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Curriculum Vitae

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Eveline van Leeuwen was born in 1978 in Utrecht in the Netherlands. After finishing her bachelor and masters education at Wageningen University she went to the VU University in Amsterdam, to work as a junior researcher on mainly EU-funded projects. At the same time she started working on her dissertation about the importance of towns for the rural economy. In this thesis, a wide range of quantitative methodologies have been used such as: discrete choice analysis, meta-analysis, social accounting matrices and microsimulation. The final chapter of her thesis, in which micro-and macro approaches are integrated, was awarded with the best paper award for young scientists (Epainos Prize) at the ERSA conference in Liverpool, 2008.

The current work of Eveline consist of participating in several EU-funded projects about European agriculture (AG2020), different dimensions of sustainability (SMILE), and e-services for advanced access to cultural heritage in cities (ISAAC). In addition, she works on a nationally funded project about adaptation to climate change. Her main interests lie in combining existing operational methods, such as SAMs and microsimulation, and adding (a stronger) spatial component to this framework. In addition, she is interested in rural and regional development issues. Apart from a strong research task, Eveline also has various teaching activities. She contributes mainly to courses in the bachelor programme 'Earth and Economics'.

Education

- Technical University education (MSc), Land-use planning, at the Wageningen University, 2002.
- PhD at the Department of Spatial Economics, VU University, under the supervision of Prof. dr. Piet Rietveld and Prof. dr. Peter Nijkamp, 2008.

Employment experience

- Assistant professor at the department of spatial economics at the VU University Amsterdam (2008-present)
- Visiting assistant research professor at the Regional Economics Application Laboratory, University of Illinois (September-December 2009)
- Junior researcher at the department of spatial economics at the VU University Amsterdam (2002-2008)
- (posted) Researcher at University of Algarve, Portugal (October- December 2004)

- (posted) Researcher at LEI (July 2003- April 2004)

Side activities

- Newsletter editor Regional Science Association International (RSAI) (2008-present)
- Part of the organizational committee of the International Conference on Knowledge in Small and Medium Sized Towns, 4-5 December 2009, Faro, Portugal

Awards

- MSc thesis award from the Dutch Association of Urban Planners (2000).
- Best paper award for young scientists at the European Regional Science conference (2008).

Publications (selection)

- Van Leeuwen, E.S. (forthcoming). *Urban-Rural Interactions: Towns as Focus Points in Rural Development*, Physica Verlag, Heidelberg.
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- Van Leeuwen, E.S., P. Nijkamp and P. Rietveld (2006). Economic impacts of tourism; A meta-analytic comparison of regional output multipliers. In M. Giaoutzi and P. Nijkamp (eds.) *Tourism and Regional Development New Pathways*. Ashgate, London.
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