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### **Personal information**

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### **Academic and other qualifications**

LL.M. Degree, Leiden University, the Netherlands (1969)  
LL.M. Degree, University of Virginia, USA (1971)  
Visiting Scholar, Yale Law School, USA (1973)  
Ph.D. Degree, Leiden University, the Netherlands (1981)

### **Main professional activities**

- Senior lecturer in comparative and constitutional law, Leiden University, 1969-1970, 1971-1974, 1976-1978
- Visiting lecturer in law (comparative and constitutional law), University of Ghana, 1974-1976
- Research associate of the Ghana Law Reform Commission, 1974-1976
- Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Legal and Social Affairs Division, The Hague, 1979-1981
- Professor of Law (international and constitutional law), Maastricht University, the Netherlands, 1982-1998  
(1984-1986, Dean of the Faculty of Law)  
(1986-1991, 1994-1996, Head of the International and European Law Department)  
(1991-1993, Chairman of the Board of Directors, Research Institute, Faculty of Law)  
(1992-1998, Co-director of the Maastricht University Research Centre for Human Rights)
- Professor of Human Rights and Director of the Netherlands Institute of Human Rights (SIM) and the Netherlands School of Human Rights

Research (participating institutes: Faculties of Law of Utrecht University, Leiden University, Maastricht University, Tilburg University, Erasmus University (Rotterdam), Faculty of Humanities of Utrecht University and the T.M.C. Asser Institute for International Law (The Hague) (1998-present)

### **Other professional activities**

Currently:

- member of the United Nations Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women (CEDAW)
- member of the Human Rights Committee of the Advisory Council on International Affairs of the Netherlands Government
- member of the Advisory Board of the International Service for Human Rights (ISHR — Geneva)
- member of the Advisory Board of the Centre on Housing Rights and Evictions (COHRE — Geneva)
- member of the Board of the Netherlands Helsinki Committee (NHC)
- member of the Advisory Board of the Foundation for Health and Human Rights, the Netherlands
- member of the Board of Africa Legal Aid (AFLA), Maastricht, the Netherlands
- member of the Editorial Board of the Netherlands Human Rights Quarterly
- member of the Advisory Board of the Human Rights Quarterly (USA)
- member of the Advisory Board of the Maastricht Journal of European and Comparative Law
- member of the Advisory Board of the African Human Rights Law Journal

Past (not exhaustive):

- alternate member of the United Nations Subcommission on Prevention of Discrimination and Protection of Minority Rights (1986-1991)
- chairman of the Advisory Committee on Human Rights and Foreign Policy of the Netherlands (1992-1998)
- head of the Delegation of the Kingdom of the Netherlands to the 49th and 50th session of the United Nations Commission on Human Rights (1993 and 1994) and the Second United Nations World Conference on Human Rights (1993)
- vice-chairman of the 49th session of the United Nations Commission on Human Rights (1993)
- Special Adviser to the Delegation of the Kingdom of the Netherlands to the United Nations Commission on the Status of Women (1996-1999); negotiator in the Working Group on the Elaboration of a Draft Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women
- member of the Advisory Council on International Affairs of the Netherlands and chairman of its Human Rights Committee (1997-2002)

- member of the Editorial Board of the Nederlands Tijdschrift voor de Rechten van de Mens (Netherlands Journal of Human Rights) (1982-1990)
- member of the Editorial Board of the Netherlands International Law Review (1981-2003)

### **Memberships**

Member of (not exhaustive):

- American Society of International Law
- International Law Association
- Netherlands Association of International Law
- Netherlands Association of European Law
- co-founder in 1974 of the Dutch Section of the International Commission of Jurists
- African Society for International and Comparative Law
- Netherlands Association for Gender and Law

### **Publications**

Publications in the field of comparative constitutional and administrative law, international law, law of international organizations and national, European and international human rights law.