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Curriculum Vitae

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Current Positions:

Associate Professor at the Department of Economics, Econometrics and Finance, Faculty of Economics and Business, December 1st 2018 – Present

Program Director MSc Finance, September 1st 2024 - Present

Chair of Programme committee for bachelor programme E&BE, University of Groningen, September 1st 2023 – present.

Sponsored Pokémon TCG Player and Consultant, Dragon Shield (Arcane Tinmen), February 2017 – present. Provide information on the Pokémon market.

Education:

Ph.d. in Economics – University of Groningen (2015-August 2018).

Thesis: “*Impact Evaluations, Bias and Bias Reduction – Non-experimental methods, and their identification strategies*”.

Supervisors: Robert Lensink and Francesco Checchi

Examiners: Prof. Rob Alessie, Prof. Ruerd Ruben and Prof. Charles Adjasi.

MSc Research in Economics and business, University of Groningen (2012-2014).

MSc Finance (*cum laude*), University of Groningen (2012-2014).

BSc.scient.oecon, University of Southern Denmark (2009-2012).

Previous Employment/Positions:

Program Coordinator MSc Finance, October 1st 2021 – August 31st 2024.

Member of Faculty Counsel FEB, University of Groningen, May 25th 2021 – August 31st 2023.

Member of the Board of Examiners FEB, University of Groningen, March 1st 2020 – October 1st 2021.

Lecturer, Department of Economics, Econometrics and Finance, Faculty of Economics and Business, September 2018 – December 2018.

Researcher, Department of Economics, Econometrics and Finance, Faculty of Economics and Business, September 2014 – August 2015.

Research Assistant, Department of Economics, Econometrics and Finance, Faculty of Economics and Business, September 2013 – August 2014.

Instructor, Department of Business & Economics, University of Southern Denmark, January 2012 – July 2012.

Publications:

1. De Ridder A, **Eriksen S.**, Scholtens B (2024) The art of valuation: Using visual analysis to price classical paintings by Swedish Masters. PLoS ONE 19(1): e0296906. <https://doi.org/10.1371/journal.pone.0296906>
2. Wiese, R., & **Eriksen, S.** (2024), Willingness to pay for improved public education and public healthcare systems: the role of income mobility prospects. *Fiscal Studies*, 45, 55–76. <https://doi.org/10.1111/1475-5890.12359>
3. Garcia, A., Checchi, F., **Eriksen, S.**, & Lensink, R. (2021). The Plus in Credit-Plus-Technical Assistance: Evidence from a Rural Microcredit Programme in Bolivia. *Journal of Development Studies*. Vol 58. P275-291. doi: <https://doi.org/10.1080/00220388.2021.1928639>
4. **Eriksen, S.**, & Wiese, R. (2019). Policy induced increases in private healthcare financing provide short-term relief of total healthcare expenditure growth: Evidence from OECD countries. *European Journal of Political Economics*. Vol 59. p71-82. doi: <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.ejpoleco.2019.02.001>

5. **Eriksen, S.** (2018): "Impact Evaluations, Bias and Bias Reduction – Non-experimental methods, and their identification strategies". ISBN: 978-94-034-1066-1 (printed version), 978-94-034-1065-4 (electronic version).
6. **Eriksen, S.**, Lutz, C. & Tadesse, G. (2018): Social desirability, opportunism and actual support for farmers' market organizations in Ethiopia. *Journal of development studies*. doi: <https://doi.org/10.1080/00220388.2017.1299138>
7. Lensink et al. (2016): Endline Report MFS II Evaluation for Ethiopia, *FMO*, Link: <https://goo.gl/5SjDhB>
8. **Eriksen, S.**, & Lensink, R. (2015): Measuring the impact of an ongoing microcredit project: evidence from a study in Ghana. *Journal of Development Effectiveness*. Vol 7(4). doi: <https://doi.org/10.1080/19439342.2015.1095782>
9. 'A Billion to Gain? 2014': Social impact of microfinance in India and Ghana. *NpM & ING*, Link: <https://goo.gl/3oobYd>

Working papers:

1. **Eriksen, S.** & Moll, C. Depression and Rumination in Nerd Culture: The Pokémon Trading Card Game Community.
2. Cecchi, F., **Eriksen, S.**, Lensink, R. & Mosley, P. Is Microcredit Effective? It depends on the Context New Results from a Study in Bolivia.
3. Hansen, N. & **Eriksen, S.** Alternative basic education and current policy practice. The case of a non-formal education in elementary school in Ethiopia.
4. **Eriksen, S.**, Wansbeek, T. & Wessels, R. The effect of income on happiness is overstated when wealth is neglected.
5. Werleman, S., **Eriksen, S.** & Scholtens, B. A Critical Review of the Definitions and Classifications of Sub-National Island Jurisdictions.
6. Werleman, S., **Eriksen, S.** & Scholtens, B. Exploring the evidence on the association between monetary and financial policy shocks and climate finance: The case of the Small Island Developing States
7. De Ridder, A., **Eriksen, S.**, Parkhomenko, M. & Scholtens, B. Art as Investment? The Case of Swedish Master Paintings.
8. **Eriksen, S.** & Dam, L. A New Asset Class? The Pokémon Trading Card Game.
9. De Ridder, A., **Eriksen, S.** & Scholtens, B. Price elasticities and art paintings – The Case of Swedish masters.
10. **Eriksen, S.**, Wiese, R. & Herrmann, O. Guess what? The Effect of Changing the Guessing Correction on Students' Study behavior.

Teaching and Supervision

Evaluations and Awards at the University of Groningen:

All A/A+ evaluations. Listed multiple times in the top-5 of most valued lectures and most valued courses of the Faculty of Economics and Business.
 Finalist for Lecturer of the Year 2019 Award at the Faculty of Economics and Business.
 Winner Best Practice in Teaching and Learning awards 2020-2021 Jury Award
 Winner Best Practice in Teaching and Learning awards 2020-2021 Public Award
 Winner Best Practice in Teaching and Learning awards 2022 Honours College Award

Courses at the University of Groningen:

2015 – present: "Research Methods for Finance" (Master).
 2018 – present: "Asset Pricing and Capital Budgeting" (Bachelor).
 2018 – present: "Econometrics for Minor Finance" (Bachelor).
 2018 – present: Master thesis supervision.
 2022 – present: "Combinatorics and Randomization in Card Games" (Bachelor Honours)
 2023 – present: "Data Analytics for Finance" (Master)
 2016 – 2022: University coordinator CFA research challenge.
 2019 – 2022: 1st year Tutor for BSc EOR.
 2020 – 2021: Pre-MSc EMBA
 2018 – 2019: "Matrix and Optimization" (Bachelor)
 2017 – 2022: "Programming for EOR" (Bachelor).
 2015 – 2016: "Asset Pricing and Capital Budgeting" (Bachelor).
 2014 – 2015, 2018 – 2019: "Economics for IB" (Bachelor)
 2013 – 2014: "Finance and Development" (Master – *Guest Lecture*)

Summer Courses and other short courses:

2019: Impact evaluation for the Ghana Statistical Service, Accra (Ghana).
2017: Summer School on Impact Evaluation, Can Tho University (Vietnam).
2016: Summer School on Impact Evaluation, University of Groningen.
2015: Summer School on Impact Evaluation, University of Groningen.

Courses at University of Southern Denmark:

2011 – 2012: “Econometrics with Applications” (Bachelor)

Supervision of PhD Dissertations

In progress

Stephanie Werleman (joint with Bert Scholtens), 2020-. *PhD position funded by the Central Bank of Aruba.*

Conferences, Seminar Presentations and Other Presentations:

Presentation at the conference: Turning the Tide: Climate Change, Social Change, and Islandness together with Stephanie Werleman. October 24th 2023.
Presentation at the Central Bank of Aruba together with Stephanie Werleman. October 23rd 2023.
Seminar presentation at the global Professor conference on the topic of randomization. July 23rd 2023.
Seminar presentation at a Professor Seminar in Malmø on the topic of randomization. May 19th 2023.
Moderator economic event EBF at Euroborg. May 1st 2023.
Organized (TAG) workshop: What's your Blend? April 23rd 2023.
Organized (TAG) workshop: Striking Successes and Fabulous Failures. March 29th 2023.
Seminar presentation at SPE Utrecht. Presented paper titled: “Depression and Rumination in Nerd Culture - The Pokémon Trading Card Game Community” March 17th 2023.
FEB's Inspire and Connect Event – Technology Enhanced Learning, April 2022.
FEB Education festival – Panel on assesment. Online. 2021.
ABN AMRO. Online. 2021.
FebCon 8. RUG. 2020.
SHARE coference. Cologne. 2019.
Seminar presentation at the Department of Business and Economics, University of Southern Denmark. 2018.
Seminar presentation at the department of Health Economics, University of Duisburg-Essen. 2017.
5th European Research Conference on Microfinance. Portmuth Business School. 2017.

Peer review:

The Journal of Development Studies.

Certificates:

Academic Leadership I, February 2023.
Senior Teaching Qualification (STQ), June 2020.
University Teaching Qualification (UTQ), June 2017.

Grants:

“TAG SoTL grant”, Teaching Academy Groningen, September 2023 (5,000 Euro).
“Institutional Investors and Payouts”, Nasdaq Nordic Foundation (the “Foundation”), September 2020 (20,000 Euro).
“Investment behavior in the wake of COVID-19”, Vinnova, November 2021 (100,000 Euro).
Unsuccessful:

Skills:

Microsoft Office Tools, LaTeX, Stata, R, Eviews, SPSS and OBS

Additional information

Content creator for Steffen's Classroom:

YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/c/SteffensClassroom>

Twitch: https://www.twitch.tv/steffens_classroom

Volunteer work: League leader for Pokémon Trading Card Game leagues from 2007-2017.

-Lumby Pokémon League 2007-2012 (Lumby, Denmark)
-Purpereen Liga 2012-2017 (Groningen, the Netherlands)
Pokémon TCG Organizer and Judge (2007 – present)

References

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2. Prof. dr. B.W. (Robert) Lensink. Faculty of Economics and Business, University of Groningen, Nettelbosje 2, 9747 AE Groningen, NL. Tlf: +31 50 36 33712
Email: b.w.lensink@rug.nl
3. Jonas Christiansen. Digital Marketing Manager, Arcane Tinmen ApS (Dragon Shield), Oervadsvej 55A+G, 8220 Brabrand, DK. Tlf: +45 5123 7663
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4. Professor dr. Viola Angelini. Research Director. Faculty of Economics and Business, University of Groningen, Nettelbosje 2, 9747 AE Groningen, NL. Tlf: +31 50 36 33852
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