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**Previous positions:** Scientific Director CentER (Jan 1, 2001 - July 4, 2001), Head Department of Economics Tilburg University (1999-2000), Director Tinbergen Institute (1994-1997), Professor of Economics, Erasmus University Rotterdam (1994-1997) Associate Professor of Economics, Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam (1988-1994) Staff member Organisation for Labour Market Research (OSA; 1983-88) Staff member Scientific Council for Government Policy (WRR; 1978-83).

**Award:** Hicks-Tinbergen medal - European Economic Association (1996; joint with Geert Ridder).

**Fellowships:** CentER for Economic Research Tilburg, Centre for Economic Policy Research London, William Davidson Institute - Ann Arbor, Michigan, Institute for the Study of Labor (IZA) - Bonn.

**Editorial work:** Co-editor Labour Economics (1999-2004), Associate editor European Economic Review (2001-2004), Associate editor Journal of the European Economic Association (from 2003), Editor De Economist (from 2003), Editorial board CPB Report (1998-2003).

**Academic duties:** Board European Association of Labour Economists (1998-2004); Member Economic Policy Forum (2001-2003); Member Jury Hennisman prize (1997-2001); Research Director Institute for Labour Studies (OSA; 1998-2005); Member Strategic Advisory Research Board Danish National Institute of Social Research (Copenhagen; from 2003).

**Current research:** Unemployment dynamics, effects of policy interventions in the labour market, labour market and the firm, matching job seekers and vacancies, immigration and the labour market, empirical analysis of auctions, dynamics in drug use.

**Current Teaching:** Socio Economic Policy, Labour Economics.

## PUBLICATIONS IN INTERNATIONAL SCIENTIFIC JOURNALS 2000-2005

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The effects of benefit sanctions on the duration of unemployment, *Journal of the European Economic Association*, 2005, forthcoming (with Rafael Lalive and Josef Zweimueller)

Cannabis, cocaine and jobs, *Journal of Applied Econometrics*, 2005, forthcoming

Modeling financial incentives to get unemployed back to work, *Journal of Institutional and Theoretical Economics*, 2005, forthcoming (with Jan Boone)

Age at immigration and educational attainment of immigrants, *Economics Letters*, 2005, forthcoming (with Justus Veenman)

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Ecstasy and cocaine; patterns of use among prime age individuals in Amsterdam, *Addictive Behaviors*, 2005, 30, 1468-1473.

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A pint a day raises a man's pay; but smoking blows that gain away, *Journal of Health Economics*, 2004, 23, 5, 863-886

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The locking-in effect of subsidized jobs, *Journal of Comparative Economics*, 2004, 32/1, 37-52

Unemployment dynamics and age, *Annales d'Economie et de Statistique*, 2003, 70, 1-30 (with Gerard J. van den Berg and A. Gijsbert C. van Lomwel)

The educational attainment of second-generation immigrants in The Netherlands, *Journal of Population Economics*, 2003, 16, 4, 739-754 (with Justus Veenman)

Is cannabis a stepping-stone for cocaine, *Journal of Health Economics*, 2003, 22, 539-554.

From welfare to work: does the neighbourhood matter? *Journal of Public Economics*, 2003, 87, 957-985 (with Bas van der Klaauw)

Expert opinion and compensation: evidence from a musical competition, *American Economic Review*, 2003, 93, no. 1, 289-296 (with Victor A. Ginsburgh)

Fast track or failure: a study of the graduation and dropout rates of Ph.D. students in economics,

*Economics of Education Review*, 2003, 22, 157-166(with Geert Ridder)

The effects of government policy on drug use reconsidered *Journal of Economic History*, 2002, 62, 4, 1122 - 1125 (with Eric van Luijk)

Drug use and drug policy, *Journal of Institutional and Theoretical Economics*, 2002, 158, 576 - 593 (with Eric W. van Luijk)

Do stepping stone jobs exist? Early career paths in the medical profession, *Journal of Population Economics*, 2002, 15, 4, 647-665 (with Gerard J. van den Berg and Anders Holm)

The anatomy of unemployment dynamics, *European Economic Review*, 2002, 46, 1785-1824, 2002 (with Jaap H. Abbring and Gerard J. van den Berg)

Worker turnover at the firm level and crowding out of lower educated workers, *European Economic Review*, 2002, 46, 3, 523-538 (with Pieter A. Gautier, Gerard J. van den Berg and Geert Ridder)

Unemployment and labor market institutions: an empirical analysis, *Journal of Japanese and International Economies*, 2001, 15, 4, 403-418 (with Michèle Belot)

Business cycles and compositional variation in U.S. unemployment, *Journal of Business and Economic Statistics*, 2001, 19, 4, 436-448 (with Jaap H. Abbring and Gerard J. van den Berg)

The declining price anomaly in Dutch rose auctions, *American Economic Review*, 2001, 91, 1055-1062 (with Gerard J. van den Berg and Menno P. Pradhan)

The effect of government policy on drug use; Java, 1875-1904, *Journal of Economic History*, 2001, 61, 1-18 (with Eric W. van Luijk)

Why has unemployment in the Netherlands and the United Kingdom fallen so much?, *Canadian Public Policy*, 26, 2000, S201-220 (with Stephen J. Nickell)

The Netherlands and the United Kingdom: a European unemployment miracle?, *Economic Policy*, 30, 2000, 137-175 (with Stephen J. Nickell)

## RECENT DISCUSSION PAPERS CENTER FOR ECONOMIC RESEARCH

For a full overview see: <http://center.uvt.nl/staff/ours/dps.html>

No 05-086: Age-specific cyclical effects in job reallocation and labor mobility (with Anne Gielen)

No 05-052: Cannabis prices and the dynamics of cannabis use (with Jenny Williams)

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No 05-016: Ecstasy and cocaine: patterns of use among prime age individuals in Amsterdam published in *Addictive Behaviors* 2005

No 05-015: Cannabis, cocaine and jobs forthcoming in *Journal of Applied Econometrics*

No 05-014: Cannabis, cocaine and wages

No 05-013: The Economics of books (with Marcel Cannoy and Rick van der Ploeg) forthcoming in North-Holland's *Handbook of the Economics of Art and Culture*,, chapter 21

No 05-012: Cannabis use when it's legal

No 05-011: Age at immigration and educational attainment of young immigrants (with Justus Veenman) forthcoming in *Economics Letters*

No 04-087: Effective active labor market policies (with Jan Boone)

No 04-086: How changes in financial incentives affect the duration of unemployment (with Rafael Lalive and Josef Zweimuller)

No 04-08: Experiments on unemployment benefit sanctions and job search behavior (with Jan Boone and Abdolkarim Sadrieh)

No 03-93: Nonparametric estimation of a dependent competing risks model for unemployment durations (with Gerard van den Berg and Gijsbert van Lomwel)

No 03-32: Has the Dutch miracle come to an end?

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No 03-4: On the employment effects of part-time labor forthcoming in *De Economist* (with Gijsbert van Lomwel)

No 02-105: From parent to child: early labor market experiences of second-generation immigrants in The Netherlands (with Justus Veenman) published *De Economist* (2004)

No 02-98: Cyclical fluctuations in workplace accidents (with Jan Boone)

No 02-60: The locking-in effects of subsidized jobs; published in *Journal of Comparative Economics* (2004)

No 02-48: Welfare effects of employment protection (with Michele Belot and Jan Boone)

No 02-20: A pint a day raises a man's pay; but smoking blows that gain away; published in *Journal of Health Economics* (2004)

No 02-19: The effect of benefit sanctions on the duration of unemployment, forthcoming in *Journal of the European Economic Association*(with Rafael Lalive and Josef Zweimuller)

No 01-98: Is cannabis a stepping stone for cocaine?; published in *Journal of Health Economics* (2003)

No 01-85: Optimal unemployment insurance with monitoring and sanctions (with Jan Boone, Peter Fredriksson and Bertil Holmlund)

No 01-50: Unemployment and labor market institutions : an empirical analysis (with Michele Belot) published in *Journal of Japanese and International Economies* (2001)

No 01-49: Using employer hiring behavior to test the educational signaling hypothesis (with Jim W. Albrecht)

No 01-29: Does it pay to do well in competitions? : the case of the Queen Elizabeth Piano Competition (with Victor Ginsburgh) published in *American Economic Review* (2003)

No 01-20: The educational attainment of second generation immigrants in the Netherlands (with Justus Veenman) published in *Journal of Population Economics* (2003)

No 00-85: Gender wage differentials in a competitive labor market: the household interaction effect (with Patrick Francois)

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No 00-40: Does the recent success of some OECD countries in lowering their unemployment rates lie in the clever design of their labour market reforms? (with M. Belot); published in *Oxford Economic Papers* 2004

No 00-10: Do active labor market policies help unemployed workers to find and keep regular jobs? published in a Physica-Verlag book (2001)

No 00-2: Modeling financial incentives to get unemployed back to work (with J. Boone) forthcoming in *Journal of Institutional and Theoretical Economics* (2005)