

PERSONAL INFORMATION



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WORK EXPERIENCE

2017- **Advisor, academic**

Visiting research fellow at the University of Oxford on cybersecurity and digital transformation, Department of Politics & International Relations, Centre for Technology and Global Affairs, Centre for Technology and Global Affairs.

Senior Adviser European Policy Centre, Brussels, thinktank.

Strategic support to EIT Health on Big Data and Health (European Institute of Technology Knowledge and Innovation Community) for a series of high-level round tables (Brussels, Oxford University, Stockholm Karolinska).

Joint work with and contributions to European Commission, Berkeley University Haas Business School USA, Florence School of Regulation, Oxford University, Canadian and Dutch governments.

Lecturing a.o. at IESE Business School, George Washington University, Vienna Fachhochschule. Contributions as keynote speaker and moderator including at eHealth Summit (Investment) Tallinn Oct 2017, Medfit Strasbourg June 2018, European Association of Hospital Managers, Cascais Sept 2018, Atomium AI Summit Nov 2018, EIT Health Summit Lodz Dec 2018.

Expert advice and consultancy:

- Digital technology and policy; digital health (transformation and investment), cybersecurity, smart cities, data, business models
- Member Scientific Committee Atomium/European Commission Next-Generation Internet (2017)
- Board Member Digital Enlightenment Forum
- Member data & ethics advisory group led by Oxford University, OII (2017).

2010-2016 **Director European Commission DG CNECT, Digital Society, Trust & Cybersecurity**

- **Policy** development for: cybersecurity, digital privacy, e-ID/e-signatures, e-government, e-health & active ageing, smart cities, smart energy, smart mobility, with e-inclusion until 2012; contribution to policy for free flow of data, cloud, IoT, supercomputing, energy, self-driving cars, security, European Innovation Partnerships on Active & Healthy Ageing, Smart Cities & Communities.
- **Legislation**, resulting in Directives/Regulations/Decisions for: Network and Information Security (cybersecurity), e-Privacy, eIDAS, Connecting Europe Facility/Telecom, ENISA, AAL, with web-accessibility until 2012; including negotiations with European Parliament and Council.
- **R&I management**: co-chair Programme Committee of Member States for three large parts of Horizon 2020: health, security and social sciences/innovation.
- **European and International cooperation**: advisor to EU governments (national, regional), negotiations with China (cyber, digital R&I), Japan (cyber, ageing R&I), USA (various).
- **Inter-DG cooperation**: close joint work with EEAS, and DGs HOME, JUST, GROW, MOVE, ENER, SANTE, EMPL, TRADE, DIGIT, RTD as well as JRC, FISMA, ENV, CLIMA, REGIO, SG, SJ, BUDG.
- **Budget and HR management**: responsible for 150 staff, €2.5 billion for R&I in Horizon 2020, €700 million for deployment in CEF/Digital Infrastructures, €60 million for operations in ENISA agency.
- **Other**: member Commission's Regulatory Scrutiny Board (interim); board member ENISA and INEA agencies, CERT-EU, EIT KIC Health; co-chair Smart Grids Taskforce; co-chair e-Health Stakeholders Group; co-initiator and co-chair EC Public Administration Quality & Innovation group.

2003-2010 **Head of Unit e-Inclusion (2006-2010) and e-Government (2003-2006)**

European Commission, DG INFSO

- Policy development; R&I programme management
 - International cooperation
 - HR and budget management
- 2008-2009 **European Union Research Fellow**
UNC Chapel Hill, USA (political sciences & sociology) and European Commission
- Research project on relationship legislation - innovation
 - Study sociology of ageing
- 2001-2003 **Member of Cabinet European Commission Erkki Liikanen**
European Commission, political advisor on:
- Telecommunications directives and information society policy as core portfolio
 - Social and employment policy as liaison portfolio
- 1991-2001 **Deputy Head of Unit / Head of Sector Electronic Commerce (1996-2001); Assistant to Director (1994-1996); Project Officer (1991-1994)**
European Commission, DG ENTR and DG INFSO
- Policy development; R&I programme management; R&I project management
 - International cooperation
 - HR and budget management
- 1993-2017 **Professor (incl. visiting), lecturer, trainer**
Information Economy professor at UBI Brussels, visiting professor at Athens University of Business, Wirtschafts-universität Wien, Portugal Catholic University, lecturer at IESE, INSEAD, Erasmus, Boston University, FUNDP Namur, ENPC Paris, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill; Fellow Salzburg Seminar on e-Governance in the Third Millennium. Teacher at the European Commission in Delegation and Coaching. Invited by Harvard to lecture a full summer course on e-business.
- 1984-1991 **Business development manager office automation software**
Philips Data Systems, Netherlands
- Manager development department
 - Systems architecture, international standardisation in X/OPEN
- 1981-1985 **CEO and co-founder Preon, office automation software/hardware**
Preon, Nijmegen, Netherlands
- 1980-1984 **Assistant Professor Theoretical Physics**
University of Nijmegen, Netherlands

EDUCATION AND TRAINING

- 2014 **Executive Education Cybersecurity**
Harvard Kennedy School of Government, USA
- 2009 **Sociology of Ageing**
University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, USA
- 1998 **Master in Business Administration (MBA with distinction)**
Warwick Business School, UK
- 1987 **Computer Science Degree**
Philips company education
- 1985 **PhD Theoretical Physics**
University of Nijmegen, Dept High Energy Physics, NL (nucleon-antinucleon interaction)
- 1980 **Master in Physics (cum laude)**
University of Nijmegen, NL
- 1974 **Gymnasium B (First of Year)**

1985-2016 St Thomascollege, Venlo, NL
Management trainings

In-company such as strategy, policy development, senior management, negotiation, teambuilding, coaching & delegation, TED presentation competence.

PERSONAL SKILLS

Mother tongue(s)
 Other language(s)

	UNDERSTANDING		SPEAKING		WRITING
	Listening	Reading	Spoken interaction	Spoken production	
Dutch					
English	C2	C2	C2	C2	C2
German	C2	C2	C1	C1	B2
French	C2	C2	C1	C1	B1

Levels: A1/A2: Basic user - B1/B2: Independent user - C1/C2 Proficient user
[Common European Framework of Reference for Languages](#)

Communication skills Excellent executive level communication and public presentation skills.

Organisational / managerial skills Senior Management, see above.

Digital competence

SELF-ASSESSMENT				
Information processing	Communication	Content creation	Safety	Problem solving
Proficient user	Proficient user	Proficient user	Independent user	Proficient user

Levels: Basic user - Independent user - Proficient user
[Digital competences - Self-assessment grid](#)

Driving licence B

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Awards: these include 1974 First of Year, 1980 Master Cum Laude, 1998 Master With Distinction, 1998 EC concours, 2008 conference best article award, 2008 EU Fellowship Award, 2017 AAATE Diamond for Outstanding Work in Advancing Assistive Technology in Europe.

Editorial board member: International Journal of Electronic Markets (guest editor for issue on Inclusive ICT Business), International Journal of Business Models, and (past) Electronic Commerce Review, International Journal of Logistics and Information Management, and World Market Research Reports.

Conferences: organiser of some 15 conferences including several ministerial conferences. Presenter and moderator at numerous conferences.

Publications: 4 books amongst which one of the worldwide most cited works on business models (together with the related article in IJEM about 4800 citations, used at top schools such as Harvard, MIT), 90 academic and other publications.

Hobbies: travelling, hiking, cycling, reading, gardening.

Other: Secretary Orde van den Prince, St-Genesius Rode-Beersel, Belgium; team member and organiser International Marriage Encounter Europe.

ANNEXES

- List of publications can be provided at request.
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