sozialgeschichte, Bremen)) 'A book with essays about Arthur Lehning'.
- Saskia Bonjour (UL): 'Reassessing the 'control gap' debate. The making of family migration policies in France, Germany and the Netherlands, 1955-1995' (VENI NWO).
- Marc Boone (UGent): (with Anne-Laure Van Bruaene (Ugent), Chloé. Deligne (ULB), Maarten Prak (UU), Bruno Blondé (UA), Bert De Munck (UA), Patrick Lefèvre (KB Brussel), Wouter Bracke (KB Brussel), Michel Draguet (Koninklijke Musea Schone Kunsten Brussel), Sabine Van Sprang (Koninklijke Musea Schone Kunsten Brussel), Anne Winter (VUB), Ferdinand Buylaert (VUB), Erik Aerts (KU Leuven), Jelle Haemers (KULeuven), Isabelle Parmentier (FUNDp, Namur), Judith Pollmann (UL), Manon van der Heijden (UL)) 'City and Society in the Low Countries (ca. 1200-ca. 1850). *The condition urbaine: between resilience and vulnerability*' (€900.000, Interuniversity Attraction Poles Projects (IUAP), Phase VII, 2012-2017).
- Idesbald Goddeeris (KU Leuven): (with Wouter Goedertier (PhD)(KU Leuven)) 'The transnationality of Belgian East-West and North-South movements in the

1980s'; (with Kim Christiaens (PhD)(KU Leuven)) 'Noord-Zuid en Oost-West sociale bewegingen in België (1968-1989)'; (with Katrin Van Cant (PhD)(KU Leuven)) 'De omgang met het verleden in een politiek transitieproces. De past relationship in Oekraïne, Polen, Slovakije en Tsjechië: 1989/91-2004'; (with Henk Byls (PhD)(KU Leuven)) 'Religie, cultuur en alterteit. Vlaams/Belgische migranten in Noord-Frankrijk en Parijs (1850-1960)'.

- Hadewijch Masure (UA): 'Rural Heritage in the Waasland Polder area' (October 2011-May 2012); 'Poor relief in rural communities in the Southern Low Countries, 1450-1600' (May 2012-September 2012).
- Maarten Prak (UU): (with Huygens ING) 'In search of the poldermodel: Participation and representation in Dutch water boards in the pre-democratic era' (NOW project ).
- Ariadne Schmidt (UL): 'Women and work in the early modern Northern Netherlands, c. 1550-1815'; 'Crime and gender before the courts of England and the Netherlands: 1600-1800'.
- Pieter Spierenburg (EUR): 'The global trajectory of murder and genocide' (NWO Internationalisering in de geesteswetenschappen).
- Griet Vermeesch (VUB): 'Access to justice. Urban legal procedures and the usage of the pro bono procedure in civil adjudication in the Low Countries, 16th to 18th century'.
- Marco van Leeuwen (IISG): 'HISCO - History of work' (2005-present); (with Richard Zijdeman (UU)) 'HiSCO-collaboratory' (2009-present); (with Lex Heerma van Voss (Huygens ING)) 'Giving in the Golden Age' (2010-present); 'Towards Open Societies? Trends, variations and driving forces of intergenerational social mobility in Europe over the past three centuries' (2010-present); 'Historical International Social Mobility Analysis' 2011-present); 'Hiscam-scales' (2012-present); (with Pamala Wiegking (EUR)) 'National Campaigns for Good Causes' (2012-present); (with Henk Flap (UU), Ineke Maas (UU) and Wiebke Schulz (PhD)(UU)) 'PhD-project, Open Competition, Social Sciences (MaGW)' (2007-present).
- Marlou Schrover (UL): (with Nadia Bouras (PhD)(UL), Charlotte Laarman (PhD)(UL), Tycho Walaardt (PhD)(UL) and Corrie van Eijl (Postdoc)(UL)) 'Differences that make all the differences. Gender, migration and vulnerability (migration to the Netherlands 1945-2005)' (VICI NWO).
- Loes van der Valk (IISG): Zieken- en Begrafenisfondsen, weduwefondsen en levensverzekeringen in Nederland in de periode 1827-1880.
- Karin Willemse (EUR): "Violence is in the eye of the beholder". The historical contextualization of narratives on masculinities among male youths in spaces of violence in Sudan, Palestinian Occupied Territories and Egypt' (VIDI application / disapproved in the third round); (with Goolam Vahed (UKZN, Durban, Zuid Afrika)) 'Space and identity in Chatsworth, a slum of Durban (SA)' (Research project funded by SANPAD, 2010-2014).
- Anne Winter (VUB): 'Ambachtsmeesters, bouwondernemers en openbare werken in Brussel (1600 -1795): een sociaal-economische benadering', (2012 - 2013).

### *PhD projects*

The following PhD students are working within this program:

- Alexander Coppens (VUB) ‘Between local autonomy and national migration policy: Dealing with ‘foreigners’ in Brussels, 1750-1914’ (supervisors: Hilde Greefs (UA) and Anne Winter (VUB)).
- Pieter De Messemaker (UGent): ‘Transnational Intellectual Mobility, Sociability, and Networks: Polish Students and Scholars in Brussels and Paris, 1894-1930’ (supervisors: Christophe Verbruggen (Ugent) and Julie Carlier (Ugent)).
- Ellen Debackere (UA) ‘Between local autonomy and national migration policy: Dealing with ‘foreigners’ in Antwerp, 1750-1914’ (supervisors: Hilde Greefs (UA) and Anne Winter (VUB)).
- Ellen Decraene (UA): ‘Vrouwelijke netwerkvorming in het vroegmoderne Aalst: ‘sociaal kapitaal’ achter de schermen?’ (aspirant FWO)(supervisor: Bert De Munck (UA)).
- Britt Denis (UA): ‘Urban community building in an age of transition: material discourses of inclusion and exclusion in nineteenth-century Antwerp’ (supervisors: Bruno Blondé (UA) and Ilja van Damme (UA)).
- Kate Ekema (UL): ‘Challenging Monopolies, Building Global in the Early Modern period: suing the monopolies – the case of the VOC and the WIC’ (supervisor: Cátia Antunes (UL)).
- Jeanette Kamp (UL): ‘Crime and gender in Frankfurt am Main, Germany (1600-1806)’ (supervisors: Manon van der Heijden (UL) and Leo Lucassen (UL)).
- Gertjan Leenders (UGent): ‘Denunciation in Belgium during the two world wars. Power relations, actors, and motives’ (supervisor: Antoon Vrints (Ugent)).
- Inge Ligtvoet (UL): ‘African Youth Confronting Political Repression in a Globalized Cameroon and Nigeria’ (supervisor: Mirjam de Bruijn (UL)).
- Hadewijch Masure (UA): ‘Poor relief and community building in the Southern Low Countries, ca. 1300-1600’ (aspirant FWO)(supervisors: Bert De Munck (UA) and Peter Stabel (UA)).
- Hanne Provoost (VUB): ‘Two centuries of private charity in Antwerp: a study about generous donors and their environment, 1598-1795’ (supervisor: Anne Winter (VUB)).
- Aniek Smit (UL): ‘Highly skilled migrants in The Hague and Jakarta since 1945’ (2010-2015) (supervisor: Leo Lucassen (UL)).
- Daniëlle Teeuwen (IISG): ‘A golden age of collections. Voluntary giving and civil society in the Dutch Republic, 1550-1820’ (‘Giving in the Golden Age’) (supervisor: Lex Heerma Voss (Huygens ING)).
- Tineke Van Gassen (UGent): ‘Archives as touchstones of urban memories: self-consciousness and identity. Focus on late medieval Ghent in a comparative perspective’ (supervisor: Marc Boone (Ugent)).
- Vicky Vanruysseveldt (VUB): ‘Artists or Beggars? Itinerant Entertainers and Popular Culture in Brabant, 1750-1914’ (supervisor: Anne Winter (VUB)).

- Rik Vercammen (VUB): ‘Levenslopen aan de rafelrand: ‘bedelaars’ en ‘landlopers’ in Belgische Rijksweldadigheidskolonies, 1890-1910 (supervisor: Anne Winter (VUB)).
- Catherina Wilson (UL): ‘Connecting in times of duress: Shaping Urbanity in Central African Republic (CAR)’ (supervisor: Mirjam de Bruijn (UL)).

### *Grants*

The following fellows of this program were successful in obtaining grants:

- Elise van Nederveen Meerkerk (WUR): ‘Industriousness in an Imperial Economy. Interactions of households’ work patterns, time allocation and consumption in the Netherlands and the Netherlands-Indies, 1815-1940’ (VIDI NWO).
- Anne Winter (VUB): ‘Artiesten of bedelaars? Aanpassingsstrategieën van rondtrekkende entertainers in Brabant (1750-1914)’ (€3720, FWO tijdelijke mandaten, 2012- 2014).
- Manon van der Heijden (UL): ‘Crime and Gender 1600-1900: A Comparative Perspective’ (€ 1.500.000, VICI NWO).

### *Dissertations defended in 2012*

- Nadia Bouras (UL): *Het land van herkomst. Perspectieven op verbondenheid met Marokko, 1960-2010* (supervisor: Marlou Schrover (UL)).
- Jan van de Poel (VUB): *Between participation and representation. Contextual and structural dimensions of the Flemish third world solidarity movement, 1955-2000* (supervisor: Guy Vanthemsche (VUB)).
- Jeroen Puttevils (UA): *The Ascent of Merchants from the Southern Low Countries. From Antwerp to Europe 1480-1585* (supervisors: Peter Stabel (UA) and Oscar Gelderblom (UU)).
- Tycho Walaardt (UL): *Geruisloos inwilligen. Argumentatie en speelruimte in de Nederlandse asielprocedure, 1945-1994* (supervisor: Marlou Schrover (UL)).

## 7. FINANCIAL STATEMENT

### N.W. Posthumus Institute Financial Report 2012 and Budget 2013

<b>Revenues (in € 1000)</b>	<b>Estimated 2012</b>	<b>Realised 2012</b>	<b>Estimated 2013</b>
1. Contributions of participating faculties (DLG)	40	40	40
2. Contributions non-DLG faculties	34	34	34
3. Fees PhD Students	20	26	24
4. Fees ResMA Students	2	8	4
5. <i>Unger van Brero Fund</i> Subsidy for RDC (see 10.)	10	10	10
6. 'Duurzame Geesteswetenschappen' Subsidy for ResMA (8. & 3.)	15	15	15
<b>Total revenues</b>	<b>121</b>	<b>133</b>	<b>127</b>
<b>Expenditure (in € 1000)</b>	<b>Estimated 2012</b>	<b>Realised 2012</b>	<b>Estimated 2013</b>
<b>MANAGEMENT AND ADMINISTRATION</b>			
1. Personell: Scientific Director (compensation)	15,5	15,5	16
2. Personell: Office Manager	19,5	19,5	20
3. Personell: Program Coordinator	25	25	26
4. Expenses Secretariat, General Board, printing & travel costs	1	1,8	2
5. Vergaderingen Bestuur (materieel)	1	1,5	1
6. Education Committee	1	0	1
7. Contingencies	5	0	5
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>63,3</b>	<b>71</b>
<b>TRAINING PROGRAM</b>			
8. NWP Research MA course	10	9,7	10
9. Basic Training: Seminars I + II + Ind.Ass.	5	3	5
10. Basic Training: Research Design Course (RDC)	15	10,1	15
11. Advanced training:			
- PhD Conference (required for 3 <sup>rd</sup> year students): see 14.			
- Masterclasses	4	1,3	4
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>24,1</b>	<b>34</b>
<b>RESEARCH</b>			
12. General expenses program directors	0,5	0,2	0,5
13. Expenses for activities of interuniversity research programs	10	4,3	11,5
14. NWP Annual Conference	8	12,2	10
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>18,5</b>	<b>16,7</b>	<b>22</b>
15. To reserve	0,5	28,9	0
<b>Total expenditure</b>	<b>120,5</b>	<b>133</b>	<b>127</b>

## **Explanation Financial Statement 2012**

This financial statement and budget proposal have been ratified by the General Board of the N.W. Posthumus Institute at its meeting on 12 September 2013.

### *Revenues:*

1. On the basis of DLG/LOGOS agreement of 2010. The DLG-faculties in Posthumus are EUR, RUG, RUN, UL, UU, UvA, VU.
2. Non DLG faculties of the Posthumus Institute are: TUe, UGhent, IISG, SHCL, UA, VUB, WU. Some of these members do not pay fees per student but a higher membership contribution.
3. Fees for PhD students at € 500 per jaar (2 or 3 years).
4. Fees for ResMA students at DLG faculties at € 250 per year (2 years).
5. The contribution of the Unger Van Brero Fund is intended for the organisation of the Research Design Course (RDC) at a foreign university.
6. Contribution for the organisation of Res MA eductional activities. NWP organized in 2012 in total 30 EC of education for ResMA students.

### *Expenditure:*

8. The Research MA course was organized by the NWP program coordinator in cooperation with local coordinators at each of the three universities that organized an NWP ResMA course. They were refunded with € 2.000 coordination costs, and furthermore issued travel expenses and presents to the invited speakers. The three courses were organized by Leiden (Fall 2011), Amsterdam (Spring 2012) and Utrecht (Spring 2012) and again Utrecht (Fall 2012). The teaching load of the invited experts was coordinated with their teaching activities at their home university. The surplus from the subsidy is intended to flow back to the Posthumus research community for the organisation of seminars and workshops and thus also benefit those who taught (see 15).
11. The NWP conference plays an important role in the PhD Training but has been accommodated under Research Activities because all NWP fellows participate (and often present) at the conference.
12. The research programs aim to expand their activities in the near future.
15. The financial reserve is to safeguard continuation of the activities of the Research School, including a reservation for the Conference in 2013 and for an international assessment in 2014.



# **N.W. Posthumus Institute**

**PhD dissertations in 2012**



## **Nadia Bouras**

### ***Het land van herkomst. Perspectieven op verbondenheid met Marokko, 1960-2010***

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The Dutch government played a major role in creating, maintaining and institutionalizing ties of Moroccans in the Netherlands with Morocco. The ties resulted from the way recruitment of guest workers was organized. Dutch authorities assumed that guest worker migration was temporary. Therefore, they subsidized immigrant organizations that encouraged the maintenance of ties with Morocco. Dutch employers were obliged to make social arrangements for the workers they recruited. The employers delegated this task to church based organizations. Later they were transferred to organizations, which were sponsored by local and national authorities. Subsidies were mainly given to non-religious left-wing organizations. The Moroccan government in response subsidized right-wing religious organizations. Moroccan authorities feared that the guest workers might threaten the new, and still rather feeble post-colonial Moroccan regime. The beginning of guest worker migration coincided with Moroccan independence from France. The Moroccan government tried to control potential opposition from Moroccans abroad. After two failed coups (in 1970 and 1972) they clammed down on their citizens abroad. In Morocco and elsewhere opponents were arrested and transported to secret prisons in Morocco. Only much later the political interest of the Moroccan regime, was replaced by an economic interest.

Ties differed according to age, gender, and class. The first, younger Moroccan guest workers were very much oriented towards Dutch society. They partly lived as boarders with Dutch families. They did not have the time, or the money to go to Morocco often. In these early days of guest worker migration, phoning family members in Morocco on a weekly basis was not even doable. The somewhat older, married guest workers send money to their wives and children, or parents. Contacts changed when wives and children moved to the Netherlands, parents died, and communication and travel became cheaper and easier. There were differences between women according to class, origin (countryside or city), family composition, and skill. Lower skilled women from the countryside, and with children in the Netherlands had less need for maintaining ties with relatives in Morocco. Higher skilled women, from Moroccans towns and without children had more need, and opportunities to keep in touch with relatives. Similarly there were differences between men and women. In 1980s many Moroccan men in the Netherlands lost their jobs, because the kind of work for which they had been recruited disappeared permanently due to technological changes and economic crisis. They tried to compensate status loss and fill free hours by joining Moroccan organizations in the Netherlands. They spent their days in the mosque, while they still tried to live up to demands from family members in Morocco. While the contacts of Moroccan men with Dutch society diminished, those of women increased, among others because

they got to know other people via the schools of their children. Furthermore, after the men became unemployed, the labor market participation of women increased. They did maintain ties with country of origin, and did send money and gifts to family members, but sooner than men they drew a line when (distant) family members seemed to sponge on their income. From the 1990s onwards, at family visits to Morocco they started to show off not only their new gained wealth but also emphasized their Dutchness; they dressed differently, brought Dutch food stuff and addressed their children in Dutch. The visit became more like a holiday than forebode of return.

Ties with the country of origin cannot be studied by looking at one point in time only. Ties changed because of developments in the country of origin, in the country of settlement and in other countries, but also because of changes in the lives of migrants. Technological changes affected the ties.



## Pit Dehing

### **Geld in Amsterdam. Wisselbank en wisselkoersen, 1650-1725**

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The Amsterdam Bank of Exchange (*Amsterdamse Wisselbank*) was founded in 1609 by the city's council in an effort to move the organisation of money transfers away from private markets and bring it under the control of the city. The city imposed extra regulations on the market, a deliberate about-turn aimed to concentrate all commercial money transfers in the Bank. It intervened in the conviction that this would change the market and protect it against the monetary excrescences of the turbulent economic growth. These purposeful monetary politics are the subject of the study. Was the Bank of Amsterdam indeed a suitable instrument to tackle the main monetary problems, and what was the effect of the Bank's operations?

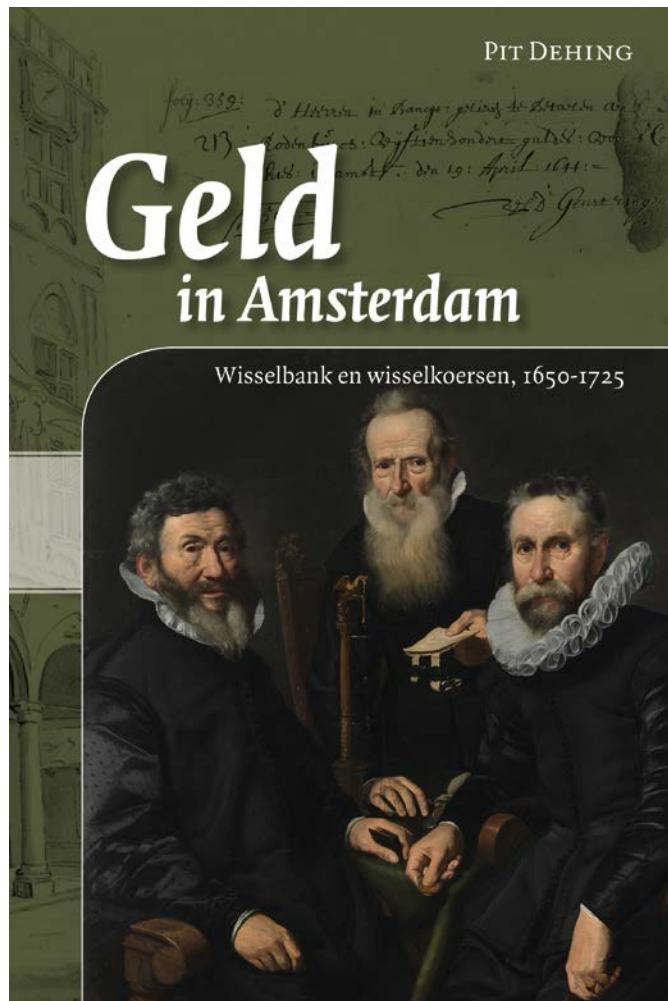
By centralising payment services in the Bank, banning cashiers, and some additional regulations, the city tried to reduce the monetary insecurity of merchants. When necessary, these merchants were to be able to transfer money quickly and cheaply, deposit coin in and withdraw high quality coin from the Bank. And, principally, their bank deposits had to be protected from the threat of currency depreciation. A stable value in terms of silver, that was the Bank's original commission, and that was exactly what the merchants could expect from it.

The Bank turned out to be a fitting way to exert monetary influence. In times of change, it had at its disposal suitable instruments like the 1683 money option with its hedging construction. The Bank was an adequate mediator for the realisation of the set goals. Its institutional design was a cast iron one, and the policy goals were clear to everyone: maintaining the intrinsic and external value of the money deposited there and putting in place an effective system of money transfers. The Bank operated in a small open economy with hazy monetary relations, a money supply that was difficult to control, vague definitions about what money was, variable mint par rates, freely fluctuating exchange rates, substantial capital flows and a formal export ban for gold and silver outside the provincial mints. By way of the Bank, the city council focused consciously on regulating the local money supply and improving supervision of international money transactions. It made optimal use of the room to manoeuvre its mandate and neutralise currency risks for its account holders.

The Bank was obviously not only the profit-loving champion of open market politics. It was certainly also a champion in terms of value stability. It contributed importantly to respectable market relations and to the solidity and stability of the entire financial system. On the market, the hedging construction of a money-option introduced in 1683 changed the market and gave the Bank a well-nigh unassailable

competitive position, and with its centralised and active currency management it earned a lot of money from acting as a premium hunter and always ending as the winner. The longer the bank was active, the more its provision of direct services evolved, bringing monetary stability, reputable market relations and elastic liquidity.

The Bank provided an adequate solution for what was in its core a stubborn problem: the permanent pressure on monetary stability and the continuous conflicts about preventing the real debasement of money. Ultimately, the Bank curbed the instability of bank money, and thus of the monetary system, without affecting the basic function of that system, i.e. the supply of money. The council of Amsterdam gained and kept a grip on the financial community, increasing confidence in the Bank. As a bastion against monetary disruption, this faith in the Bank revealed itself as an evolutionary beast, that required innovation and adaptation for its long-term development and growth.



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***'It is therefore both in the German and in the Dutch interest...' Dutch-German relations after the Great War. Interwoven economies and political détente, 1918-1931***

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On the eve of the First World War, the importance of the Netherlands as a trading partner and especially as a transit port to Germany caused the German High Command to decide not to invade its neutral neighbour. The economic importance of a neutral Netherlands simply was too great. But how great? And what does the term 'interwoven economies', used in the title, actually entail? How did it influence political relations in the interwar period? Those are the most important questions that are dealt with in this dissertation, questions that until now have received only meagre attention.

The most important outcomes of this research are that the Netherlands was in fact part of a transnational economic region, which had at its heart the German Ruhr area. The Dutch supplied the Ruhr population with foodstuffs, and was – together with the United Kingdom – the most important customer of this region's industrial output. The Dutch seaports – especially Rotterdam – and Dutch Rhine barges and railways supplied the Ruhr with raw materials while also functioning as the main route for Ruhr exports. This pattern is further confirmed by an analysis of transport flows. These not only show the central role of the Ruhr area in the German economy as a whole, but also indicate that the relation between the Ruhr area and the port of Rotterdam can best be described as that of a production centre with a distribution centre.

Instead of decreasing due to the economic difficulties of Germany, after the war this mutual economic dependence intensified. The German Mark suffered inflation and depreciation, and Germany had to pay enormous sums in reparation to the Entente. The fact that the German economy was ailing threatened to have disastrous consequences for the Dutch economy, leading both the Dutch government and Dutch bankers to do everything they could to help the economic recovery of their neighbour. Before long, the Dutch became the most important financier of German trade and industry, as Amsterdam became the primary international financial centre of continental Europe. Dutch investments in Germany – and vice versa – took on unprecedented proportions.

Rather than weakening the economic bonds, the German defeat and the following economic crisis in Germany caused these bonds to intensify to an exceptional degree. It is therefore not surprising, that these economic ties dominated the political relations between the two countries. As long as trade went smoothly, the political relations were unwrinkled. As the Germans tried to direct traffic towards their own ports on the North Sea, however, and as German trade policy became

increasingly protectionist to protect its agricultural sector, the second half of the 1920s brought increasing tension. Well aware of their importance as financier to German industry, the Dutch unsuccessfully tried to use this position as leverage. Their only effective means of applying pressure turned out to be a mass boycott of German products. For German industry, the importance of the Dutch market was such that they were now able to successfully lobby for the Dutch interests – and theirs – in Berlin. However, by then it was 1930, and the next year the crisis hit Germany so hard that trade – and all other economic ties – would shrink to a minimum.

**Michel Geertse*****Defining the universal city. The International Federation for Housing and Town Planning and transnational planning dialogue, 1913-1945***

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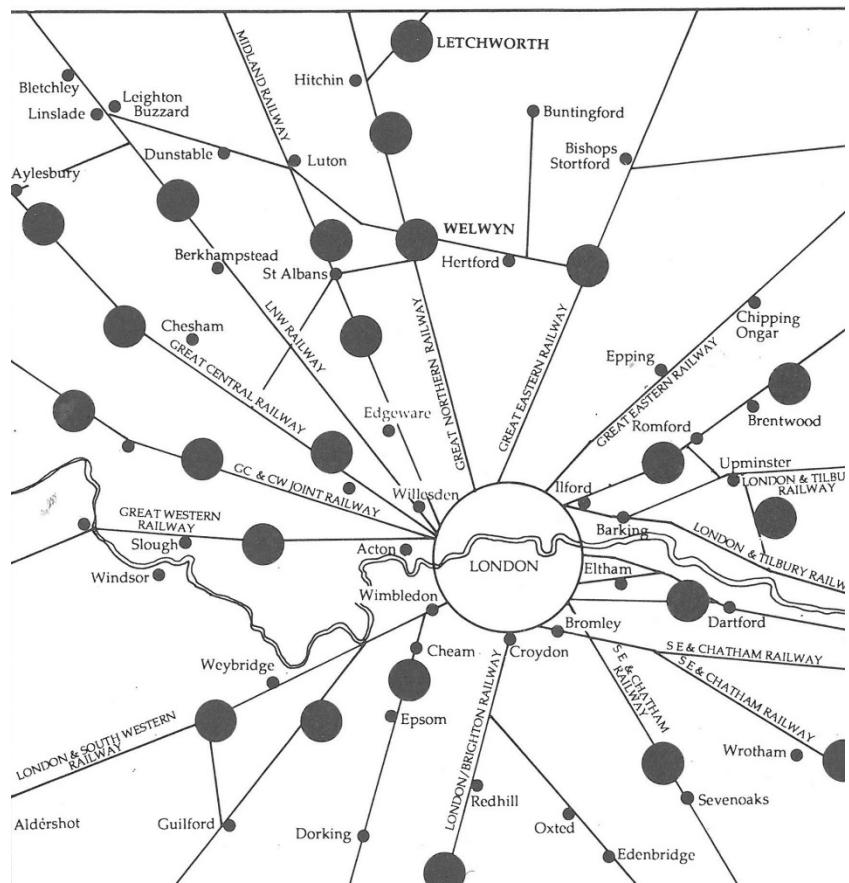
This research analyses transnational town planning dialogue in the first half of the twentieth century. Modern town planning of the twentieth century is often labeled as international town planning. Ideas and experiences were exchanged, imitated and innovated upon. This research argues that twentieth century planning history cannot be conceived as a comparative history of ideas by insisting on agency of pioneering planners and their key projects and publications. The existence of an intricate network society of modern planners, embodied in international organizations, congresses, exhibitions, periodicals et cetera was an essential feature of modern town planning. Pierre-Yves Saunier has dubbed this international planning society the 'Urban Internationale.' This Urban Internationale was not a neutral infrastructure for the transnational trade of planning concepts and experiences. The structure and substance of this network society left a prominent mark on transnational planning dialogue. Transnational trade through these network structures was affected by mechanisms of in- and exclusion and fierce competition between the constituents populating the Urban Internationale. Although we know a lot about the Urban Internationale as a whole, we still know relatively little about its single constituents or who actually participated.

By using the International Federation for Housing and Town planning (IFHTP) as a case study, this research has analyzed how the Urban Internationale performed at the level of a single network organization. During this period the IFHTP matured into one of the foremost platforms in the Urban Internationale. The IFHTP organized annual congresses that eventually attracted audiences of more than a thousand registered delegates from all parts of the world. The development of this organization, its activities and agenda falls into step with the turbulent development of the modern town planning profession and international and transnational cooperation in the same period. This research has reconstructed the performance of the IFHTP in the period 1913-1945 by analyzing (changes in) membership (who were the members, what were their affiliations, what was their agenda), international organization and power distribution, neighboring relations with rivaling international organizations, (inter)national context for town planning and transnational cooperation, activities (congresses, publications, exhibitions et cetera) and the agenda of the IFHTP. Of course, the research not just regarded single factors, but also the reciprocity between these factors. The research clearly demonstrates that the congress agenda of the IFHTP was not just informed by planning pioneers and their latest achievements. To a large extent this conference agenda was dictated by the agenda of the members (and potential new members), general context (pressing planning issues and political realities) and what rivaling organizations

were doing. Vice versa, the conference agenda of the IFHTP could and sometimes did influence its membership, general context or the performance of rivals.

## SATELLITE TOWNS ROUND LONDON

A Diagram showing how it could be done



*Regional decentralization scheme for London, prepared by C.B. Purdom and presented at the international conference of the IFHTP in London in 1920 (Source: Garden Cities and Town Planning Magazine 10 (1920) 93-107).*

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***Staat, leger en ondernemers in de Oostenrijkse Nederlanden. De centralisering van de militaire organisatie en het beheer van de militaire bevoorradingsscontracten***

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Traditional explanatory models of the European state formation process emphasise the diminishing importance of private enterprise in the management of the resources for warfare. From the middle of the seventeenth century most European states saw the emergence of centralised bureaucracies that managed, controlled and organised the supply of various goods and services to the armed forces. Nevertheless states continued to rely heavily on the private enterprisers to perform various logistical and financial tasks. In this dissertation the mutual influence of the evolution towards more state intervention in the military organisation and the continued reliance on private enterprise will be examined. In what context did the state increase its control over the day to day running of the armies? What roll was reserved for private entrepreneurs and how did they interact with the central royal administrations?

**Ton de Graaf**

***Voor handel en Maatschappij. Geschiedenis van de Nederlandsche Handel-Maatschappij, 1824-1964***

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Nederlandsche Handel-Maatschappij (Netherlands Trading Society) or NHM was founded in The Hague in 1824 on the initiative of King William I. The king's object was to resuscitate the national economy in the wake of the period of French rule (1795-1813). NHM was an import/export company set up to expand existing trade relations and open up new channels.

Through its close ties with the Dutch government, NHM played a major role in developing trade between the Netherlands and the Dutch East Indies. From 1826 onwards its activities in the East Indies were coordinated by the branch in Batavia (Jakarta). In 1830 the Dutch Governor Johannes van den Bosch introduced the so-called Cultivation System under which the native population was compelled to pay taxation in kind (chiefly coffee, sugar and tea). NHM acted as state banker, merchant and shipping agent. It sold and shipped the products the Dutch Government obtained through the Cultivation System.

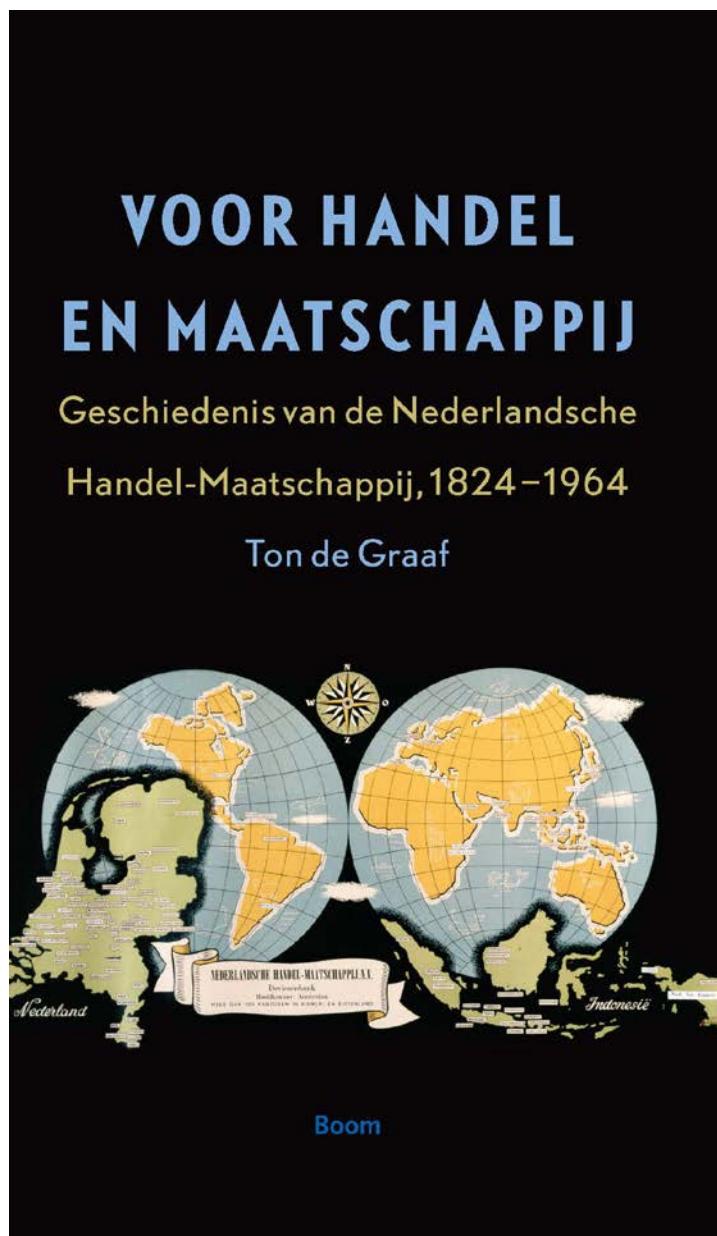
After 1830 when the Netherlands and Belgium became separate states, NHM also provided risk and loan capital to industrial enterprises. In 1850 NHM began to finance companies operating plantations in the Dutch East Indies. NHM even owned a number of plantations itself. In the Dutch colony of Surinam NHM had from 1866 on an interest in cultivation companies, most famous of which was Marienburg.

At this time the company had not yet developed into a bank in the present sense. But the advent of a less protectionist policy on the East Indies and the gradual abolition of the Cultivation System forced the bank to turn its attention towards banking. The ban on trading in bills and securities was lifted in 1874 and Batavia embarked in 1882 on business such as credits, time deposits and securities orders. In 1902 banking business was started in the Netherlands itself.

The issue of banknotes was another activity NHM was involved in during its history. Faced with the precarious financial and economic situation in Shanghai where it had opened a branch in 1903, and with the absence of a Chinese central bank, NHM put so-called Shanghai dollars into circulation. In the 1930s a deep agricultural crisis hit the Dutch East Indies, nearly causing the downfall of Nederlandsche Handel-Maatschappij. The 1934 restructuring of NHM reduced its capital by 75%. Subsequently, NHM had to readjust its position in the Netherlands. For many years the bank only had three Dutch branches. The numerous branches in the Dutch East Indies and the Far East had been the

bank's cornerstones. The branch network in the Netherlands was significantly expanded by the NHM take-over in 1936 of Geldersche Credietvereeniging.

After World War Two, NHM opened a large number of branches, both in the Netherlands and abroad. Its plantations in Indonesia were nationalised in 1959, followed one year later by NHM's banking business in this former Dutch colony. The growing concentration of banking in the Netherlands reached a climax in October 1964 when NHM and Twentsche Bank merged to become Algemene Bank Nederland.



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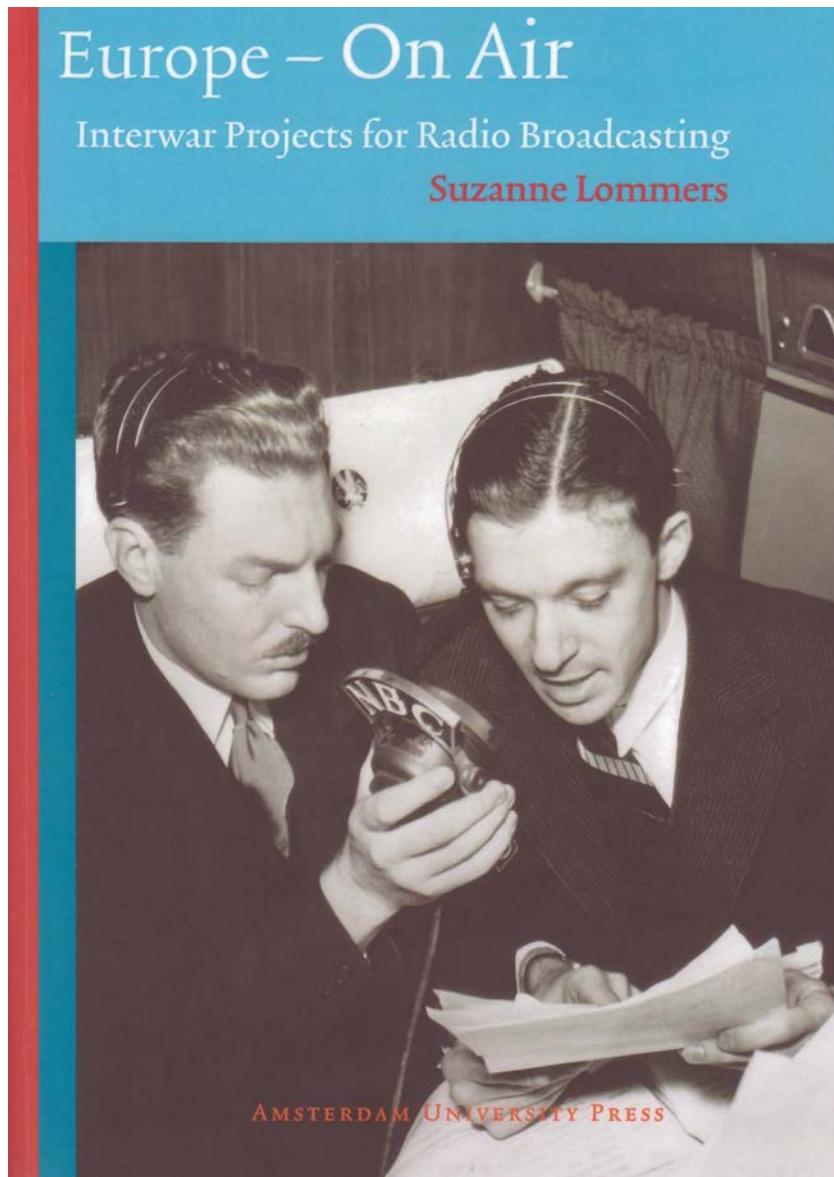
***Europe - On Air: Interwar Projects for Radio Broadcasting***

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Radio broadcasting may seem old-fashioned nowadays, but early radio infrastructures and programs in Europe were the real social media of their time. They laid the foundation for how we experience European unification and global interconnectedness today.



This spirited and timely dissertation takes you on a tour through the early days of broadcasting. Rarely studied sources from international organizations reveal a wide variety of new actors, activities, and debates that jointly shaped broadcasting and society institutions. These stories often remain underexposed in histories of technology, broadcasting, and Europe.

*Europe - On Air* illustrates how people in broadcasting were debating issues ranging from institutionalizing radio to wireless and wired network construction. This book specifically acknowledges how the rivalries were solved between various systems like Radio Luxembourg and the International Broadcasting Union, the attempts to save European civilization amid the chaos of war and peace, and the creation and distribution of truly international programs as early as 1926. The people involved in these transnational broadcasting efforts had some crucial decisions to make in order to actively contribute to European unification.

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***Sex and the City. Servants and the diffusion of fertility control in Flanders (1830-1930)***

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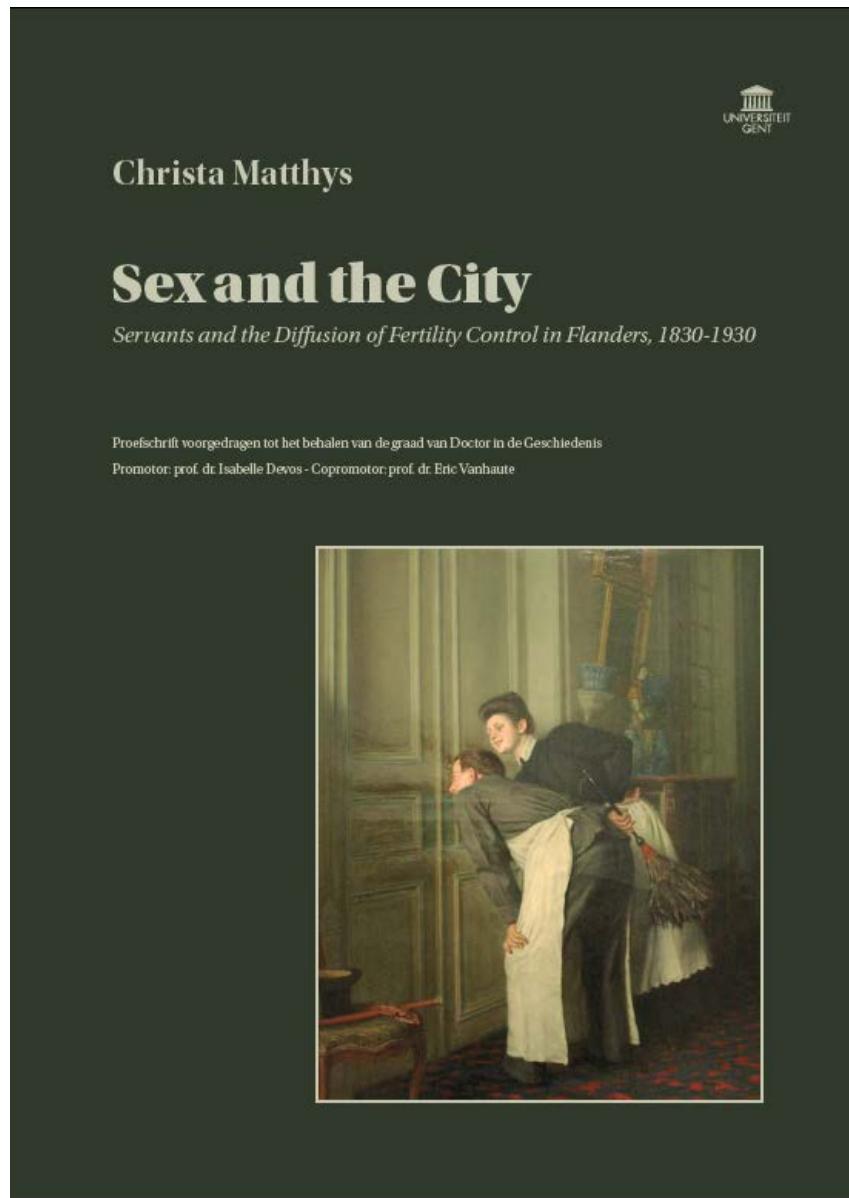
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The European fertility transition was a process of declining fertility that occurred at the end of the 19th century. Couples started to control their fertility within marriage on a large scale. This process took place all over Western Europe, but with important geographical variations. Within Belgium there were significant regional differences: the decline of fertility started already around 1860 in the Wallonia and in the metropolitan areas of Flanders (Antwerp and Ghent). In addition to the existence of regional variation, research has consistently revealed a gap between bourgeois and upper middle-class fertility and that of the lower social strata.

During the last decades, the focus in the literature about the European fertility decline has shifted from macro-analyses aiming to explain the causes of the fertility decline to individual-level research and analysis of fertility diffusion. Diffusion studies argue that the mere contact with an individual or social group was sufficient to alter the norms and behaviours of other persons. Yet, the mechanisms of social interaction were not completely unrelated to socio-economic realities. A model of *embourgeoisement* has been proposed to explain the diffusion of fertility in heterogeneous communities. In his view, the pioneering reproductive behaviour of the local upper classes progressively spread through the rest of the population. Often, a particular group of *cultural intermediaries* functioned as diffusion channels. This research raised the question whether domestic service can be considered as a diffusion channel of fertility control in an *embourgeoisement* type of diffusion. 19th-century domestic servants did have a particular crossroad position in society. Urban domestic service was mainly concentrated in large cities such as Ghent, but servants were usually young and unmarried rural immigrants. Furthermore, most of them came from a working-class background. Servants lived in the household of their employers and were exposed on a daily basis to an attractive life style that was very different from their own.

The central hypothesis was that domestic service affected the use of fertility control within marriage. Former servants were expected to have lower marital fertility than women who did not become an urban servant because they had witnessed the upper-class habits from nearby. This research started from a very different perspective from other studies that have considered the fertility of migrants. The historical study of migrants' fertility has only been performed in a few local case studies, in which the assimilation to the reproductive habits in the place of destination was the central point of interest. My research investigates the impact of domestic service on the subsequent life course. I examine how a core population of urban servants differed from control populations, born under the same

circumstances, but who had never been urban servants (non-servants and rural servants). I used the conceptual framework of life course analysis to structure this research. I studied women born in Assenede and Eine, Heurne, and Mullem around 1830, 1846, 1860 and 1880. The two rural birthplaces belonged to different social agrosystems: communities with distinct land use, occupational structure and demographic regime. The four generations – birth cohorts – were at childbearing age during different stages of the fertility decline. Additionally, a broad range qualitative sources, often neglected in historical demography, were used. These included court records about infanticide and illegal medical practice, medical reports, published interviews, personal documents and administration from upper class family archives.



The central hypothesis of this research was not confirmed by the statistical analysis: urban domestic service did not negatively affect the fertility of women born in Assenede and Eine, Heurne, Mullem between 1830 and 1880. Simple bivariate analyses and qualitative analysis had yet suggested the opposite: servants for example gathered information on birth control in books they found with their employers, in the upper class behavior they witnessed and in their conversations with other servants. The multivariate statistical models nevertheless showed that after controlling for variables referring to place of residence and social background, no significant statistical effect of the urban servant experience on fertility could be determined. However, it was shown that service could function as a gateway towards urban (reproductive) culture. As such, rural-urban servant migration indirectly did affect fertility. Qualitative evidence furthermore revealed that some servants did get information about contraception in the homes of their employers. Another important finding is the difference between the two research populations (Assenede versus Eine, Heurne, Mullem) on various types of reproductive behaviour. The persistence of these differences after migration to the city, are particularly interesting. As such, this research raises new questions and opens new perspectives for research.

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***Between participation and representation. Contextual and structural dimensions of the Flemish third world solidarity movement, 1955-2000***

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This research on the origins and evolution of the third world solidarity movement in Flanders since the late 1950s does not essentially see NGO's for development cooperation as a means of transferring resources to the 'global South' ('third world') but as an exteriorization of a social movement. Our assumption is that NGO's, as social movement organizations, prefigure a societal alternative with ideological, praxeological and organizational implications. The focus in this research is on the organizational aspect. The central question is whether and how NGO's for development cooperation remain a social movement that brings into the practice the principles of participative democracy.

Based on the available literature in the social sciences this research develops the central assumption that democratic governance of NGO's is determined by both contextual and structural dimensions. Contextual dimensions refer to the socio-political structures and actors outside the organization that give them a certain legitimacy, while structural dimensions refer to the relations between different actors inside the organization.

This research, based on 7 carefully selected NGO's (Broederlijk Delen, NCOS-11.11.11, Wereldsolidariteit, fos, Oxfam-Wereldwinkels, Vredeseilanden and Coopibo), demonstrates that NGO's for development cooperation do not mechanically adopt the most formally rational organizational forms. NGO's develop defensive mechanisms that protect them from an exclusive rational-bureaucratic logic. The success of those mechanisms depends on the ways in which NGO's are able to realize an equilibrium between their participative (vis-à-vis members and constituency) and representative (vis-à-vis surrounding socio-politic structures) functions. Moreover this research reveals a number of factors that co-determine this equilibrium: a broad but purposeful and selective relation with the constituency and general public, a cooperative but complementary relation with government and the channeling of the internal organizational conflict in function of the 'genetic code' of the organization.

**Jeroen Puttevils*****The Ascent of Merchants from the Southern Low Countries. From Antwerp to Europe 1480-1585***

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Why and how did merchants operating out of the city of Antwerp gain a growing share of European commerce during the sixteenth century? To what extent was this commercial ascent determined by the economic and institutional development of sixteenth-century Antwerp? These were the major research questions addressed in my PhD-dissertation. This analysis of the sixteenth-century ascent of Low Countries merchants contributes, as a necessary and effective *pars pro toto*, to the current debate on the underlying institutions and mechanisms of commerce which fuelled the economic development of pre-modern Europe.

Firstly, I have analyzed the commercial relations between the Low Countries, the city of Antwerp and European markets. The late medieval and early modern Low Countries constituted a highly urbanized and industrialized region, although with important regional differences. I have shown that industries in these regions supplied Antwerp, the commercial gateway of the region, with products for export to European markets. Indeed, Antwerp merchants were relatively specialized in the export of Low Countries' products which were doing well on European markets at the time. The Low Countries as Antwerp's hinterland also supplied the Scheldt city with migrants, some of whom would become important traders who could rely on strong ties with the industrial hinterland, which they even sought to improve by intervening in production itself. Commercial opportunities were created through Antwerp's transition as a fair market to a permanent market, through contacts with Antwerp's own industry and by the benefits of Antwerp's economies of scale. This resulted in a clear growth of the native merchant population active in Antwerp. Substantial evidence proves that Low Countries merchants were also becoming more numerous in different European commercial cities.

Subsequently, I turned to the skills necessary for Low Countries entrepreneurs to establish themselves as traders. This learning process consisted of school-based training, wherein Antwerp (yet again) offered valuable scale advantages; apprenticeships – either within the framework of (craft) guilds or organized privately between merchant and apprentice (or the apprentice's family) – and processes of life-long learning through the availability of Ars Mercatoria literature which was printed in large numbers in sixteenth-century Antwerp provided Antwerp merchants with the necessary commercial skills. A *sine qua non* for the commercial ascent of Low Countries traders was the financing of their operations. Partnerships were used to raise capital, not only from family and friends, but also from outside investors. Antwerp law foresaw legal guarantees, contract registration and enforcement for these outside investors. Bills obligatory were enforced by

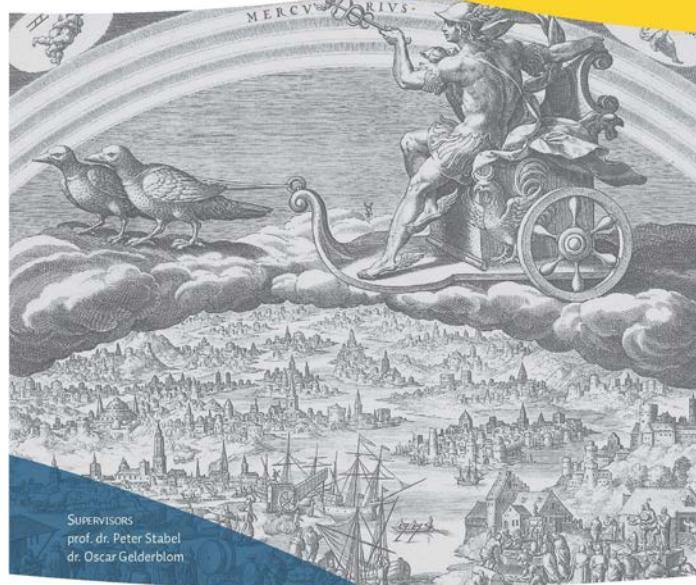
Antwerp urban law and commercial practices allowed it to circulate from one party to another; native merchants in particular, and especially the smaller ones, used such bills to obtain credit to finance their commercial enterprises.

Lastly, I have argued how the institutional environment offered by the Antwerp market and urban institutions affected merchant enterprise. Foreign and native merchants alike could rely on the city courts of law to enforce their transactions in a neutral manner when required to do so. Noteworthy are the conspicuous absence of native merchant guilds in Antwerp and the apparent lack of formal group organization of Low Countries merchants in other European commercial centers. Formal organization of Low Countries merchants was uncommon, despite their growing presence on European markets. Tellingly, Low Countries merchants managed to secure an important share of European commerce, even without the strong support of merchant guilds. Yet, one should not overlook the attempts of native merchant incorporation in sixteenth-century Antwerp, all of which were regarded with suspicion by the city and central governments, which did not wish to risk offending particular groups of foreign merchants; such groups had already received important privileges and held a powerful commercial bargaining position.

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***The fabric of creativity in the Dutch Republic. Painting and publishing as cultural industries, 1580-1800***

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This study traces the changing face of Dutch painting and publishing, from their emergence at the end of the sixteenth century, into an extraordinary expansion during the first half of the seventeenth century, and then through their subsequent stagnation or decline. Previous studies have identified a number of factors that contributed to the escalation of cultural production in the Golden Age, ranging from an emphasis on individual creativity and unique cultural preferences, to market forces and the general commercial infrastructure. This study adds a new explanatory framework in which these factors are combined. Informed by economic geography, it draws attention to the role of local industrial organisation in shaping spatial and temporal patterns of industrial growth and decline.

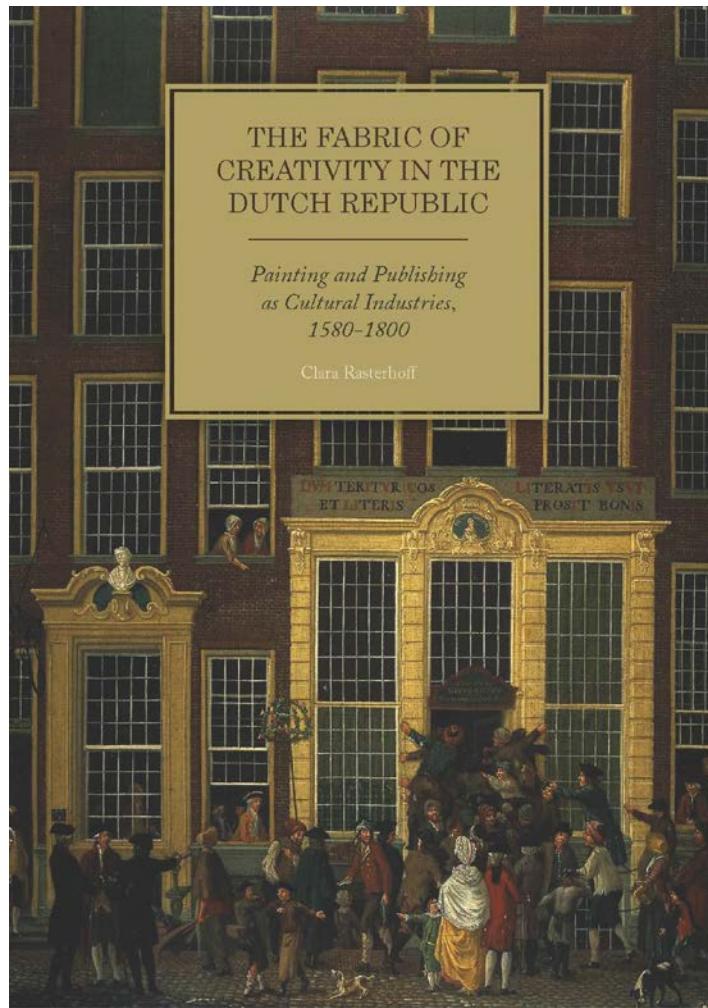
The role of industrial organisation is explored through spatial clustering theory. The analytical framework of clustering hinges on the benefits, so-called localization economies, firms derive from simply being located in close proximity to one another, to important customers, to supporting and related industries, and to institutions. Through path dependent dynamics, these benefits can be reproduced over time. While industrial organisation is an important driver of competitiveness in economic activities in general, it is particularly strong in skill-, knowledge-, and creativity-intensive sectors. Cultural industries are a prime example of this. In this thesis, the sectors of early modern painting and publishing are presented as historical examples of such industries.

The accumulated expertise, the specialised infrastructure, the inter-connections between firms in the same and related industries, as well as the associated institutional, and often locally embedded, changes that were identified, all suggest that early modern Dutch painting and publishing firms benefited from externalities associated with spatial clustering. The intensity and form of clustering turned out to vary between the two industries, between towns, and across the period. The evolution of the sectors strongly resembled that of the stylised industry life cycle. Typically four or five stages are distinguished: dormant, emerging, growth, maturity, and decline/saturation. The stages differ in, for instance, terms of size of the sector, growth rates, type and degree of innovation, character of firms (old/new; large/small), and spatial distribution. The speed at which a local industry or cluster will pass through these stages depends on market conditions and character of the industry. For Dutch cultural industries, critical junctures in the life cycle were identified around 1580, 1610, 1650, 1670, and 1740.

Still, the success of Dutch cultural industries was due to more than just local

dynamics. Although Dutch cultural industries strongly benefitted from clustering, local production systems were also remarkably open. Dutch towns were well integrated through an efficient infrastructure, and local entry barriers were low. The story of the early modern painting and publishing industries points to a distinctive combination of urban openness and local industrial embeddedness. Even if this could not guarantee sustained growth, it certainly contributed to accelerated advancement during the growth phase. The downside of this cluster dynamic was that markets soon came to be exhausted. Just as patterns of growth, innovation, and specialisation were reproduced over time within spatial clusters, so too were the eighteenth century routines that had developed in response to market saturation, until a new shock to the system could disrupt the status quo.

This thesis shows that Dutch book and art producers, and by extension their counterparts in other sectors, did not simply ride the Golden Age wave. The local organisation of production proved to be just as conducive to innovation as the general circumstances. This happy, albeit brief, marriage cleared the way for countless expressions of individual creativity, which continue to baffle historians and visitors of museums all over the world.



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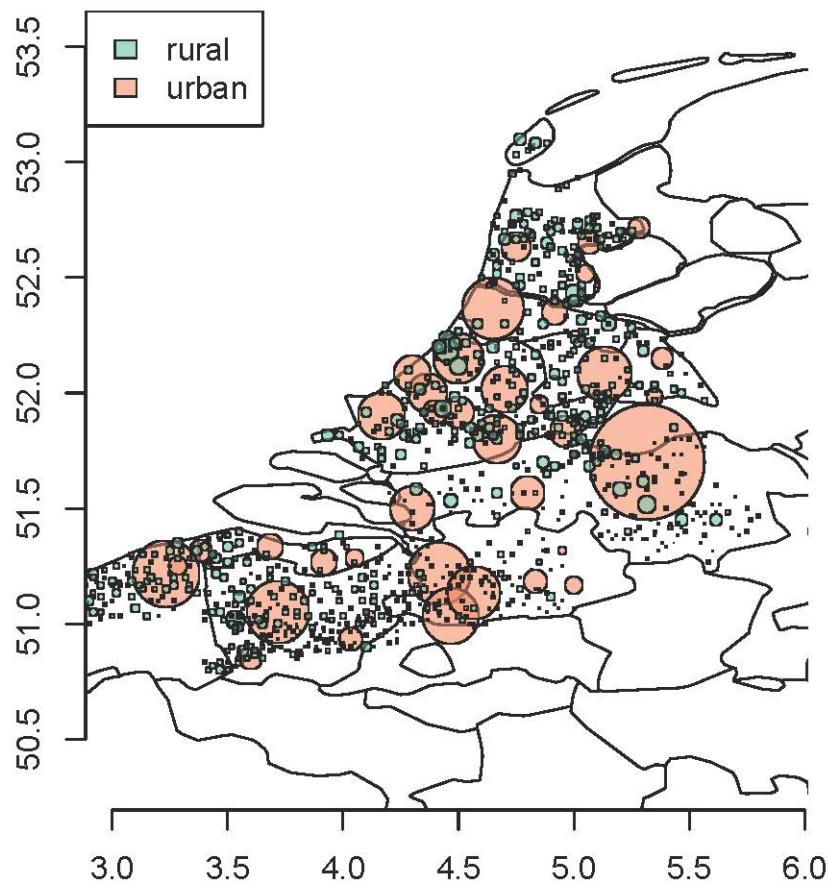
***Funding public services through religious and charitable foundations in the late-medieval Low Countries***

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**Estimates of social spending, c. 1530**



Religious and charitable foundations are often held to have been a substantial presence in pre-industrial societies. One of their key tasks was the funding of public services, specifically social and religious services. This dissertation has tried to explain the regional variation in the extent to which foundations funded these public services. It was first documented that foundations funded their activities through returns on asset ownership, especially land. The religious and charitable sector owned up to forty per cent of the land in regions with weak territorial states and a

strong nobilities. Large-scale asset ownership had economic consequences. High levels of institutional landownership resulted in significant distortions on lease markets for land. However, the ownership of financial instruments by foundations made them only a minor presence on late-medieval financial markets. The religious and charitable sector made modest, though significant contributions to social spending in the late-medieval period. Asset returns, a crucial aspect of the finance of foundations, were unimportant for the funding of education. Religious services were by far the highest priority of foundations. In terms of expenditures on their primary purpose, religious and charitable foundations were efficient organisations, having about as much overhead as present-day charitable and public equivalents. The religious and charitable sector varied in size, reaching between three and fifteen per cent of regional GDP. The sector had grown at an annual rate of circa 0.4 per cent in the late-medieval period to reach this size. This means that as far as their economic weight is concerned, the literature probably overstates the importance of church and charity in the medieval period. The final task of this research was to find out what determined the levels of public service provision. High levels of per capita social spending by religious and charitable foundations were linked to open political systems. Alternative social insurance arrangements and regulation by corporate actors were found to substitute for social spending by foundations. Finally, social and religious services turned out to be complements rather than substitutes – they had grown together, not at the expense of one another.

**Wouter Ryckbosch**

***A consumer revolution under strain. Consumption, wealth and status in eighteenth-century Aalst (Southern Netherlands)***

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In recent decades, the concept of a ‘consumer revolution’ has increasingly come to be seen as a relatively autonomous force, stimulating or even causing commercialisation, economic modernization, and eventual industrialisation in early modern Europe (De Vries 2008). In this sense, the occurrence of a consumer revolution before the industrial revolution has become closely associated with the historiographical tradition of the so-called ‘revolt of the early modernists.’

In this dissertation, I have problematized and qualified this association of consumer change with the ‘optimist’ view on social and economic processes during the seventeenth and eighteenth centuries. This has been approached by means of a case study of Aalst, a provincial town in the Southern Netherlands. There we find, in the material culture included in a large sample of probate inventories, the reflection of profound and widespread changes in consumer behaviour. How should we interpret these changes, when encountered not in the context of the 17<sup>th</sup>-century Golden Age in Holland or the rapid growth of 18<sup>th</sup>-century England, but in the context of Flanders – a region which went through a prolonged period of de-industrialisation, urban decline, and growing poverty in this period?

Such processes of urban decline – in terms of stable or declining levels of household wealth, disappearing urban industry, and rising poverty and economic inequality – do indeed seem to have affected Aalst from the second half of the 17<sup>th</sup> century onwards. Yet at the same time, the economy and society of the town became profoundly commercialized, with market activities not only becoming increasingly important in economic survival, but also as a new means of achieving social and political power. This process culminated in the second half of the 18<sup>th</sup> century, when economic inequality began its upwards ascent, and average household wealth declined considerably.

However, this decline in average household wealth and the deepening of social and economic inequality during this period did not preclude the unprecedented social reach of clocks and mirrors, forks and plates, window curtains and cabinets, and a wide variety of apparel related to the consumption of tea and coffee among ever growing strata of urban society. These widespread changes in consumer behaviour thus appear as relatively detached from the social and economic structures of the society in which they occurred. This suggests that the remarkable occurrence of an early modern ‘consumer revolution’ in the provincial town of Aalst does less to ascribe the town’s economic development with the optimism of the ‘revolt of the early modernists’, than to qualify the socio-economic significance of eighteenth-

century consumer change itself. The contours of this change do not lend themselves easily to an interpretation in terms of the greater opportunity of Aalst households to maximize their consumer utility as a consequence of pre-industrial economic development. Rather, the patterns of consumer change in Aalst suggest a growing value attached to novel, exotic and fashionable goods on the one hand, and an increased concern for self-control, privacy and restraint on the other. Taken together, these consumer changes reflect a broad cultural shift towards the expression of social status and distinction in a realm seemingly detached from the traditional conspicuous ostentation of wealth and aristocratic decorum.

In this context, I have suggested that eighteenth-century consumerism can be thought of as resembling the carnivalesque. In becoming progressively cheaper, more fleeting and increasingly sensitive to fashion, the material culture of home and body in early modern Aalst allowed the emergence of a culture of consumption from which no-one was excluded and in which all seemingly participated on equal footing. For all cultural discourses related to consumerism as the expression of inner sensibilities, nature and respectability, it did not serve any less as a vehicle for distinction and hierarchic legitimation than the conspicuous consumption of the 'old luxury' had done.



Image: Jan Jozef Horemans II, *Het thee-uurtje* (Antwerpen, 18th century).

**Janneke Tump*****Ambachtelijk geschoold. Haarlemse en Rotterdamse ambachtslieden en de circulatie van technische kennis, ca. 1400-1720***

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In this research comes forward that various institutions in Holland did possess instruments by which they could influence the circumstances in which technical knowledge circulated, but they hardly used them. Although in the legislation of the guilds always stipulations were added on the apprenticeship, we can conclude that these were not increasingly used to make entrance to the guild for strangers more difficult. The legislation of the guilds was also not directly used to promote the circulation of knowledge. In the guilds of the coopers the number of new masters, journeymen and apprentices was more influenced by market forces than by a change in the entrance or registration fees. In some cases a guild council tried to influence the knowledge circulation, but this right was hardly used. On many topics never stipulations were drawn up, such as how a master should transfer his craft or which tuition fee he could ask from his apprentice. The guilds did not make stipulations to stop the sale of tools or subcontracting. They also had little to no role as initiators of learning contracts.

These learning contracts were mostly an instrument of the guardians/parents, the masters, the local orphanages and institutions for the poor. The fast majority of these agreements were made verbally. So, when a master and the parents (or guardians) of an apprentice made up a notary contract, they did not want to risk a cancelation of their agreements. The fact that they went to the notary means that both sides did not believe in the regulating role of the guild. Also the board members of orphanages and poor institutions used the learning contract as an instrument for 'their children'.

Furthermore, this research has revealed interesting aspects of the contents of a craft education. A craft education was more than just the transfer from master to apprentice. A master could learn certain skills from a journeyman and a journeyman did not have to be less skilled than his employer. In the examined guilds a system of subcontracting existed in the seventeenth century. This could possibly have led to knowledge circulation. Sometimes masters even made products for others by which the boarders of the city were crossed.

An important factor which enabled craftsmen to amplify their knowledge outside the sphere of influence of the guild was literacy. Particularly in the seventeenth century the possibilities of gaining written knowledge increased. Learning how to read, write, count (and draw) could be a smart investment when someone wanted to start his own workshop. In the course of the seventeenth century even a new

marketing technique developed by which a broader consumer group could be attracted, by means of advertising in newspapers.

We can conclude that in the chosen period the most influential institute was the shop floor where apprentices, journeymen and in some cases also masters worked together to gain enough income. By means of formal and informal codetermination the master could influence the new legislation of his guild. Masters made their own agreements with apprentices and journeymen about the learning or working period, the fees, the transferred skills and other aspects of knowledge circulation. They were always free to decide which person they wanted to employ. The guilds did not influence this by means of their legislation. The circulation of knowledge was not just a simple story in which information was only transferred from master to apprentice on the shop floor. A craft education involves a wide range of opportunities to acquire new knowledge. This education lasted an entire carrier and did not end when the formal apprenticeship of the guild was over.



Tycho Walaardt

***Geruisloos inwilligen. Argumentatie en speelruimte in de Nederlandse asielprocedure, 1945-1994***

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For sixty years already, the 1951 Geneva Refugee Convention offers tools to assess cases of asylum seekers. Using this Convention it is believed to be possible to distinguish asylum seekers, who deserved a refugee status, from those who did not (and therefore should have left the Netherlands). Key elements of the Refugee Convention are 'well-founded fear of persecution' and the *non-refoulement* principle, which forbade extraditing asylum seekers to a country where they could be exposed to persecution. This thesis shows that the tools the Geneva Convention offered were not very helpful and led to endless debates. Those who pleaded in favour of asylum seekers argued that the applicants were credible and met all the criteria of the Convention, while those who opposed admission argued that they were unreliable and did not fear persecution.



The leading question of this thesis is how and why, in the post-war period, genuine refugees were distinguished from non-genuine ones, and who played a role in doing so. To answer this question, I analysed hundreds of policy files and 497 individual case files of asylum seekers compiled by the Ministry of Justice. These case files contain letters, assessments and memos of civil servants, and letters of individuals. Especially from the late 1970s onwards – when procedure started to last for years – friends, classmates of the children, neighbours and relatives (and many others!) began to appear. Personal encounters with an asylum seeker, in a church, on a bench in a public park or in school, resulted in friendships and letters in case files. Personification was a favoured and frequently successful strategy: detailed stories described the horrible plights of individual asylum seekers and the fate that awaited them when they returned. Throughout this period, actors succeeded in altering the outcomes of asylum requests. Another result of this thesis is that characteristics of the asylum seeker proved influential: Christians from Turkey were allowed to stay, because they were Christians. The anticomunists from behind the Iron Curtain received help, because there was a common enemy.

In the public and scholarly debate it is stressed that asylum policies and asylum law is best described by focussing on changes. Subsequently, scholars focus on watersheds and politicians and policy makers warned about a forthcoming crisis. Scholars who have studied the success rate of asylum seekers argued that a lack of fear of persecution, a lack of credibility and the fear of a precedent were the most common reasons why asylum seekers did not get a refugee status. The main contribution of this thesis is that those three arguments were indeed used all the time, but seldom proved decisive. In the period 1945-1994, there was a *gap* between strict asylum policies and a reality in which many asylum seekers were admitted on other grounds. This thesis reveals that Dutch civil servants had room to manoeuvre when they assessed cases of asylum seekers. The *gap* was filled with arguments that were acceptable to all of those who were involved in the asylum procedure. This *gap* can be best explained by the impossibility to implement the Convention and strict asylum policies. Over 70 per cent of the cases files that were studied resulted ultimately in a residence permit for the applicant. Case files showed a variety of successful humanitarian arguments. Asylum seekers were vulnerable, sympathetic, traumatized, and sick, or waited for many years in the Netherlands, as a result of which they were integrated and westernized. The second solution was stressing certain (personal) characteristics of an asylum seeker: a single woman, a Christian or a homosexual for whom it was unsafe to return to the country of origin or a skilled and useful labourer. Such pleas were larded with references to the past, when the Dutch ‘still warmly welcomed refugees’, and to the Bible, which instructed people to offer a safe place to strangers in need.

In the period 1945-1994, the Netherlands proved to be a hospitable country, albeit not voluntary. The authorities met most asylum seekers with suspicion and continuously stressed that most of them were bogus refugees, ‘economic refugees’ and ‘fortune hunters’. However, implementing rejections was difficult. Public actions forced authorities to reconsider the case. Although the social, religious and

economic backgrounds of those who sought asylum varied, it is remarkable how similar civil servants dealt with asylum seekers. If asylum cases dragged on for years, officials found the solution in silently giving in. The space to manoeuvre of individual civil servants offered a way out.

## **APPENDICES**

### **APPENDIX 1: ORGANISATION OF THE N.W. POSTHUMUS INSTITUTE**

#### **GENERAL BOARD**

Major decisions of the N.W. Posthumus Institute are taken by a General Board, consisting of the holders of chairs in economic and social history at the participating institutions. The board meets two to three times a year. The daily affairs of NWP are in the hands of an Executive Committee and a scientific director supported by an office manager. The training program and research programs are headed by respectively an education program director and research program directors. The ultimate responsibility for research activities lies within the faculties and institutions that participate in the NWP. An examination committee and an education committee see to the quality of the students and teaching affairs of NWP. Every six years there is an assessment of the quality of research and education by external peers.

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Research: Challenging Monopolies, Building Global Empires in the Early Modern period: serving the East and the West – strategies in imperial career paths within the VOC and the WIC

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Research: Foreign investment and colonial economic growth in Indonesia

**Catherina Wilson**

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Research: Connecting in times of duress: Shaping Urbanity in Central African Republic (CAR)

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**Seminar I (My project in a nutshell):** 17-18 December 2012, Brussels, Belgium

Cohort: 2012

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Cohort: 2011

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**APPENDIX 3: CONTRIBUTORS TO THE 2012 POSTHUMUS CONFERENCE, 24-25  
May 2012, Het Scheepvaartmuseum, Amsterdam**

**Key note Lecture:**

Patrick Manning (University of Pittsburgh)

*Global History and Migration History: Interacting Trajectories, on Land and Sea*

**Plenary Introduction:**

Joost Schokkenbroek (Het Scheepvaartmuseum)

*Bridging Two Worlds. Het Scheepvaartmuseum and Research*

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Klàra Paardenkooper (EUR)

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Simone Steenbeek (RUG)

Joost Veenstra (RUG)

Lies Vervaet (UGent)

Robert Vonk (VU)

Abdul Wahid (UU)

*Research Papers*

Economy and Society of the Pre-industrial Low Countries

Bruno Blondé and Dries Lyna (UA)

Claartje Rasterhoff (EUR)

Gerrit Verhoeven (UA)

Drivers and Carriers of Globalisation

Hanne Cottyn (UGent)

Hein Kleemann and Joep Schenk (EUR)

Vincent Lagendijk (UL)

People, Space and Places in History

Piet van Cruyningen (WUR)

Kees Kuiken (RUG)

Karin Lurvink (VU)

Eline Van Onacker and Maïka De Keyzer (UA)  
Life-course, Family and Labour  
Lotte Vikström (Umea University, Sweden)  
Social History of Communities  
Idesbald Goddeeris (KULeuven)  
Miguel Laborda-Pemán and Tine De Moor (UU)  
Maarten Prak (UU)  
Milja Van Tielhof (Huygens ING)  
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Sarah Carmichael (UU)  
Julie De Groot (UA)  
Sofie De Veirman (UGent)  
Wouter Marchand (RUG)  
Kim Overlaet (UA)  
Iva Pesa (UL)  
Isis Sturtewagen (UA)  
Danielle Teeuwen (IISG)  
Nina Van den Driessche (UGent)  
Lindsey Vandevoorde (UGent)  
Eline Van Onackers (UA)  
Vicky Vanruysseveldt (VUB)  
Rik Vercammen (VUB)  
Pim de Zwart (IISG)

#### *PhD Papers, expert-referees*

Rossana Barragan (IISG)  
Karel Davids (VU)  
Tine De Moor (UU)  
Isabelle Devos (UGent)  
Ferry de Goey (EUR)  
David Henley (UL)

Joost Jonker (UU)  
Gerry van Klinken (KITLV)  
Erika Kuijpers (UL)  
Bas van Leeuwen (UU)  
Clé Lesger (UvA)  
Toine Pieters (VUMC/UU)  
Remco Raben (UU)  
Keetie Sluyterman (UU)  
Johan de Vries  
Alexis Wilkin (VUB)

*Research Papers, ResMA referees*  
Annemijn Bouwman (UvA)  
Jeannette Kamp (VU)  
Tim Kooijmans (UvA)  
Rick Lautenbach (VU)  
Daan Loeff (UL)  
Liesbeth Rosen Jacobson (UL)  
Sebas Rümke (VU)  
Bernard Slaa (RUG)

*Research Papers, expert-referees*  
Diederick Klein Kranenburg (UL)  
Maarten Prak (UU)  
Peter Tammes (UL)

## **APPENDIX 4: NWP MASTERCLASSES 2012**

### **Historical Time-Series Analysis**

26-27 April 2012

University of Groningen

Lecturer: dr. Jan Jacobs (RUG)

Organisation: Joost Veenstra

### **Methodology: Internal and measurement validity**

15 May 2012

Erasmus University Rotterdam

Lecturer: prof.dr. Tony Hak (EUR)

Organisation: Ben Wubs and Joep Schenk

### **Researching and Writing Transnational History**

25 September 2012

Erasmus University Rotterdam

Lecturer: prof.dr. Johan W. Schot (TUE) and dr. Erik van der Vleuten (TUE)

Organisation: Ruud Geven

### **Markets, households and gender on the medieval and early modern countryside**

8 November 2012

Ghent University

Lecturer: dr. Jane Whittle (University of Exeter, Great Britain)

Organisation: Lies Vervaet

### **FRESH Meeting in Groningen**

8-9 November 2012

University of Groningen

Lecturer / Key note speaker: Nick Crafts (University of Warwick, Great Britain)

Organisation: Nikita Bos and Rick Hölsgens

## **APPENDIX 5: GRANTED RESEARCH DIPLOMAS BASIC TRAINING IN 2012**

Karen Arijs

Vrije Universiteit Brussel

Supervisor: Prof.dr. P. Scholliers

Research project: Scars of History? The Cultural Construction of Cross-Border Dutch and Belgian Limburg in the 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> Centuries: Courses, Intercourses, and Discourses

Inneke Baatsen

University of Antwerp

Supervisors: Prof.dr. B. Blondé and Prof.dr. B. De Munck

Research project: 'Economies of quality' en de materiële renaissance. De vergeten consumptierevolutie van de Lage Landen in de 'Lange Zestiende Eeuw'

Nikita Bos

University of Groningen

Supervisor: Prof.dr. H.J. de Jong

Research project: Post-war reconstruction in Europe and the United States

Katalin Buzási

Utrecht University

Supervisor: Prof.dr. J. L. van Zanden

Research project: The balance sheet of colonization

Sarah Carmichael

Utrecht University

Supervisor: Prof.dr. J.L. van Zanden

Research project: Marriage and Power: Female Agency explored through marriage patterns

Nina Van den Driessche

Ghent University

Supervisor: Prof.dr. B. Van de Putte

Research project: De modernisatie van de westerse wereld. Een internationaal historische comparatiefonderzoek naar huwelijkspartnerkeuze (1800-1914)

Julie De Groot

University of Antwerp

Supervisors: Prof.dr. B. Blondé and prof.dr. B. de Munck

Research project: 'Economies of quality' en de materiële renaissance. De vergeten consumptierevolutie van de Lage Landen in de 'Lange Zestiende Eeuw'

Wouter Marchand  
University of Groningen  
Supervisors: Prof.dr. M.G.J. Duijvendak and dr. R.F.J. Paping  
Research project: 200 years of student grant and its contribution to social mobility

Maaike Messelink  
Radboud University Nijmegen  
Supervisors: Prof. dr Th.L.M. Engelen and prof. dr P.M.M. Klep  
Research project: Too young to die. Excess female mortality at young ages in the Netherlands, 1850-1930

Eline Van Onacker  
University of Antwerp  
Supervisor: Prof.dr. T. Soens  
Research project: Local elites in a changing society – the Campine Area during the 13<sup>th</sup> – 16<sup>th</sup> centuries

Kim Overlaet  
University of Antwerp  
Supervisor: Prof.dr. P. Stabel  
Research project: Heirs, Kinship Ties and Urban Associations. City dwellers and their networks in the 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> century Mechelen.

Iva Pesa  
Leiden University  
Supervisors: Prof.dr. R. Ros and dr. J.B. Gewald  
Research project: From mpwembu to roadside village – A social history of Mwinilunga district (Northwest Zambia) 1870s-1970s

Aniek Smit  
Leiden University  
Supervisor: Prof.dr. L.A.C.J. Lucassen  
Research project: “Not all gin and tonics by the pool”: on the role of western and non-western expats as agents of globalisation in the cities of The Hague and Jakarta, 1850-2010

Isis Sturtewagen  
University of Antwerp  
Supervisors: Prof.dr. B. Blondé and Prof.dr. B. De Munck  
Research project: ‘Economies of quality’ en de materiële renaissance. De vergeten consumptierevolutie van de Lage Landen in de ‘Lange Zestiende Eeuw’

Danielle Teeuwen  
Universiteit Utrecht/IISG  
Supervisor: Prof.dr. L. Heerma van Voss  
Research project: A golden age of collections. Voluntary giving and civil society in the Dutch Republic, 1550-1820

Vicky Vanruysseveldt  
Vrije Universiteit Brussel  
Supervisor: Prof.dr. A. Winter  
Research project: Rondtrekkende artiesten in de 18e en 19e eeuw.

Sofie De Veirman  
Ghent University  
Supervisor: Prof.dr. I. Devos  
Research project: Breaking the silence. On the cultural, formal and social integration of the hearing impaired. The case of East-Flanders, 1750-1900

Botho Verbist  
University of Antwerp  
Supervisor: Prof.dr. P. Stabel  
Research project: Micro-economic analysis of the textile trade around 1500 in Bruges and Antwerp: the double-entry account ledgers of Wouter Ameide (1498-1507)

Rik Vercammen  
Vrije Universiteit Brussel  
Supervisor: Prof.dr. C. Lis  
Research project: Levenslopen aan de rafelrand: “bedelaars” en “landlopers” in Belgische Rijksweldadigheidskolonies, 1890-1910

Pim de Zwart  
International Institute of Social History  
Supervisor: Prof.dr. J. L. van Zanden  
Research project: Living standards and market integration 1600-1800: new evidence from the VOC archives

## **GRANTED RESEARCH CERTIFICATES ADVANCED TRAINING IN 2012**

Marten Boon

Erasmus University Rotterdam

Supervisors: prof.dr. H.A.M. Kleemann and dr. B. Wubs

Research project: Opting for Oil. Rotterdam's oil harbour and the move from coal to petrochemical feedstock of the Rhine industry, 1945- 1970.

Annelies De Bie

Antwerpen University

Supervisors: prof.dr. B. De Munck and dr. J. Hanus

Research project: Human capital from a household: knowledge investments in early modern Antwerp, Ghent, Lier and Aalst.

Klàra Paardenkooper

Erasmus University Rotterdam

Supervisors: prof.dr. H.A.M. Kleemann and dr. B. Wubs

Research project: The Box and Rotterdam's New Hinterland. The Rise of Container Transport and Globalisation 1970-2000.

Wouter Ronsijn

Ghent University

Supervisor: prof.dr. E. Vanhaute

Title dissertation (25-05-2011): Commerce and the countryside. The role of urban weekly markets in Flemish rural society, 1750-1900.

## APPENDIX 6: PHD CANDIDATES SINCE 1 JANUARY 2000

<b>PhD candidate</b>		<b>Supervisor(s)</b>	<b>Dissertation date</b>
<b>2000</b>			
C. Antunes	F	Prof.dr. R. Griffiths	18-11-2004
B. Ballaux	M	Prof.dr. B. Blondé	28-04-2006
S. van den Bergh	M	Prof.dr. P. Kooij, prof.dr. J.A.J. Vervloet	13-09-2004
B. Bouwens	M	Prof.dr. J.L. van Zanden	05-06-2003
M. van Dijck	M	Prof.dr. L. van Molle, prof.dr. E. Buyst	05-07-2004
C. Helderman	M	Prof.dr. P.Th. van de Laar	stopped
E. Karel	M	Prof.dr. P. Kooij	24-03-2005
T. Poell	M	Prof.dr. M. Prak, prof.dr. J.L. van Zanden	06-09-2007
M. Schoonheim	F	Prof.dr. P.M.M. Klep	11-05-2005
<b>2001</b>			
N.K.C.A. Bracke	F	Prof.dr. E. Vanhaute	01-06-2004
G.A.G. Castryck	M	Prof.dr. L. François	07-07-2006
R.D. Futselaar	M	Prof.dr. J.C.M. Blom	01-02-2007
M. van Gelder	F	Prof.dr. L. Noordegraaf	31-10-2007
J.A. Schueler	F	Prof.dr. J.W. Schot	24-06-2008
A. van Son	F	Prof.dr. J.C.H. Blom	stopped 2003
F. Suurenbroek	M	Prof.dr. C.A. Davids	14-12-2006
W.J. Timmermans	M	Prof.dr. P.M.M. Klep	stopped 2001
B.E.M. Widdershoven	F	Prof.dr. K.F.E. Veraghtert, dr. M.C. 't Hart	04-11-2005
B. Wubs	M	Prof.dr. G.G. Jones	23-03-2006
<b>2002</b>			
F.H.R. de Cocker	M	Prof.dr. E. Vanhaute	stopped
J. van Daele	F	Prof.dr. H. Balthazar	15-02-2007
P. Földvari	M	Prof.dr. J.L. van Zanden	29-03-2006
B. van Leeuwen	M	Prof.dr. J.L. van Zanden, prof.dr. W. van Schendel, prof.dr. A.F. Heerma van Voss	14-06-2007
E.J.V. van Nederveen Meerkerk	F	Prof.dr. J. Lucassen	30-03-2007
L.L.L. van Nieuwenhuyse	F	Prof.dr. E. Thoen	16-07-2008
M.M.C.M. Saelemaekers	F	Prof.dr. J.L. van Zanden	stopped 2003
E. Swart	M	Prof.dr. H. van Nierop	13-09-2006
G. Vercauteren	M	Prof.dr. P. Pasture	16-02-2005
G. Vermeesch	F	Prof.dr. H. van Nierop	13-09-2006
M. van der Woude	F	Prof.dr. A.F. Heerma van Voss	stopped 2005
C.J. Zuijderduijn	M	Prof.dr. J.L. van Zanden	09-03-2007
<b>2003</b>			
N. van der Bijl	M	Prof.dr. H.W. Hoen	06-9-2007
G.H. de Boer	M	Prof.dr. J. Vervloet, prof.dr. E. Thoen	stopped 2006
S. Bouwens	F	Prof.dr. A. Knotter	10-12-2008

P.L.R. de Cauwer	M	Prof.dr. H. van Nierop	02-05-2007
I.I.B. van Damme	M	Prof.dr. B. Blondé	30-05-2006
M. van Dekken	F	Prof.dr. A.F. Heerma van Voss	18-11-2009
M. Hülsken	F	Prof.dr. P.M.M. Klep, prof.dr. S.A. Levie	02-09-2010
A.J.J. Lehouck	M	Prof.dr. J. Vervloet, prof.dr. E. Thoen	
M.J.J. van Os	M	Prof.dr. J.L. van Zanden	13-11-2008
N.E. Vanslembrouck	F	Prof.dr. J. Vervloet, prof.dr. E. Thoen	stopped
R. Westerholt	F	Prof.dr. P. Kooij	stopped 2007
G.K. Westerhuis	F	Prof.dr. J.L. van Zanden	16-04-2008
A. Winter	F	Prof.dr. H. Soly	27-03-2007
S. Zeischka	M	Prof.dr. C.A. Davids	15-05-2007
<b>2004</b>			
L.M. van Aert	F	Prof.dr. B. Blondé	21-05-2007
Chr.J. van Bochove	M	Prof.dr. A.F. Heerma van Voss	01-02-2008
S. Ciobica	F	Prof.dr. J.W. Schot	stopped 2004
M. van Dijck	M	Prof.dr. B. Blondé	20-02-2007
J.E.C. Dijkman	F	Prof.dr. J.L. van Zanden, prof.dr. B. van Bavel	18-06-2010
E.H.P. Frankema	M	Prof.dr. H.H. van Ark	06-03-2008
D.W.A.G. van den Heuvel	F	Prof.dr. A.F. Heerma van Voss	23-11-2007
L.J. Keunen	M	Prof.dr. J.A.J. Vervloet	
V.C. Lagendijk	M	Prof.dr. J.W. Schot	30-09-2008
J.J. van Lottum	M	Prof.dr. A.F. Heerma van Voss	23-11-2007
F. Schipper	M	Prof.dr. J.W. Schot	30-09-2008
A.C.M. Tijsseling	F	Prof.dr. A.F. Heerma van Voss	23-12-2009
R.W. Vermoesen	M	Prof.dr. B. Blondé	24-10-2008
<b>2005</b>			
B. Delbroek	M	Prof.dr. P. Scholliers	30-09-2011
T. de Graaf	M	Prof.dr. J.L. van Zanden	21-09-2012
A.J. Marks	M	Prof.dr. J.L. van Zanden	06-03-2009
D.M. Oude Nijhuis	M	Prof.dr. R.T. Griffiths	03-11-2009
M. Serruys	M	Prof.dr. F.S. Gaastra	
<b>2006</b>			
J.-F. J. Abbeloos	M	Prof.dr. E. Vanhaute	
M.A. Geertse	M	Prof.dr. J.E. Bosma, prof.dr. C.A. Davids	07-11-2012
S.G.J. Hoste	M	Prof.dr. E. Vanhaute	
V.J.U. De Laet	F	Prof.dr. B. Blondé	03-09-2009
S.S.H.A. Langeweg	M	Prof.dr. A. Knotter	15-12-2011
S.B. Lommers	F	Prof.dr. J.W. Schot	23-05-2012
D.B.G.W. Lyna	M	Prof.dr. B. Blondé	27-04-2010
D.A. Pargas	M	Prof.dr. P.C. Emmer	12-03-2009
L.N.L. Roels	F	Prof.dr. A. Knotter	
P. Vervust	F	Prof.dr. E. Vanhaute	08-09-2010
R. Visschers	M	Dr. A. Schuurman	stopped
M.L.T. Witte	M	Prof.dr. E. Frankema, dr. A. Schuurman	

<b>2007 cohort 1</b>			
N. Bouras	F	Prof.dr. M.L.J.C. Schrover	27-11-2012
E. Burm	F	Prof.dr. B. De Munck	
J. Euwe	M	Prof.dr. H.A.M. Kleemann	21-12-2012
S. Haasnoot	F	Prof.dr. P. Kooij	
J. Hanus	M	Prof.dr. B. Blondé	05-05-2010
F. Joustra	M	Prof.dr. M. Duijvendak	
S. Kruizinga	M	Prof.dr. L. Noordegraaf / Dr. M.C. 't Hart	16-09-2011
C.J. Laarman	F	Prof.dr. M.L.J.C. Schrover	27-06-2013
M. Lak	M	Prof.dr. H.A.M. Kleemann	08-12-2011
J.K. De Meester	M	Prof.dr. B. De Munck	
M. Molema	M	Prof.dr. C.A. Davids	22-11-2010
E.M.L.D. Ortmanns	F	Prof.dr. B. De Munck	
L.O. Petram	M	Prof.dr. L. Noordegraaf	28-01-2011
W. De Ridder	M	Prof.dr. P. Scholliers	08-05-2011
T. Walaardt	M	Prof.dr. M.L.J.C. Schrover	24-04-2012
<b>2007 cohort 2</b>			
T. Bisschops	M	Prof.dr. P. Stabel	
A. Brantegem	F	Prof.dr. A. Winter	
A. Dirks	F	Prof.dr. W. van den Doel	23-06-2011
H.R. de Haas	M	Prof.dr. L. Hacquebord	
S. van Houtven	F	Prof.dr. A. Winter	stopped
F. Hertroys	F	Prof.dr. C.A. Davids	
G. Klein Goldewijk	F	Prof.dr. P.A.J. Attema	
S. De Langhe	F	Prof.dr. I. Devos	21-03-2013
C. Matthys	F	Prof.dr. I.Devos, prof.dr. E. Vanhaute	05-01-2012
G.A. Mathys	F	Dr. B. Lecocq	
J. van der Poel	M	Prof.dr. G. Vanthemsche	
C. Rasterhoff	F	Prof.dr. M. Prak	05-09-2012
M. Ratliff	F	Dr. W.M. Jongman	
A. Rijpma	M	Prof.dr. B.J.P. van Bavel	21-05-2012
W. Ronisijn	M	Prof.dr. E. Vanhaute	25-05-2011
W. Ryckbosch	M	Prof.dr. B. Blondé	26-09-2012
E. Walhout	F	Prof.dr. A.J.A. Bijsterveld	
<b>2008</b>			
Y.I. Aalders	F	Prof.dr. L. Hacquebord	
A. De Bondt	F	Prof.dr. K. Verboven	
P. Brandon	M	Prof.dr. L. Noordegraaf, dr. M.C. 't Hart	16-01-2013
A. Coenen	F	Prof.dr. B. Blondé	17-05-2013
M. Cuypers	M	Prof.dr. A. Knotter	
E. Decraene	F	Prof.dr. B. De Munck	
T. De Doncker	M	Prof.dr. A.L. Van Bruaene	05-09-2013
K.J. Fatah Black	M	Prof.dr. G. Oostindie, dr. H. den Heijer	
Th. Goossens	M	Prof.dr. G. Vermeesch	26-10-2012
U.I Gustafsson	M	Prof.dr. L. Hacquebord	
R. De Kerf	M	Prof.dr. B. De Munck	

D.J. Klein Kranenburg	M	Prof.dr. W. Willems, prof.dr. L. Lucassen	
F. Kruse	F	Prof.dr. L. Hacquebord	
M. Mechant	F	Prof.dr. I. Devos	
K. Melis	F	Prof.dr. M. Duijvendak, dr. P.D. Groote	20-06-2013
J.H.A. Mercelis	M	Prof.dr. J. Art, prof.dr. C. Verbruggen	21-05-2013
M. Messelink	F	Prof.dr. P. Klep, prof.dr. T. Engelen	
H. Provoost	F	Prof.dr. A. WIinter	
J. Puttevils	M	Prof.dr. P. Stael, dr. O. Gelderblom	05-11-2012
T. De Roo	M	Prof.dr. B. Blondé, dr. I. Van Damme	
M. van Rossum	M	Prof.dr. C.A. Davids, prof.dr. J. Lucassen	
V. Van Roy	M	Prof.dr. B. De Munck, prof.dr. R. van Hee	
J. Tump	F	Prof.dr. C.A. Davids, prof.dr. K. Goudriaan	05-10-2012
P. Woltjer	M	Prof.dr. H.J. de Jong	
<b>2009</b>			
J. López Arnaut	M	Prof.dr. H.J. de Jong	
A. De Bie	F	Prof.dr. B. De Munck	
M. Boon	M	Prof.dr. H. A.M. Kleemann, dr. B. Wubs	
H. D. Cottyn	F	Prof.dr. E. Vanhaute	
F. Fakih	M	Dr. J. Th. Lindblad	
R. Geven	M	Prof.dr. E. Homburg	
M. De Keyzer	F	Prof.dr. T. Soens	
J.J. Koopmans	M	Prof.dr. M.G.J. Duijvendak, dr. J.W. Veluwenkamp	
S. Matsuno	F	Prof.dr. J.E.K. Bosma	
H.M. Paardenkooper	M	Prof.dr. H.A.M. Kleemann, dr. B. Wubs	
V.T. Pham	M	Dr. J.Th. Lindblad	
H.D. Pieters	M	Prof.dr. P.J.E.M. van Dam	
J. Schenk	M	Prof.dr. H.A.M. Kleemann, dr. B. Wubs	
S. Steenbeek	F	Prof.dr. L. Hacquebord, dr. J.W. Veluwenkamp	
W.N.A. Vanacker	M	Prof.dr. K. Verboven	
J. Veenstra	M	Prof.dr. H.J. de Jong	
L.G.P. Vervaet	F	Prof.dr. E. Thoen	
R.A.A. Vonk	M	Prof.dr. E.S. Houwaart	10-09-2013
A. Wahid	M	Prof.dr. J. L. van Zanden	
<b>2010</b>			
K. Arijs	F	Prof.dr. P. Scholliers	
I.G.P. Baatsen	F	Prof.dr. B. Blondé, prof.dr. B. de Munck	
N.E.S. Bos	F	Prof.dr. H.J. de Jong	
K. Buzási	F	Prof.dr. J. L. van Zanden	
S.G. Carmichael	F	Prof.dr. J.L. van Zanden	
N. Van den Driessche	F	Prof.dr. B. Van de Putte	
J. De Groot	F	Prof.dr. B. Blondé, prof.dr. B. de Munck	
W.J. Marchand	F	Prof.dr. M.G.J. Duijvendak, dr. R.F.J. Paping	
E.V.P. Van Onacker	F	Prof.dr. T. Soens	
K. Overlaet	F	Prof.dr. P. Stabel	

I. Pesa	F	Prof.dr. R. Ross, dr. J.B. Gewald	
A.X. Smit	F	Prof.dr.L.A.C.J. Lucassen	
I.R. Steevens	F	Dr. F.R.R. Vermeylen	stopped
I. Sturtewagen	F	Prof.dr. B. Blondé, prof.dr. B. de Munck	
N.M. Teeuwen	F	Prof.dr. L. Heerma van Voss	
L.M.C. Vandevorde	F	Prof.dr. K. Verboven	
V. Vanruysseveldt	F	Prof.dr. A. Winter	
S. De Veirman	F	Prof.dr. I. Devos	
B. Verbist	M	Prof.dr. P. Stabel	
R. Vercammen	M	Prof.dr. C. Lis	
P. de Zwart	M	Prof.dr. J. L. van Zanden	
<b>2011</b>			
L. De Strooper	F	Prof.dr. A. Klamer	
N. De Vijlder	M	Prof.dr. M. Limberger	
A. Dekker	F	Prof.dr J.W. Renders	
S. Dilli	F	prof.dr. J.L. van Zanden, prof.dr. J. Kok	
H. Harmsen	F	Prof.dr.H. Klemann, dr. D. van Lente	
W. Heijveld	M	Prof.dr. H. Klemann	
Y. Hilevych	F	Prof. dr.T. Engelen, dr. H. Bras	
H. Kole	F	Prof.dr. M. Prak, prof.dr. P.E.J.M. van Dam, dr. M. van Tielhof	
D. Koppenol	M	Prof. dr. H. Klemann	
M. Laborda Pemán	M	Prof.dr. T. De Moor	
A. Ligvoet	M	Prof.dr. M.G.J. Duijvendak, dr. R.F.J.Paping, A.H.M. de Baets	
K. Lurvink	F	Prof.dr. K. Davids, dr. W.Verstegen	
M. Malinowski	M	Prof.dr. J.L. van Zanden	
B. Mönkediek	M	Prof.dr. J.Kok, dr. H. Bras	
O. Ongena	F	Prof.dr.E. Vanhaute, prof.dr. D. Luyten	
P. Rotering	M	Prof.dr. J.Kok, dr. H. Bras	
H. Sanders	M	Prof.dr.J. Lucassen	
R. Satter	M	Prof.dr. T. Engelen. prof.dr.J. Kok	
R. Schalk	M	Prof.dr.L. Dorsman, dr. O. Gelderblom	
N. van den Boomen	F	Prof.dr. T. Engelen, dr. A. Janssens, prof.dr. J. Kok	
L. van der Vleuten	F	Prof.dr. J. Kok, prof.dr. J.L. van Zanden	
F. Van Roosbroeck	M	Prof.dr.T. Soens, Prof.dr. B. De Munck	
J. Versieren	M	Prof.dr. B. De Munck, prof.dr. B. Blondé	
X. Xu	M	Prof.dr. H.J. den Heijer, dr. J.T. Lindblad	
<b>2012</b>			
M. Bekker	F	Dr. M.P.C. van der Heijden	stopped 2013
A.A.B.M. Coppens	M	Prof.dr. A.Winter, prof.dr. H. Greefs	
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