

Joop van der Pligt Curriculum Vitae

Personal data

Date and Place of birth

November 22, 1951, Sluis, the Netherlands

Educational background

1970-1973

Utrecht University,
Psychology; cum laude, 1973
B.Sc.

1973-1977

Utrecht University,
M.Sc. Psychology, 1977
B.A., Philosophy, 1977

1977-1981

King's College, University of London, UK
Ph.D. 1981

Academic appointments

- 1986– present Professor of Experimental Social Psychology, University of Amsterdam
1991–1995 Visiting Professor of Psychology, University of Surrey, Guildford, UK
1984–1987 Associate Professor, Institute for Environmental Studies, Free University, Amsterdam
1982–1984 Research Fellow, Department of Psychology, University of Exeter, U.K.
1982 Visiting Research Psychologist, Institut für Sozialmedizin und Epidemiologie des Bundesgesundheitsamtes, Berlin, Federal Republic of Germany
1980–1981 Research Fellow, Institute for Environmental Studies, Free University, Amsterdam
1978–1980 Research Assistant, Institute of Psychiatry, King's College, University of London; Social Science Research Council (SSRC) project on 'Social Influences, attitude structure and smoking among adolescents'
1977–1978 British Council Scholarship, Institute of Psychiatry, King's College, University of London
1974–1977 Research Assistant, Department of Social Psychology, Department of Psychometrics, Statistics & Modelling, Utrecht University

Professional Service Activities

Committees

Association of Universities in the Netherlands (VSNU)

Committee preparing the first National Assessment Exercise of Psychology Research in the Netherlands, 1993

Quality Control Committee Research Assessments in Psychology, History, Biology, and Engineering, 1994–1995

Netherlands Organization for Scientific Research (NWO)

Committee on Environmental Sciences (1985–1988)

Committee on Social and Organizational Psychology, Vice Chair, 1986–1990

Medical Sciences Committee (MEDIGON; Preventive Medicine), 1991–1993
Medical Science Committee (MEDIGON; Health Psychology and Psychiatry), 1994–1995
Foundation for Economic, Social and Geographical Sciences, Research Committee, 1994–1996
Selection Committee postdoctoral fellowships in Behavioral and Social Sciences (MaGW), 1996–1997
Research Audit Committee, Netherlands Institute of the Study of Criminality and Law Enforcement (NISCALE/NSCR), Chair, 1996
Program Committee National Research Program ‘Energy and Sustainability’, 1998–2006
Program Committee National Research Program ‘Nutrition, Sustainability and Health’, 1998–2006
Program Committee of the National Research Program ‘Profetas: Protein Foods, Environment, Technology, and Society’, 1999–2003
Program Committee National Research Program ‘Climate Change: Vulnerability, Adaptation and Mitigation’, 2003–2009
VENI Selection Committee, Behavioral and Social Sciences (MaGW), 2011

National Research Programs (Netherlands)

AIDS Research committee (Scientific Steering Group), 1989–1994
Committee National Research Program on Global Climate Change, 1989–1995
Research Appraisal Committee, Netherlands’ Institute for the Study of Criminality and Law Enforcement (NISCALE/NSCR), Chair, 2000

Ministry of Justice (Netherlands)

WODC-Advisory Committee of research project on ‘High Security Prisons in the Netherlands’, Chair, 2000–2004
WODC-Advisory Committee of research project on ‘Compensation for Relatives of Victims in the Netherlands’, Chair, 2007–2008
WODC-Advisory Committee of research project on ‘Comparing Muslim and Right Wing Radical Groups in the Netherlands’, Chair, 2009–2010

Department of Transport (UK)

Working Group on Judgment and Decision Making and serious traffic offender education, 2006–2007

RCC-Society

Working Group for the design and description of the FET Flagship candidate ‘Robot Companions for Citizens’, since 2011

National Advisory Council for Environmental Research (RMNO)

Social Science Research Committee (GAMIN), 1994–1995

National Council on Food Safety (Voedsel en Waren Autoriteit, VWA)

Advisory Committee on Risk Communication, 2003–2008

Dutch Social Psychology Association (ASPO)

President, 1989–1994

European Association of Decision Making (EADM)

Organizing Committee of SPUDM (‘Subjective Probability, Utility and Decision-Making’) conferences at Fribourg, Switzerland (13th conference, 1991), Aix-en-Provence, France (14th conference, 1992), Mannheim, Germany (17th conference, 1999), and Amsterdam, the Netherlands (18th conference, 2001)

International Council for Science (ISCU)

Planning Group on Natural and Human-Induced Environmental Hazards and Disasters, since 2011

European Association of Social Psychology (EASP)

Summerschool at Tilburg University, Tutor, 1985

European Science Foundation (ESF)

Executive Board 'network on human reasoning and decision-making', 1997–2001

European Science Foundation (ESF) and European Space Sciences Committee (ESSC)

Study group in MRS Planetary Protection Requirements, 2012

Editorial service

Editor

Health Psychology Review, 2006–2010

Fundamentele Sociale Psychologie ('Basic Social Psychology'), 1989–1993

Associate Editor

European Journal of Social Psychology, 1985–1989

Milieu ('Journal of Environmental Sciences'), 1995–1998

Guest Editor

Journal of Environmental Psychology (1990, 10, 99-176). 'Psychological Fallout from the Chernobyl Nuclear Accident' (with C. Midden).

Acta Psychologica (1992, 80, 1–350). 'Current Themes in Psychological Decision Research' (with O. Huber, J. Mumpower, & P. Koele).

Journal of Applied Social Psychology (1998, 28, 1313-1464) 'Expectancy value models of attitudes and behavior' (with A. S. R. Manstead).

Acta Psychologica (2000, 104, 281-417) 'Decision Making' (with P. Koele, H.V. Teigen, and G. Wu).

Acta Psychologica (2001, 108, 91-207) 'Time and Judgment' (with P. Roelofsma).

Editorial Board

British Journal of Health Psychology, 1996–2004

British Journal of Social Psychology, 1989–1994

European Journal of Social Psychology, 1990–1994

Gedrag en Gezondheid ('Behavior and Health'), 1986–2001

Gedrag en Organisatie ('Journal of Social and Organizational Psychology'), 1987–1995

Health Psychology Review, 2010–present

Journal of Behavioral Decision Making, 1994–

Milieu ('Journal of Environmental Sciences'), 1994–1995

Risk, Decision, and Policy, 2000–2005

Tijdschrift Gezondheidsbevordering ('Journal of Health Education'), 1987–1996

Tijdschrift voor Milieukunde ('Journal of Environmental Sciences'), 1985–1988

Tijdschrift voor Sociale Gezondheidszorg ('Journal of Public Health'), 1993–1998

Ad hoc Reviewer

Journals

Acta Psychologica

American Journal of Community Psychology

Anxiety, Stress and Coping

Appetite

Australian Journal of Psychology

Basic and Applied Social Psychology

Behavioral Decision Making

Behavioral Psychotherapy

British Journal of Addiction

British Journal of Health Psychology

British Journal of Psychology

British Journal of Social Psychology

Bulletin of the British Psychological Society

Cahiers de Psychologie Cognitive - European Bulletin of Cognitive Psychology

Cognition and Emotion

Current Psychological Research and Reviews
 Emotion
 European Journal of Social Psychology
 European Review of Social Psychology
 Gedrag en Gezondheid ('Behavior and Health')
 Health Education Research: Theory and Practice
 International Review of Health Psychology
 International Review of Social Psychology
 Jaarboek Sociale Psychologie
 Journal of Applied Social Psychology
 Journal of Economic Psychology
 Journal of Environmental Psychology
 Journal of Environmental Planning & Management
 Journal of Personality and Social Psychology
 Journal of Risk Research
 Journal of Social and Clinical Psychology
 Journal of Sport and Exercise
 Journal of Health Psychology: An Interdisciplinary Journal
 Medical Decision Making
 Milieu ('Environment')
 Nederlands Tijdschrift voor de Psychologie ('Netherlands Journal of Psychology')
 Personality and Social Psychology Bulletin
 Psychology and Health
 Psychologica Belgica
 Psychological Bulletin
 Psychonomic Bulletin & Review
 Psychological Reports
 Psychological Science
 Psychometrika
 Public Opinion Quarterly
 Quarterly Journal of Experimental Psychology
 Social Science & Medicine
 Swiss Journal of Psychology
 The Psychologist
 Tijdschrift Gezondheidsbevordering ('Journal of Health Education and Prevention')
 Tijdschrift voor Seksuologie ('Journal of Sex Research')
 Tijdschrift voor Sociale Gezondheidszorg ('Journal of Public Health')

Reviewing

Publishers

Cambridge University Press (Cambridge, UK)
 Hodder Headline PLC Group (London, UK)
 McGraw-Hill (London, UK)
 Open University Press (Milton Keynes, UK)
 Pearson Education (Harlow, UK)
 Pearson-Prentice Hall (Harlow, UK)
 Psychology Press (Hove, UK)
 Sage Publications (London, UK)
 Swets & Zeitlinger (Amsterdam, the Netherlands)

Grant applications

DFG-Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft (German Research Foundation)
 Economic and Social Research Council (UK)
 European Science Foundation (ESF)
 European Research Council (ERC)
 Fonds voor Wetenschappelijk Onderzoek (FOM), (Fund for Scientific Research, Flanders, Belgium).

Kenniscentrum voor Orderingsvraagstukken, Ministerie Economische Zaken (Center for Regulation Studies; Ministry of Economics).
 Israel Science Foundation
 Koningin Wilhelmina Fonds (Dutch Cancer Research Foundation)
 National Radiological Protection Board (UK)
 National Research Program on Global Climate Change (the Netherlands)
 National Science Foundation (US)
 Norwegian Research Council
 Nationale Scriptieprijs (Parool and the University of Amsterdam)
 Netherlands Institute for Advanced Study in the Humanities and Social Sciences (NIAS)
 Netherlands Organisation for Scientific Research (NWO): a variety of review panels and selection committees in the behavioral, social, environmental and medical sciences
 Netherlands Organisation for Scientific Research (NWO): Technology Foundation (STW)
 PccAo, Program Coordination Committee on AIDS Research (the Netherlands)
 Research Council of Norway
 Science Committees of the University of Amsterdam, the University of Groningen, and the Free University of Amsterdam
 Stichting AIDS-fonds (National AIDS Foundation, the Netherlands)
 UNEP/WMO (United Nations Environmental Program and World Meteorological Organisation): Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change
 ZON-Mw (Health Care/Medical Research Foundation), Preventieprogramma (Prevention Research)

Research projects (post-hoc reviewer)

National Research Program on Global Climate Change (the Netherlands)
 Netherlands Organisation for Scientific Research (NWO): Behavioral and Social Science Committee (MaGW)
 Netherlands Organisation for Scientific Research (NWO): Behavioral Research Committee
 Netherlands Organisation for Scientific Research (NWO): Social Psychology Committee
 Netherlands Organisation for Scientific Research (NWO): Sustainable Energy Committee
 PccAo, Program Coordination Committee on AIDS Research (the Netherlands)
 Technologie Stichting STW (Technology Foundation of Applied Science, the Netherlands)
 WODC (Research Department, Ministry of Justice, the Netherlands)

Administrative experience

At the Free University (Amsterdam) I was member of the executive board and heading the social science division of the Institute for Environmental Studies (1982-1984). At this university I was also member of the University Committee on Environmental Science. At the University of Amsterdam I was chair of the Social Psychology Program (1986-1992; 1998-2001; 2006-), chair of the Science Committee of the Department of Psychology (1987-1992), member board Faculty of Psychology, 1992-1994, Dean Faculty of Psychology, 1994-1998, member Science Committee University of Amsterdam (1987-1992), and member University Committee on Ph.D. exam regulations (1994-1998). I chaired the Assessment Committee of the Teacher Training Institute (1997), and was a member of the Control Advisory Committee (1995-1997) at the University, and of the selection Committee KNAW-fellows. From 1998 to 2001, I was a member of the Amsterdam University Senate. From 2001 to 2003 I was a member of the steering committee responsible for designing a multi-disciplinary Bachelors degree incorporating elements from the social, behavioral and natural sciences. Between 2000 and 2006 I was director of the Psychology Research Institute of the University of Amsterdam. From 2003 to 2004, I was a member of the University of Amsterdam Strategic Committee addressing future directions for research and teaching at this University.

I was member of the Teaching Committee of the Kurt Lewin Institute (KLI), 1991-1993, and member of the governing board of the Kurt Lewin Institute 1994-1997, which I chaired from 1997 to 2003. I was a member of, or chaired search committees at the University of Amsterdam at various departments including Social Psychology, Work & Organizational Psychology, Clinical Psychology, Sociology, Linguistics, Educational Science, and Political Science. I also was a member of search committees for chairs in Social Psychology at the University of Groningen and

Leiden University, and a member of the search committee for the chair and director of the Institute for Environmental Studies at the Free University of Amsterdam. I also served on search committees of universities abroad such as Trinity College, University of Dublin and was scientific advisor of the Faculty of Psychology, University of Bergen, Norway. I served as external referee for a variety of science foundations in the Netherlands, USA, and Great Britain. Finally, I participated in several search committees for administrative and managerial functions at the University of Amsterdam (central office) and the Faculty of Social and Behavioral Sciences of the University of Amsterdam. I serve(d) on the board of trustees for a variety of chairs in the general area of psychology including chairs funded by external organisations. Examples are chairs on consumer behavior and food choice, decision making, group dynamics, and the psychophysiology of sleep.

Research Grants Awarded

- Public reactions to contaminated soil*, NWO (Netherlands Organisation for Scientific Research), Dfl. 150,000, 1984–1986, co-PI
- Cost-benefit analysis of noise reduction programs*, Department of the Environment (VROM), Dfl. 50,000, 1985
- Public perception of technological risks*, European Foundation for the Improvement of Living and Working Conditions, Dfl. 70,000, 1985–1986, co-PI
- Public reactions to contaminated soil and policy solutions*, Department of the Environment (VROM), Dfl. 110,000, 1986–1987, co-PI
- The development of risk communication programs around hazardous facilities*, Department of Interior Affairs, Dfl. 180,000, 1987, co-PI
- Aids in heterosexual high risk groups: Psychological and medical characteristics*, Dutch Health Research Council (RGO), Dfl. 1,300,000, 1987–1991, co-PI
- Developing a Risk Communication Manual*, Department of the Environment (VROM), Dfl. 200,000, 1988–1989, co-PI
- Attitudinal Judgment and Willingness-to-pay*, NWO (Netherlands Organisation for Scientific Research), Dfl. 250,000, 1988–1992, co-PI
- Categorization processes and attitudinal change*, NWO (Netherlands Organisation for Scientific Research), Dfl. 250,000, 1989–1993, co-PI
- False consensus: antecedents and consequences*, Department of Psychology, University of Amsterdam, Dfl. 200,000, 1989–1993
- Models of preventive health behavior applied to sexual risk taking*, Dutch Health Research Council (RGO), Dfl. 230,000, 1989–1991
- ERASMUS Student exchange program on applied decision-making research*, European Community, average annual grant Dfl. 20,000, 1989–1996
- Perceived risk, unrealistic optimism and AIDS-preventive behavior among adolescents*, Dutch Health Research Council (RGO), Dfl. 250,000, 1990–1993
- Expectations and Illusory Correlation*, NWO (Netherlands Organisation for Scientific Research), Dfl. 250,000, 1991–1995
- Adolescents and health risks: framing, risk perception and behavior*, Department of Health (Research Program on Determinants of Health), Dfl. 250,000, 1991–1993, PI
- Assimilation and Contrast in Social Judgment*, NWO (Netherlands Organisation for Scientific Research), Dfl. 230,000, 1993–1997, co-PI
- The role of regret and disappointment in decision-making*, Department of Psychology, University of Amsterdam, Dfl. 240,000, 1994–1998
- Research Network on reasoning and decision-making*, European Science Foundation (ESF), Dfl. 80,000, 1998–2000, co-PI
- Regret and Disappointment over time*, NWO (Netherlands Organisation for Scientific Research), Dfl. 250,000, 1999–2004
- Explaining food related attitudes and behavior*, NWO (Netherlands Organisation for Scientific Research) (in collaboration with the University of Maastricht and Tilburg University), Dfl. 1,400,000, 2000–2004, co-PI
- Transparency in the food system as a determinant of sustainability in food choice*, NWO (Netherlands Organisation for Scientific Research). " (in collaboration with the Free

University, Amsterdam, Twente University and University of Groningen), Dfl. 1,500.000, 2000–2004, co-PI

A social psychological analysis of compliance, National Research Center Ministry of Law (WODC), € 60.000, 2005

Stability of attitudes toward the police: An experimental study, Home Department, Netherlands, € 15.000, 2005

The role of perceived fairness and equity in compliance, National Research Center Ministry of Law (WODC) (in collaboration with Free University Amsterdam), € 55.000, 2007-2008, co-PI

The role of perceived risk and controllability in insurance behavior of small businesses, ACHMEA insurances, € 30.000, 2007-2008, co-PI

A psychological analysis of radicalization and terrorism, National Research Center Ministry of Law (WODC), € 24.000, 2008

The role of perceived risk and controllability in insurance behavior, ACHMEA insurances, € 280.000, 2008-2012, co-PI

Attitudinal ambivalence, NWO (Netherlands Organisation for Scientific Research), € 200.000, 2010-2014, co-PI

Ambivalence and information processing, Department of Psychology, € 200.000, 2010-2014, co-PI