

## Curriculum Vitae Conny Rijken

### Personal Information

Family name Rijken

First Name Conny

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Nationality Dutch

Sex Female



### Relevant qualifications summary

Rijken is Professor of Human Trafficking and Globalisation at INTERVICT, Tilburg University. For twenty years Rijken has done research on various aspects of Human Trafficking including migration, labour exploitation and corporate social responsibility, always with a focus on human rights and the position of the individual. Rijken has been leading international and interdisciplinary research projects and conducted innovative research on the needs of trafficking victims. She is frequently invited as speaker and lecturer on human trafficking. She is member of the Victims Identification Board, was deputy judge and member of the Advisory Committee on migration affairs until early this year.

### Current professional activity

*January 2016 –*

Tilburg University

INTERVICT (International Victimology Institute Tilburg)

Tilburg Law School,

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CV Conny Rijken, GRETA, September 2018

Professor of Human Trafficking and Globalisation.

Main activities and responsibilities:

- Lecturing in the Master Victimology, MA Courses *Current Issues in Victimology* (coordinator) and *Migration law*, Organiser and coordinator *Human Trafficking Clinic*.
- Supervision students in master in writing thesis on various topics. PhD-candidates (see below).

*September 2016-*

Deputy Director INTERVICT, Tilburg University.

Main activities and responsibilities:

- Member of the management team, co-responsible for managerial decisions, replacement of the Director in his absence, co-responsible for financial policy of the institute, co-responsible for HR-policy.

*September 2016-*

Director of the program 'Data Science for Humanitarian Innovation' (DSHI) at DATA SCIENCE CENTER Tilburg, together with Prof. Hein Fleuren.

Main activities and responsibilities:

- Initiating and developing projects and research on DS4HI with a specific focus on Urban Refugees and Supply Chain Optimisation.
- Running a project on vulnerabilities and coping strategies of urban refugees in Athens and Thessaloniki.

<b>Relevant previous professional activities</b>
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*January 2014 –January 2016*

Associate Professor INTERVICT (International Victimology Institute Tilburg), Tilburg University.

Main activities and responsibilities:

- Lecturing in the Master Victimology, MA Course *Human Rights: Current Issues* and *Migration law*, BA course *International and European Criminal Law* (coordinator).

- Supervision students in master in writing thesis on various topics.

*October 2007 – December 2013*

Associate Professor in International and European Law, Tilburg University.

Main activities and responsibilities:

- Lecturing Master Courses: Human Rights Law (coordinator), Human Rights: Current Issues including seminar on Human Trafficking, Advanced European Criminal Law (coordinator), Migration Law.
- Lecturing Bachelor Courses: Introduction to European and International Law (in Dutch), European Criminal Law, Moot Court.
- Supervision students in undergraduate and master in writing thesis on various topics.
- Management: Member of the departmental Management Team, programme coordinator Bachelor International and European Law and Master International and European Public Law (English). Reform of the MA Program, redesign BA.

*June 2003 – October 2007*

Assistant Professor in International and European Law, department International and European Law, Tilburg University.

Main activities and responsibilities:

- Lecturing: Human Rights Law (MA, coordinator), European Criminal Law (BA), Introduction to International and European Law (BA), Vreemdelingenrecht,
- Organiser of the summer/wintercourse, in collaboration with North West University, Potchefstroom campus. Yearly exchange program with and for students.
- Management: BA coordinator, reform of the BA, member of the Program Committees, vice-chair Program Committees.

*November 1998–June 2003*

PhD candidate on the subject 'Trafficking in Human Beings. Prosecution from a European perspective'.

T.M.C. Asser Institute, The Hague and Tilburg University

R.J. Schimmelpennincklaan 20-22  
2517 JN The Hague, The Netherlands

*May – July 2000*

Intern at Europol, Organised Crime Department, Trafficking in Human Beings and Illegal Immigration Group. Comparative study on child pornography.

*May- October 1998*

Intake-officer at Dutch Ministry of Justice, Department for Immigration and Naturalisation.

*June- August 1997*

Intern at Dutch Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Section DSI/Women and Development, The Hague. Research on protection and realisation of women's rights, as recognised in the Convention on the Elimination of all forms of Discrimination against Women (CEDAW).

<b>Relevant additional responsibilities</b>
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- Member of the Trafficking Victim's Identification Board, implementing the temporary regulation on the plausibility of victimhood of human trafficking victims  
(<https://schadefonds.nl/en/temporary-regulation-on-the-plausibility-of-victimhood-of-human-trafficking-victims/>)
- Member Board of Editors *Journal of Trafficking and Human Exploitation* <http://www.uitgeverijparis.nl/en/journals/journal/15>
- Member of the Advisory Committee on Migration Affairs (till 1-3-2018)  
<http://www.acvz.org/nl/index.php?reloaded=true>
- Deputy Judge, District Court, West-Brabant and Zeeland, The Netherlands (From September 2009 till February 2018).
- Editorial Member of the Journal of Trafficking, Organised Crime and Security, Brown Walker Press, USA.
- Lecturer/instructor course Trafficking in Human Beings, SSR, Education Institute for the Judiciary.



- Member of the Eritrea Expertise Group.

## **Research projects**

### **Ongoing research projects:**

‘DESIrE: Demand for Sexual Exploitation in Europe’ funded by the European Commission HOME/2015/ISFP/AG/THBX, 1 January 2017-1 January 2019 (Co-applicant), total budget is 857,308.60 EUR. The Tilburg University share **266, 416.88 EUR**

‘PHIT: Psychological Health Impact of Trafficking on victims of THB’ funded by the European Commission HOME/2015/ISFP/AG/THBX/4000008432, 1 January 2017-1 January 2019 (Co-applicant). Total budget: 502,026.20, TiU Share: **74,619.45 EUR**

### **Closed research projects of which Rijken was the applicant:**

Instituut GAK, ‘Bescherming van arbeidsmigranten in Nederland: toen, nu en in de toekomst’ [Protection of Labour Migrants, then, now and in the future]. January 2014-January 2018, total **budget € 390.744**

‘Facilitating Corporate Social Responsibility in the field of human trafficking’ funded by the European Commission (HOME/2011/ISEC/AG/THB/4000001962), December 2012- April 2014, total budget **€ 348 021,51**.

Research on the needs of victims of human trafficking in the Netherlands. Research conducted with prof. J. van Dijk and drs. F. Klerx, commissioned by Victim Support Fund, (closed June 2013). **Total budget € 57 056**.

‘Combating Trafficking in Human Beings for Labour Exploitation’, funded by the European Commission (JLS/2009/ISEC/AG/176). April 2010-April 2011, total **budget € 161800,00**.

### **Closed research projects of which Rijken was a co-applicant**

Severe labour exploitation – workers’ perspectives (SELEX II), Funded by the Fundamental Rights Agency, Vienna, January 2017- September 2017 (senior expert)

Instituut GAK, ‘Arbeidsmarktintegratie vluchtelingen’, September 2016- March 2017

‘Nieuwe fenomenen van arbeidsuitbuiting’, [New phenomenon of labour exploitation], research for the Ministry of Social Affairs and Employment, September 2014 – May 2015.

‘TRACE; Trafficking as a Criminal Enterprise’, funded by the European Commission under FP 7 program. Trilateral Research and Consultancy, London, is applicant, Spring 2014- Spring 2016, Budget TLS € 170 979,58.

‘Non-refoulement in migratory situations’, research for the Fundamental Rights Agency, January 2015 - May 2015.

‘Statelessness, human trafficking and subjective legal empowerment in Thailand’, funded by the US State Department, October 2012-September 2014, budget Rijken \$ 58 310,00.

Testimonies of victims of human trafficking, commissioned by WODC, Dutch Research and Documentation Centre, started December 2012.

Responses to forced labour in the EU, Country report The Netherlands’, together with Prof. M. Houwerzijl, commissioned by Joseph Rountree Foundation, (closed 2012).

Researcher in the AGIS project on the introduction of quality labels in the prostitution sector in the Netherlands, coordinated by Ghent University (JLS/2005/AGIS/063, closed 2006).

Member of the Steering Committee of the research of the IOM on Awareness raising of judicial authorities concerning trafficking in human beings. National rapporteur for the Netherlands and the European legal framework in this project (2004-2005). Funded by the European Commission.

Research leader of an international and interdisciplinary scientific research on Joint Investigation Teams by the Dutch Police Institute, October 2004 – December 2005.

### **Supervision PhDs and committees**

#### **Current PhD projects:**

- Lukasz Dziedzic, ‘*The Principle of Solidarity and Fair Sharing of Responsibilities in the Common European Asylum System*’ together with Hans Lindahl.
- Annick Pijnenburg, *At the frontiers of State responsibility: do non-entrée policies reach beyond the limits of refugee and human rights law?*
- Maria Shaidrova, ‘*The persistence of risky migration patterns: a comparative study of Eritrean and Nigerian migration to Europe*’

#### **Joint PhD projects:**

- Amy Weatherburn, ‘*Conceptualising labour exploitation in Law*’, together with Paul de Hert, Vrije Universiteit Brussel (VUB)
- Jing Geng, ‘*The Search for the "Perfect Victim": Impact on Efforts to Combat Trafficking and to aid exploited individuals*’, together with Luis Baretto Xavier, Catholic Global School of Law, Lisbon

#### **External PhD projects:**

- Jean Bosco Mutangana, ‘*Human Trafficking in Rwanda*’ (provisional title), together with Prof. R.M. Letschert

**Closed Phd projects of which Rijken was (co-)promotor:**

- Niels van Lit '*International and national responses to Child Soldiering*' (Tilburg University, co-supervisor with Prof. W. van Genugten), Defended date 15 December 2014.
- Stefanie Jansen '*Accepting Aid in the Aftermath of Disasters*' (Tilburg University, co-supervisor with Prof. W. van Genugten), Defended 22 June 2015.
- Jessica de Jongh, '*Human trafficking for the purpose of organ removal Uncovering the crime's mechanisms and business model*' together with Dina Siegel, Utrecht University.
- Member supervisory committee PhD, Julia Planitzer, University of Vienna, Supervisor Prof. Manfred Nowak, title: *The Council of Europe Convention on Action against Trafficking in Human Beings and the Human Rights-Based Approach to Trafficking in Human Beings*, Defended June 2013.
- Member supervisory committee Julie Lima de Perez, Ghent University, Belgium '*The fight against trafficking in human beings in Brazil and Spain*', supervisor Prof. Gert Vermeulen, Defended July 2015.
- Member supervisory committee Julia Muraszkiewicz, Free University Brussels, supervisor Paul De Hert.

**Member of PhD commissions:**

- Chloé Brière, *EU policy in the fight against trafficking in human beings A representative example of the challenges caused by the externalisation of the Area of Freedom, Security and Justice* Université Libre Bruxelles, September 2016.
- A. ten Boom, '*Slachtoffers van misdrijven door intimi, kennissen of vreemden. Context, ervaringen en behoeften met betrekking tot justitie*', November 2016.

**Management**

September 2016-

Deputy-director of INTERVICT

Tilburg University

Member of the Management Team of INTERVICT

2009-2014

Member of the Management Team of the Department European and International Law.

Tasks: Responsible for educational issues, co-responsible for the overall management of the department, participating in decisions on personnel related issues.

2008-2014

Program coordinator MA International and European Public Law

Tilburg University

Tasks: Responsible for the program, evaluation and quality of the teaching, managing two reforms of the MA program over this period, counselling and motivating staff, organizational management.

*2006-2013*

Program coordinator BA European and International Law  
Tilburg University

Tasks: Responsible for the overall program and the coherence in the program, maintain contacts with lecturers in the program from other departments, managing reform and redesign of the bachelor.

## **Education**

- 1998-2003*     Doctorate in Law, Tilburg University, Tilburg, The Netherlands. PhD thesis defended in November 2003. Supervisors Prof.dr. E.M.H. Hirsch Ballin and Prof.dr. C.J.C.F. Fijnaut.
- 1993-1997*     Doctoral with specialisation in International Law, with emphasis on Human Rights Law, Faculty of Law, Tilburg University, Tilburg, The Netherlands.  
Graduated November 1997.
- 1991-1993*     Bachelor in Law, Faculty of Law, University of Utrecht, Utrecht, The Netherlands

## **Training**

- 2016-2017*     Advanced Training Academic Leadership (Bureau Beysterveld)
- 2003 – 2012*     Various courses on teaching in an academic setting: courses on interactive teaching, Socratic teaching methods and teaching large groups.
- 2006*             Course on Academic Leadership (bureau Eva Wiltingh BV)

## **Publications**

**TOP 10 most relevant publications (full overview see:**

<http://www.tilburguniversity.edu/webwijs/show/?uid=c.r.j.j.rijken>)

1. C. Rijken & T. de Lange, **(2018)** *Towards a Decent Labour Market for Low Waged Migrant Workers*, edited volume, Amsterdam University Press, (August 2018).
2. R. Piotrowicz, C. Rijken, B. Uhl, **(2017)** *Routledge Handbook of Human Trafficking*, London and New York: Routledge.
3. C. Rijken, **(2016)** *Victimisation through Migration*, inaugural address, November 2016, Tilburg Prisma Print.
4. A. Bosma & C. Rijken **(2016)** 'Key challenges in the combat of human trafficking: Evaluating the EU trafficking strategy and EU trafficking directive'. *New journal of European criminal law*, 7(3), 315-330.
5. C. Rijken, **(2015)** 'Legal Approaches to Combating the Exploitation of Third-Country National Seasonal Workers'. *The International Journal of Comparative Labour Law and Industrial Relations* 31, no. 4: 431–452 (double blind peer reviewed).
6. N. Jägers and C. Rijken, **(2014)**. 'Prevention of Human Trafficking for Labour Exploitation: The Role of Corporations', *Northwestern Journal of International Human Rights*, Winter 2014, vol. 12 (peer reviewed).
7. C. Rijken **(2013)**, 'Trafficking in Human Beings for Labour Exploitation: Cooperation in an Integrated Approach', *European Journal of Crime, Criminal Law and Criminal Justice*, 2013(21), issue 1, 9-35, (double blind peer reviewed).
8. C. Rijken (ed.), **(2011)**. *Combating Trafficking in Human Beings for Labour Exploitation*, Nijmegen, Wolf Legal Publishers.
9. C. Rijken and E. de Volder **(2010)**. 'The European Union's Struggle to Realize a Human Rights-Based Approach to Trafficking in Human Beings. A Call on the EU to Take THB-Sensitive Action in Relevant Areas of Law', *Connecticut Journal of International Law*, 2010(49), 49-80. (double blind peer reviewed).
10. C. Rijken **(2003)**. *Trafficking in Persons. Prosecution from a European Perspective*. The Hague, T.M.C. Asser Press. (PhD)

<b>Computer skills</b>
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I am familiar working with MS Office (Word, Excel, Publisher, PowerPoint)

I have worked with SPSS to a limited extend.

Language skills					
Mother tongue	Dutch				
	Understanding		Speaking		Writing
Language	Listening	Reading	Spoken interaction	Spoken production	Writing skills
English	C1	C2	C1	C2	C2
French	A2	B1	B1	A2	A2
German	B1	B1	B1	B1	B1