

CURRICULUM VITAE

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My specialty lies in the analysis of armed conflicts, including applying my own lucid definitions of terrorism, banditry and rebellion. My expertise makes me suitable as researcher, lecturer, policymaker, mediator and/or lobbyist on issues like terrorism, democratisation, human rights and migration. My qualities – thoroughness, commitment and self-reliance – are best realised in a small organisation or in a team in a large organisation.

Education

- 2005 - present Partially funded external PhD research ‘Ways to Rebel: Testing a theory of Brutalisation on the Chechen and Albanian insurgents 1979-2001’.
- 1988 - 1997 Political Science (International Relations) at Leiden University, Netherlands. MA thesis ‘Fragile peace in Macedonia: Interethnic tensions, attempts at conflict resolution, and prospects of armed conflict’. Prof. Alex Schmid, 20/10/1997: “high-quality work”.
- 1993 ERASMUS certificate at Århus University, Denmark. Prof. Mette Skak, 4/03/1994: “*scientific contribution*” paper ‘Separatist versus Centrist forces in the USSR, 1988-1991: Baltic and Transcaucasian cases’.
- 1987 - 1988 International Baccalaureate (IB) degree, A. Thijm College, Netherlands.
- 1985 - 1987 High School & 1st year IB at American High School, São Paulo, Brazil.
- 1980 - 1985 Secondary and higher scientific education (VWO) at ‘Werkplaats Kindergemeenschap’, Bilthoven & ‘Herman Jordan Lyceum’, Zeist.

Work experience

- 2011 - present Analyst, advisor, editor, illustrator (e.g. <http://dezielvanleiden.nl>), and translator of manuscripts. E.g. translation of Hans TenDam, *Initiation in Everyday Life* Utrecht: Tasso Publishers, 2014 (www.tassoutgeverij.nl).
- 2010 - present Secretary & co-founder of Association for the Study of EthnoGeoPolitics (EGP). Since 2013 executive editor of the journal *Forum of EthnoGeoPolitics* (see www.ethnogeopolitics.org).
- 2004 - 2013 Author study materials Joho Company Leiden for 1st, 2nd and 3rd year BA, on e.g. human rights and Dutch state law in 2004-2006, criminology and economics in 2012, and political science in 2013.

- 2007 Tutorial assistant for 1st year BA module ‘Social and Cultural Contours of Europe’, School of Politics Queen’s University Belfast (QUB).
- 2002 - 2005 Representative Tasso Publishers (www.tasso.nl) at book fairs, and for handling book orders by individual customers and book stores.
- 1998 - 2002 Researcher at the Interdisciplinary Research Programme on Root Causes of Human Rights Violations (PIOOM), Leiden University; tasks e.g.:
- Literature and preparatory research for Prof. A.P. Schmid’s NWO-funded project ‘Principles and Practices of International Migration’.
 - Author country conflict (resolution) reports for e.g. Dutch Defence ministry and European Centre for Conflict Prevention (ECCP), incl. Albania, Croatia, Hungary, Kosovo, Ukraine, Serbia-Montenegro.
- 1999 - 2000 Confidential report on the Kosovo conflict for UN Office for Drug Control and Crime Prevention (ODCCP), Terrorism Prevention Branch (TPB) Vienna, Austria. NB: I was able to use PIOOM’s facilities.

Publications

Book publications

- 2015 ‘The Limitations of Military Psychology: Combat-stress and Violence-values among the Chechens and Albanians’ (pp.577-627) in: U. Bläsing, V. Arakelova & M. Weinreich (eds.), *Studies on Iran and The Caucasus – Festschrift in Honour of Garnik Asatrian* Leiden: Brill, June 2015; www.brill.com/products/book/studies-iran-and-caucasus.

Research articles (peer-reviewed)

- 2017 ‘Conflict Patterns Revisited: Trends, Frequencies, Types and Brutalities in both Ethnic and Non-Ethnic Conflicts’ *Forum of EthnoGeoPolitics* Vol.5 No.1, Summer 2017, pp.41-62.
- 2015 & Tomasz Polanski, ‘Brutalities in Anti-Imperial Revolts: Commonalities and Differences in Distinct yet Overlapping Forms of Violence by Peripheral Ethnic-Indigenous Communities and Imperial Powers in Classical, Medieval and Modern (Industrial) Times’ *Politeja – Ethnicity, Culture, Politics* Vol.31 No.2, Winter 2015, pp.199-237. DOI: 10.12797/Politeja.12.2015.31_2.13
- 2015 ‘Looking at Conflict Patterns: Declining Frequencies yet Persistent Brutalities in both Ethnic and Non-Ethnic Conflicts’ *Forum of EthnoGeoPolitics* Vol.3 No.2, Autumn 2015, pp.9-25 (incl. Critical Responses and authors’ reaction).
- 2013 ‘Private Military Contractors: Deplore or Deploy? – Lessons from the ‘Blackwater Scandal’ in Iraq’ *Forum of EthnoGeoPolitics* Vol.1 No.2, Autumn 2013, pp.20-47 (incl. Critical Responses and authors’ reaction).
- 2010-2012 ‘How to Feud and Rebel: 1. Violence-values among the Chechens and Albanians’ *Iran and the Caucasus* Vol.14 No.2, November 2010, pp.331-365;

- ‘2. Histories, Cultures and Grievances of the Chechens and Albanians’
Vol.15 Nos.1-2, June 2011, pp.234-273;
- ‘3. Combat-stress and Violence-values among the Chechens and
Albanians’ Vol.16 No.2, July 2012, pp.225-245.
- 2008 & Pavlos Koktsidis, ‘A Success Story? – Analyzing Albanian Ethno-
Nationalist Extremism in the Balkans’ *East European Quarterly* Vol.42
No.2, 22 June 2008, pp.161-190.

Book reviews; review essays

- 2017 ‘The Tragedy of the Chechen Conflict’ (Review Essay) *Forum of
EthnoGeoPolitics* Vol.5 No.2, Winter 2017, pp.42-53.
- 2017 ‘The Chechen Conflict’ *Iran and the Caucasus* Vol.21 No.4, 2017,
pp.431-440.
- 2017 Babak Rezvani, ‘Conflict and Peace in Central Eurasia—Towards
Explanations and Understandings’ (Brill, 2015) *Nationalism and
Ethnic Politics* Vol.23 No.3, July 2017, pp.372-374.
- 2017 Babak Rezvani, ‘Mosaic Ethno-Geographic Configurations and Other
Factors accounting for Ethno-Territorial Conflict’ (Review Essay)
Forum of EthnoGeoPolitics Vol.5 No.1, Summer 2017, pp.71-75.
- 2016-2017 ‘The Tragic Tale of the Chechen Independence Struggle’ (Review
Essay) *Forum of EthnoGeoPolitics* Vol.4 No.2, Winter 2016, pp.57-73.
- 2016 Matthias Weinreich, ‘“We Are Here to Stay”—Pashtun Migrants in
the Northern Areas of Pakistan ...’ *Forum of EthnoGeoPolitics* Vol.4
No.1, Spring 2016, pp.58-65 (extended version).
- 2014-2015 Matthias Weinreich, ‘“We Are Here to Stay” – Pashtun Migrants in the
Northern Areas of Pakistan’ (Klaus Schwarz Verlag, 2010) *Journal of
International Migration & Integration* Online January 2014, DOI
10.1007/s12134-013-0314-4; Vol.16, No.3, August 2015, pp.841-844.
- 2013 Pavlos I. Koktsidis, ‘Strategic Rebellion: Ethnic Conflict in FYR
Macedonia and the Balkans’ (Peter Lang, 2012) *Nationalism and
Ethnic Politics* Vol.19 No.3, August 2013, pp.375-378.
- 2012 F. Companjen, L. Marácz & L. Versteegh (eds.), ‘Exploring the
Caucasus in the 21st Century: Essays on Culture, History and Politics
in a Dynamic Context’ (Amsterdam University Press, 2010) *Iran and
the Caucasus* Vol.16 No.3, 2012, pp.369-374.
- 2009 Emil Souleimanov, ‘An Endless War: The Russian–Chechen Conflict
in Perspective’ (Peter Lang, 2007) *Ethnopolitics* Vol.8 No.2, June
2009, pp.268–269.

Other articles: editorials, own publications, articles in the media, etcetera

- 2016-2017 ‘Democratic Transition, Transformation and Development in times of
War and Peace: Conceptualisations and Observations’ (Editorial)
Forum of EthnoGeoPolitics Vol.4 No.2, Winter 2016, pp.5-18.
- 2015 & Babak Rezvani, ‘Relevance of Human Security in the Field of
Ethnogeopolitics’ (Editorial) *Forum of EthnoGeoPolitics* Vol.3 No.3,
Special Issue on Human Security, Winter 2015, pp.5-6.
- 2015 & Edwin Giltay, ‘Lost in Translation: Srebrenica, an interpreter, a
secret deal and a conference in The Hague’ *Forum of EthnoGeoPolitics*
Vol.3 No.2, Autumn 2015, pp.83-85.

- 2015 'Let's be Clear: A Call for Tripartite Action-Actor-Motivation Conceptualisations in Social-Scientific Research' (Editorial) *Forum of EthnoGeoPolitics* Vol.3 No.1, Spring 2015, pp.5-18.
- 2015 & Sahin Sisić, 'Life Against Death: Srebrenica—Digest of the first presentation of Kadir Habibović's book in the Netherlands' *Forum of EthnoGeoPolitics* Vol.3 No.1, Spring 2015, pp.91-93.
- 2015 & Marcel Buurman, 'Ukraine: the strategy of Putin', March 2015; www.ichuminterv.org/auto-generate-from-title-5/#more-59
- 2014 'Patriotism and Brutality vis-à-vis Nationalism, Ethnicity and other Identity Formations' (Editorial) *Forum of EthnoGeoPolitics* Vol.2 No.2, Autumn 2014, pp.5-19.
- 2014 & Bas Wallage *et al.*, 'Declaration on the disaster with Flight MH17', 31 July 2014, www.ichuminterv.org/declaration-on-the-disaster-with-flight-mh17/ (Dutch version: *Joop.nl*, 30 July 2014).
- 2014 & B. Rezvani, *et al.*, 'The Iran Nuclear Interim Deal: Analysis & Debate' *Forum of EthnoGeoPolitics* Vol.2 No.1, Spring 2014, pp.45-53.
- 2013 & Bas Wallage, 'Why especially intervention against the use of Chemical Weapons? –The case Syria', 4 December 2013, www.ichuminterv.org/why-especially-intervention-against-the-use-of-chemical-weapons/#more-44 (Dutch version *Trouw*, 2 Jan. 2014, p.19).
- 2013 & B. Rezvani, 'Foundational Declaration, with a Summary of EGP's Activities' *Forum of EthnoGeoPolitics* Vol.1 No.1, Spring 2013, pp.7-8.
- 2010 'Private Military Contractors: Deploy or Avoid? – Lessons from the 'Blackwater scandal' in Iraq', <http://europeanreview.webs.com>.

Conferences

- 2018 Lecture on 'Brutalisation in Armed Conflict', at Institute of History of Jagiellonian University, Krakow, Poland, 29 March 2018
- 2017 Presenter on 'Tragedy of the Chechen Conflict' at 2nd RUCARR and 'Circassians in 21st century' conferences (<http://wpmu.mah.se/rucarr>), Malmö University, Sweden, 22-24 November 2017
- 2017 Keynote speaker on 'English-Language Accounts of the Chechen Conflict' at 4th International Conference on English Language & Literature (ICELL), Bedër University, Tirana, Albania, 19 May 2017
- 2017 Participant at International Data Responsibility Group 3rd Annual Conference (www.responsible-data.org), The Hague, 3 March 2017
- 2016 Participant at Launch Event Protecting Politics by International IDEA, Clingendael Institute (www.clingendael.nl), The Hague 11 October 2016
- 2015 Presenter of Dr. Babak Rezvani's paper 'Mental Mapping in the Caucasus and Central Asia', IUAES conf. 'Everyday Life in the Middle East', Jagiellonian University, Krakow, Poland, 9-10 September 2015

- 2014 Keynote speaker on ‘Patriotism, Loyalty and Honour’ at conference ‘Patriotism and the Problem of Education and Teaching’, Jan Kochanowski University, Kielce, Poland, 10-11 October 2014
- 2013 Special guest Subcarpathian Museum of Krosno, conference Krosno and the Krosnowian District in 1944-1956, Poland, 17-18 December 2013
- 2013 Paper ‘Brutalities in Anti-Imperial Revolts’, conf. ‘Ethnicity, Culture, Politics’, Jagiellonian University, Krakow, Poland, 18-19 April 2013
- 2015 - 2018 Participations/presentations at Knowledge Platform Security & Rule of Law (KPSRL; www.kpsrl.org) in The Hague:
- Participant seminar ‘Local Research Capacity’, 28 May 2015
 - Annual Conference 2015, 24 June 2015
 - ‘International Law Practice: Georgia and Ukraine’, 27 August 2015
 - Expert meeting ‘Political parties in fragile and conflict-affected settings’ of KPSRL a.o., 15 September 2016
 - Participant conference ‘Syria under Assad’, 6 February 2018
 - Participant lecture by Mary Kaldor on ‘Second Generation Human Security’, 27 February 2018
- 2012 - 2015 Participations/presentations at events of student associations, etcetera:
- Lecture ‘(Blood)revenge among Chechens and Albanians’ for International Student Association (SIB) Leiden, 18 January 2012
 - Discussant at 7th Annual South East European Doctoral Student Conference, City College Thessaloniki, Greece, 24-25 Sep. 2012
 - Participation at ‘This is War!’ congress by Psychology study association Labyrinth, Leiden, 12 April 2013
 - ‘Challenges for research and activism’, workshop Gamma symposium ‘Werkplaats’, Bilthoven, 12 November 2013
 - Participation at *Leidschrift* Symposium ‘Alien Warrior: foreign involvement in civil wars’, Leiden University, 4 March 2014
 - ‘Definitions of terrorism and anti-terror policies’, introductory speech for European student association AEGEE-Leiden, symposium “ISIS and Europe: Danger at the border?”, Leiden, 29 January 2015
 - ‘Terrorism definitions and anti-terror policies’, introductory speech for D66 (Democrats ’66 – Dutch social-liberal party) at debate “Is security feasible”, Delft, 27 March 2015
 - ‘Jihadism and Terrorism: definitions and anti-radicalisation and anti-terror policies’, introductory speech for D66 at ‘D-Café’ debate “The jihadist and his or her environment”, Utrecht, 29 April 2015
- 2011 - 2013 Papers/Chairs in conferences organised by *Iran and the Caucasus* (Brill):
- Chair ‘History, Political Issues’, Celebrating 15th Anniversary’ of the journal, Yerevan State University, Yerevan, Armenia, 1-2 July 2011
 - Paper ‘Nagorno-Karabakh conflict’, 2nd Conference Talishi Studies, Yerevan State University, Yerevan, Armenia, 12-13 November 2011

- Paper 'Chechnya, Kosovo, Nagorno-Karabakh', conference Autochthonous Peoples of the Caucasian-Caspian Region, Yerevan State University, Yerevan, Armenia, 5-7 October 2012
 - Paper 'Brutalities in Anti-Imperial and 'Modern' Revolts', conference Shirvan, Arran, and Azerbaijan: Historical-Cultural Retrospective, Yerevan State University, Armenia, 1-2 Nov 2013
- 2010 - 2014 Papers/presentations as representative of *EthnoGeoPolitics* (EGP):
- 'Violence-values Chechens Albanians', symposium Central Eurasia: Islam, Culture and Conflict, University Amsterdam, 17 May 2010
 - 'Violent separatism', at CERES summer school 2010 (<http://ceres.fss.uu.nl>), International Institute of Social Studies (IISS), The Hague, 24 June 2010 (in Conflict Studies panel of EGP)
 - 'Success and Failure armed opposition movements', CERES summer school 2011, Utrecht School of Economics, 30 June 2011 (ibid)
 - 'Combat-stress among Chechens and Albanians', at CERES summer school 2012, University of Amsterdam, 26 June 2012 (ibid)
 - 'Post-separatist transitions', at CERES summer school 2013, University of Amsterdam, 24 June 2013 (EGP panel)
 - Special guest as representative of EGP at the KNAW-LIAS conference 'Political Violence: Beyond the Secular/Religious Divide', Leiden University, 19 September 2014
- 2006 - 2008 Papers on my PhD research findings at the yearly *Central Asian Studies Society* (CESS) conferences in the US: (www.cess.muohio.edu):
- 7th conf.: Michigan University, Ann Arbor, 28 Sep. – 1 Oct. 2006
 - 8th conf.: Washington University, Seattle, 18-21 Oct. 2007
 - 9th conf.: Georgetown University, Washington DC, 18-21 Sep. 2008
- 2006 - 2008 Papers for the *Political Studies Association of Ireland* (PSAI):
- 'Defining political violence', Postgrad conf. QUB, 19-20 May 2006
 - 'Conflict resolution Chechens-Russians, Albanians-Serbs', PSAI conference, Galway University, Ireland, 17-19 October 2008
- 2006 - 2007 Papers at School of Politics of Queen's University Belfast (QUB):
- 'Terrorism & Insurgency', Farewell to Arms conf., 12 May 2006
 - Postgrad lecture 'Ways to rebel', 15 Nov. 2006
 - 'Incumbent vs Separatist', Beyond Nation conf., 12-14 Sep. 2007
- 2005 'Terrorism and the film *Paradise Now*' (Golden Globe 17 January 2006) on 22 December 2005 in Zaandam, the Netherlands (www.de-fabriek.nl).
- 2003 'Islamist terrorism in the Balkans', Amsterdam University, 20 Mar 2003
- Voluntary work and activities**
- 2004 - present Chairman & co-founder of the International Committee for Humanitarian Intervention (www.ichuminterv.org).

- 2000 - 2004 Secretary & Treasurer of Society Kosova-Netherlands in The Hague, a social-cultural society for Albanians and (other) Dutch people.
- 1993 - 2017 Leading member of Political Committee 'Stari Most' - Justice and Peace on the Balkans (www.starimost.nl). Spokesman 1994-96, 2004. Treasurer 1997-98. Chair 1999-2003, 2010-2017.