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Curriculum Vitae

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Personal Data

Born 8 January 1963, Baarn, Netherlands
Marital status Married with two sons

Education

2011–2013 **Master of Logic (cum laude)**, *ILLC*, Amsterdam, Netherlands.
1993–1996 **Lerarenopleiding Wiskunde Eerstegraads**, *Hogeschool Holland*, Amsterdam, Netherlands.
1990–1993 **Lerarenopleiding Wiskunde Tweedegraads**, *Hogeschool Holland*, Amsterdam, Netherlands.
1981–1988 **Doctoraal Biologie**, *Vrije Universiteit*, Amsterdam, Netherlands.

Master Thesis

Title *Kinds, Composition, and the Identification Problem*
Date August 2013
Supervisor Prof. Robert van Rooij
Description The assumption of *kinds* (universals), though intuitive, give rises to the *Identification Problem*: which sets are kinds? The assumption that kindhood coincides with similarity is worked out, allowing the derivation of composite kinds as an alternative to the reification of (structural) universals.

Employment

2000–current **Planning and Application Manager**, *Gerrit van der Veen College*, Amsterdam, Netherlands.
1996–2000 **Teacher Mathematics (grade-one)**, *Oec. Scholengem. Het Bakem*, Almere, Netherlands.
1991–1996 **Teacher Mathematics (grade-two)**, *Chr. Scholengem. Pascal*, Amsterdam, Netherlands.

Publications

- 2013 Booj, Elbert, and Galit W. Sassoon (2013) Big Differences: The standard for 'big' as used by adults and children. Proceedings of the Israel Association of Theoretical Linguistics (IATL) 29. MIT working Papers in Linguistics

Conference Presentations

- 2013 (with Galit Weidman Sassoon) Classification under 'big': The role of leaps in distributions and its delayed acquisition (Poster). The 5th biennial conference of experimental pragmatics (XPRAG 5). Utrecht University.
- 2013 (with Galit Weidman Sassoon) Big Differences: The standard for 'big' as used by adults and children. Israel Association of Theoretical Linguistics (IATL) 29.

PhD Project

- Title (Provisional) *The Metaphysics of Similarity*
- Start 15 April 2014
- Supervisors Prof. Robert van Rooij and Prof. Franz Berto
- Description The aim of the project is to further develop the ideas from the Master thesis, in particular to gain a better understanding of *relative* similarity, hoping that the findings will prove relevant to the understanding of concepts and conceptual spaces.