

Curriculum vitae

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Summary

Peter-Paul Verbeek (1970) is distinguished professor (universiteitshoogleraar) of Philosophy of Technology and co-director of the DesignLab of the University of Twente, The Netherlands. He is also honorary professor of techno-anthropology at Aalborg University, Denmark. His research focuses on the philosophy of human-technology relations, with a specific emphasis on the ethics of technology and responsible design. His publications include *Moralizing Technology: Understanding and Designing the Morality of Things* (University of Chicago Press, 2011) and *What Things Do: Philosophical Reflections on Technology, Agency, and Design* (Penn State University Press, 2005).

Verbeek is chairperson of the UNESCO World Commission for the Ethics of Science and Technology (COMEST). He is also a member of the Supervisory Board of TNO (Dutch Organization for applied scientific research), the board of the Rathenau Institute, the Dutch Council for the Humanities (Royal Netherlands Academy of Arts and Sciences), the program council for Responsible Innovation (NWO – Dutch Research Council), the Netherlands National Commission for UNESCO, the Committee for the Freedom of Scientific Pursuit (Royal Netherlands Academy of Arts and Sciences), and the Sector Plan Committee for Social Science and Humanities (Dutch Ministry of Education, Culture, and Science). He is a fellow of the Royal Netherlands Academy of Arts and Sciences (KNAW), the Academy for Technology and Innovation (AcTI) and of the Royal Holland Society of Sciences (KHMW). In 2012, he received the Borghraef Prize (KU Leuven) in biomedical ethics. In 2016, he was awarded the World Technology Award in Ethics. His work has received several awards, including a VENI award (2003), VIDI award (2007), VICI Award (2014), Gravitation Award (2019, as one of 6 Pl's), membership of The Young Academy (2009), the Borghraef Prize in Biomedical Ethics 2012 (Leuven University), and the World Technology Award in Ethics 2016 (World Technology Network).

1. Employment

Current

- 2018 – present** **Distinguished professor, University of Twente** (universiteitshoogleraar)
Philosophy of Technology, University of Twente, Faculty of Behavioural, Management, and Social Sciences, Department of Philosophy
- 2015 – present** **Scientific Co-director, DesignLab University of Twente**
DesignLab University of Twente
- 2016 – present** **Honorary professor adjunct, Aalborg University**
Techno-Anthropology, Aalborg University, Faculty of Science and Engineering
- 2012 – present** **Member of Supervisory Board (Raad van Toezicht), TNO**
Chair of the Quality Committee. Specific focus on quality care, ethical issues, and Responsible Research and Innovation.
- 2016 – present** **Board member, Rathenau Institute (vice chair since 2019)**
Dutch Institute for Technology Assessment and Science Policy.
- 2020 – present** **Member, Domain Board Social Sciences and Humanities,**
Dutch Research Council NWO
- 2018 – present** **Member, Sector Plan Committee Social Sciences and Humanities**
Ministry of Education, Culture, and Science
- 2019 – present** **Chairperson, UNESCO-COMEST**
World Commission for the Ethics of Science and Technology
- 2013 – present** **Member, Program Council Responsible Innovation**
Dutch Research Council NWO
- 2017 – present** **Member, Committee for the Freedom of Scientific Pursuit**
Royal Netherlands Academy of Arts and Sciences
- 2017 – present** **Member of Netherlands National Commission for UNESCO**
UNESCO-Netherlands

Past

- 2009 – 2018** **Full professor**
Philosophy of Human-Technology Relations, University of Twente, Faculty of Behavioural, Management, and Social Sciences, Department of Philosophy
- 2015 – 2017** **Vice dean**
Faculty of Behavioural, Management, and Social Sciences,
University of Twente

2016 – 2019	Member UNESCO-COMEST (Chair since 2019) World Commission for the Ethics of Science and Technology
2011 – 2019	Member of the Dutch Council for the Humanities Royal Netherlands Academy of Arts and Sciences
2009 – 2012	Full professor (endowed chair) 0,2 fte Socrates chair, Philosophy of Human Enhancement, Delft University of Technology (endowed)
2006 - 2011	Program Director International Master Program Philosophy of Science, Technology, and Society (University of Twente)
2006	Guest professor Aarhus University, Denmark (Center for Studies of Science, Technology, and Society, Department of Information- and Media Studies, Faculty of Humanities)
2005 – 2009	Associate professor University of Twente, Faculty of Behavioural Science, Department of Philosophy
1998 – 2005	Assistant professor University of Twente, Faculty of Behavioural Science, Department of Philosophy (tenured)
1995 – 1998	PhD candidate University of Twente, Department of Philosophy (0,8 fte) <i>beside this: pianist at theater company De Nieuwe Koning, Enschede (0,2 fte)</i>

2. Academic Leadership and Management

current

- **Scientific co-director DesignLab University of Twente (2015 – present)**
Member of the management team of the DesignLab, responsible for the ‘Responsible Design’ activities of the Lab.
- **Chair, RESTS education University of Twente (REflection on Science, Technology, and Society, 2014 – present)**
Responsible for the development, implementation, and evaluation of education in reflection on science, technology, and society in all bachelor programmes of the University of Twente.
- **Chair, Philosophy of Technology, University of Twente (2009-present)**
Responsible for one of the three research lines of the Department of Philosophy: Philosophy of Human-Technology Relations. Supervising the work of 3 staff members and 10 PhD students.

past

- **Vice dean**, Faculty of Behavioural, Management, and Social Sciences (2015 – 2017)
- **Department Chair**, Department of Philosophy, University of Twente (2013 – 2015)
- **Program Director**, International Master Program Philosophy of Science, Technology, and Society

(University of Twente), 2006 – 2011

- **Member of Management Team**, Faculty of Behavioural Science (University of Twente), 2010 – 2011; 2013 – 2014
- **Chairperson**, Program Committee *Philosophy of Science, Technology, and Society*, University of Twente (2004 – 2006)
- **Chairperson**, Career Development Committee Faculty of Behavioral, Management, and Social Sciences (2015 – 2020)

University committees and councils

- **Chairperson**, Campus Art Advisory Committee (2018 – present)
- **Member**, Prizes and Awards Committee, University of Twente (2010 – present)

Past committees and councils

- **Member**, Committee for Ethics and Health (Ministry of Health, 2015 – 2019)
- **President**, Society for Philosophy and Technology (2013 – 2015)
- **Member**, KNAW Committee *Integrity and Trust in Science and Policy* (2012)
- **Chair**, *The Young Academy* (a division of the KNAW, Royal Netherlands Academy of Arts and Sciences, 2011 – 2013)
- **Co-chair**, subdivision ‘Science and Society’ of *The Young Academy* (2010 – 2011)
- **Board Member**, Society for Philosophy and Technology (2009 – 2013)

3. Prizes and Awards

- 2019: **Gravitation Award**, Dutch Ministry of Science, Culture, and Education (M€ 19,6; one of 6 PI’s in 10-year research project on the Ethics of Socially Disruptive Technologies)
- 2018: **‘Supervisor of the year’** award, Dutch Research School of Philosophy
- 2018: Appointed **member of KNAW**, Royal Netherlands Academy of Arts and Sciences
- 2016: Awarded the **World Technology Award in Ethics** (World Technology Network, New York; annual prize in the ethics of technology)
- 2016: Guest professorship **Shanghai Jiao Tong University, China** (honorary professorship, School of History and Culture of Science)
- 2016: Appointed member of **ACTI**, Academy for Technology and Innovation
- 2014: **VICI** award, Netherlands Organization for Scientific Research (EUR 1.500.000)
- 2012: Awarded the prof. **Roger Borghgraef Prize** in Biomedical Ethics (K.U. Leuven)
- 2012: Appointed member of the **Koninklijke Hollandse Maatschappij der Wetenschappen**
- 2009: Appointed member of **De Jonge Akademie** (The Young Academy), a division of the Koninklijke Nederlandse Akademie van Wetenschappen (Royal Dutch Academy of Science).

- 2007: **VIDI** award, Netherlands Organization for Scientific Research (EUR 800.000)
- 2006: Guest Professorship **Aarhus University**, Denmark
- 2003: **VENI** award, Netherlands Organization for Scientific Research (EUR 200.000)

3. Education

Doctorate:

University: Universiteit Twente, The Netherlands 1995 – 2000
 Field: Philosophy
 (area of specialization: Philosophy of Technology)
 (area of competence: Science and Technology Studies)
 Date: 8 December 2000
 Promotor / Advisor: Prof.dr. H.J. Achterhuis
 Title dissertation: De Daadkracht der Dingen – over techniek, filosofie en vormgeving
 (Amsterdam: Uitgeverij Boom, 2000)

Undergraduate:

University: Universiteit Twente
 Programme: Philosophy of Science, Technology, and Society,
 combined with Applied Physics (1989-1994)
 Propedeutic Exam: Applied Physics (1988-1989)
 Date of graduation: 15 December 1994

4. Teaching

Peter-Paul Verbeek has been teaching many courses at the university, ranging from Philosophy of Technology to Ethics of Design, from Philosophical Anthropology to Ethics and Philosophy of Science, and from Philosophy of Communication to Engineering Ethics.

5. Publications

Peter-Paul Verbeek is the author of several books, editor of several collections, and author of over 100 scientific articles and book chapters. His book publications include ‘Moralizing Technology: Understanding and Designing the Morality of Things’, ‘What Things Do: Philosophical Reflections on Technology, Agency, and Design’, and the collections ‘The Moral Status of Technical Artefacts (edited with Peter Kroes) and ‘Postphenomenological Investigations: Essays in Human-Technology Relations’ (edited with Robert Rosenberger). For a full publication list see www.ppverbeek.nl, section ‘publications’.