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Education

2008	PhD, Economic History, University of Groningen (<i>6 March 2008</i>)
2001	MA, History, University of Groningen (<i>Cum Laude</i>)
2001	MSc, Economics, University of Groningen
1997-01	BA program Philosophy and Religion Studies, University of Groningen

Employment

2022-	Full Professor and Chair of Economic and Environmental History, Wageningen University (1.0fte)
2015-	Full Professor and Chair of Rural and Environmental History, Wageningen University (1.0fte)
2012-15	Full Professor and Chair of Rural and Environmental History, Wageningen University (0.8fte)
2012-15	Assistant Professor, Faculty of Humanities, Utrecht University (0.2fte)
2011-12	Assistant Professor, Faculty of Humanities, Utrecht University (1.0fte)
2008-11	Post-doc researcher, Faculty of Humanities, Utrecht University (1.0fte)
2007-08	Contract researcher, The Conference Board Europe, Brussels (1.0fte)
2003-07	PhD student, Faculty of Economics, University of Groningen (1.0fte)
2003-04	Contract researcher, International Labour Organisation, Geneva
2003-04	Contract researcher, Faculty of History, Leiden University
2002-03	Contract researcher, Center for People and Buildings, Delft University of Technology
2001-03	Junior teacher, Faculty of History and Faculty of Economics, University of Groningen
1999-01	Teaching Assistant, Faculty of Philosophy, University of Groningen

Other positions

2026-	Editorial board of <i>The European Review of Economic History</i>
2022-	Chair of the Academic Board of the <i>N.W. Posthumus Institute</i> (NWP), Inter-University Research School for Economic and Social History in the Netherlands and Flanders
2022-24	Head of the <i>Section Economics</i> , Social Sciences Group, Wageningen University
2019-23	Editor-in-chief of the <i>Journal of Global History</i>
2017-20	Editorial board of <i>The Journal of Economic History</i>
2018-22	Elected member of the Advisory Board for the Humanities (RGW) of the Royal Netherlands Academy of Arts and Sciences (KNAW)
2024-	Elected research associate of the <i>Centre for Economic Policy Research</i> (CEPR)
2016-23	Elected research fellow of the <i>Centre for Economic Policy Research</i> (CEPR)
2014-23	Scientific advisory committee member of the <i>International Institute of Social History</i> , Amsterdam
2014-19	Elected member of the <i>Young Academy</i> (DJA), appointed by the Royal Netherlands Academy of Arts and Sciences (KNAW)
2013-	Director, co-editor of the <i>African Economic History Textbook Project</i> , developing teaching materials for African teachers and undergraduate students
2012-15	<i>Visiting fellow</i> of the Department of Economic History, School of Economics and Management, Lund University
2012-23	Co-director of the <i>Dutch Agronomic Historical Institute</i> (NAHI)
2012-	General board of the <i>N.W. Posthumus Institute: Research School for Economic and Social History in the Netherlands and Flanders</i>
2012-	Research fellow of the Wageningen School of Social Sciences (WASS), Wageningen University
2011-	Co-founder and board of the <i>African Economic History Network</i> , Lund University, http://www.aehnetwork.org/
2011-14	Co-executive editor of <i>The Low Countries Journal of Social and Economic History - Tijdschrift voor Sociale en Economische Geschiedenis</i> (TSEG)
2010-	Advisory board of the <i>Maddison Project</i>
2010-15	Co-founder and board of the <i>Centre for Global Economic History</i> (CGEH), Utrecht University; editor of CGEH Working Paper Series (2010-2013)
2010-14	Co-editor of <i>The Low Countries Journal of Social and Economic History – Tijdschrift voor Sociale en Economische Geschiedenis</i> (TSEG)
2009	Organizing committee of the XVth <i>World Economic History Congress</i> , Utrecht 2009 (responsible for media and press)
2009-	Editorial board of <i>Economic History of Developing Regions</i> (EHDR)
2008-12	Co-director of the research program <i>Drivers and Carriers of Globalisation</i> , N.W. Posthumus Institute for Social and Economic History
2004-	Research fellow of the <i>N.W. Posthumus Institute: Research School for Economic and Social History in the Netherlands and Flanders</i>
2003-08	Research fellow of the Groningen Growth and Development Centre

Awards, grants & honours

- 2022 **International Economic History Association Dissertation Prize** for the PhD-thesis of Katherine Frederick, *Deindustrialization in East Africa: textile production in an era of globalization and colonization, c. 1830-1940* (Thesis defended 22 May 2018, Wageningen University, co-supervised with Elise van Nederveen Meerkerk)
- 2021 **VICI-research grant** (€1,500,000), Dutch Science Foundation (NWO), awarded to the project: South-South Divergence. Comparative Histories of Regional Integration in Southeast Asia and Sub-Saharan Africa since 1850.
- 2020 PhD-thesis of Michiel de Haas, *Rural Livelihoods and Agricultural Commercialization in Colonial Uganda: Conjunctures of External Influences and Local Realities*, finalist of the **Gino Luzzatto Dissertation Prize** awarded by the European Historical Economics Society. Chapter one also received the **T.S. Ashton Award** for best ‘young scholar’ publication in the *Economic History Review* 2017-18.
(Thesis defended 20 September 2017, Wageningen University, co-supervised with Niek Koning)
- 2020 ‘Africa Rising? A Historical Perspective’ **nominated for the Stephen Ellis Prize** 2020 awarded to the best paper in *African Affairs* 2018-19.
- 2019 **AMMODO Science Award** (€300,000). Prize awarded by the Ammodo foundation and the Royal Netherlands Academy of Arts and Sciences (KNAW) to acknowledge the scientific achievement of excellent, internationally recognized, mid-career scholars (category Humanities).
- 2018 ‘From Coercion to Compensation: Institutional Responses to Labour Scarcity in the Central African Copperbelt’ **shortlisted for the Elinor Ostrom Prize** 2019 for best paper published in the *Journal of Institutional Economics* 2018.
- 2018 **Young Academy project grant** (€ 3,000) for setting up a course on African Economic History at the African School of Economics (ASE), Benin.
- 2018 **Wageningen Social Science Department grant** (€ 9,000) for organizing a workshop on Intra-African Migration, joint with Michiel de Haas.
- 2018 **EHS Thirsk-Feinstein Dissertation Award** for the PhD-thesis of Corinne Boter, *Dutch Divergence? Women’s work, structural change, and household living standards in the Netherlands, 1830-1914*
(Thesis defended 16 June 2017, Wageningen University, co-supervised with Elise van Nederveen Meerkerk)
- 2017 **Wageningen University excellent education prize** for – The History of Food Production, 2016-17 (FPH-21306, course taught with Guido Sala)
- 2015 **Young Academy project grant** (€ 4,000) for the creation of two video’s for the online African Economic History Textbook.
- 2014 **Young Academy science communication grant** (€ 4,000) for the creation of a personal video. Published in *de Volkskrant online* (18 December 2014).
- 2014 Supervisor RMA Katherine Frederick *Global Competition in the Local Marketplace: The Impact of Foreign Cotton Cloth Imports on British West African Cotton Textile Industries during the Pre-colonial and Colonial Eras*. **Nominated for the Best Thesis Award 2013** of Utrecht University.
- 2014 Invited to give the annual **Epstein Memorial Lecture**, London School of Economics and Political Science (06 March 2014)

- Title of the Lecture: 'Is Africa Growing out of Poverty?'
- 2013 **Arthur H. Cole Prize** (\$250) for *best article in the Journal of Economic History* (June 2012 – June 2013) awarded to Frankema, E. and M. van Waijenburg (2012) 'Structural Impediments to African Growth? New Evidence from British African Real Wages, 1880-1965', *The Journal of Economic History*, 72, 4, 895-926.
- 2013 **Wageningen School of Social Sciences Publication Award 2013** (€5.000) for *best WASS publication of the year 2012* awarded to Frankema, E. and M. van Waijenburg (2012) 'Structural Impediments to African Growth? New Evidence from British African Real Wages, 1880-1965', *The Journal of Economic History*, 72, 4, 895-926.
- 2012 **Visiting Fellow Grant** of the Department of Economic History, School of Economics and Management, Lund University (€32.700)
- 2012 **Independent Researcher Starting Grant** (€ 1,500,000), European Research Council (ERC), awarded to the project: *Is Poverty Destiny? A New Empirical Foundation of Long Term African Welfare Analysis*
- 2012 **VIDI-research grant** (€ 800,000), Dutch Science Foundation (NWO), awarded to the project: *Is Poverty Destiny? Exploring Long Term Changes in African Living Standards in Global Perspective*
- 2011 'Colonial Taxation and Government Spending in British Africa, 1880-1940: Maximizing Revenue or Minimizing Effort?', **nominated for the Larry Neal Prize awarded to the best paper award** in the *Explorations in Economic History* 2010-11 at the *Economic History Association Annual Meeting*, Boston, 2nd runner-up.
- 2010 Supervisor MA Thesis Marlous van Waijenburg *Living Standards in British Africa in a Comparative Perspective, 1880-1945: Is poverty destiny?* Awarded with **the IISG/Volkskrant prize** for best thesis in History (€ 1,500) and **best MA Thesis** of the UU Faculty of Humanities in the category "Social Relevance" (€ 500)
- 2010 **VNC-grant** (€ 12,500) for the organization of two workshops on *The History of Colonial Extraction: A Comparative Analysis of the Dutch East Indies and Belgian Congo*, awarded by the Flemish-Dutch Committee for Dutch Language and Culture (VNC) of the combined Flemish and Dutch Science Foundation (FWO/NWO), joint with Stefaan Marysse, University of Antwerp
- 2008 **VENI-research grant** (€ 208,000), Dutch Science Foundation (NWO), awarded to the project: *The Colonial Origins of Inequality: A Comparative Analysis of Fiscal Regimes in Asia, Africa and the New World, 1492-2000*
- 2007 "Over de rol van cultuur en social cohesie in de economische geschiedenis" **best paper award** in the contest "future perspectives on the field of economic and social history", organized by the International Institute of Social History (Amsterdam) and the N.W. Posthumus Institute
- 2006 **Research travel grant** (€ 5,000) from the Dutch Science Foundation (NWO) for research visit to the *Center for the Evolution of the Global Economy*, Department of Economics, University of California, Davis
- 2006 Paper selected (20/180) for *3rd World Bank Conference on Inequality*. World Bank, Washington D.C. (incl. World Bank Travel-grant)

- 2003 **SOM Research School PhD grant** for the project: *The Historical Evolution of Inequality in Latin America: A Comparative Analysis, 1870-2000* (c. € 160,000). Department of Economics, University of Groningen
- 2000 Het rationaliteitsbegrip van Max Weber. Over het vrijheidsprobleem van de moderne mens, *Acta Philosophica Groningana*, No. 30 **awarded best paper of the Research Design Course**, Faculty of Philosophy, University of Groningen

Research projects

- 2021-26 (Principle investigator) NWO VICI project *South-South Divergence. Comparative Histories of Regional Integration in Southeast Asia and Sub-Saharan Africa since 1850*, Wageningen University
- 2020-25 (Principle investigator) KNAW-AMMODO research project *African Trade in Historical Perspective: From the 'Commercial Transition' to the 'Mineral Transition' and Beyond*, Wageningen University
- 2012-17 (Principle investigator) ERC Starting Grant project *Is Poverty Destiny? A New Empirical Foundation of Long Term African Welfare Analysis*, Wageningen University
- 2012-17 (Principle investigator) NWO VIDI project *Is Poverty Destiny? Exploring Long Term Changes in African Living Standards in Global Perspective*, Wageningen University
- 2011-16 (Participant) International collaborative of the *African Economic History Network*, Lund University
- 2008-11 (Principle investigator) NWO VENI project *The Colonial Origins of Inequality: A Comparative Analysis of Fiscal Regimes in Asia, Africa and the New World, 1492-2000*, Utrecht University
- 2008-12 (Participant) ERC 7th Framework Program Collaborative Project *Historical Patterns of Development and Underdevelopment: Origins and Persistence of the Great Divergence* (HI-POD), Utrecht University
- 2007-08 (Participant) The Conference Board research project *Productivity, Performance and Progress in the Gulf Countries*, The Conference Board Europe, Brussels, and the Gulf Investment Corporation, Kuwait-City
- 2004-07 (Principle investigator) SOM Research School PhD project *The Historical Evolution of Inequality in Latin America: A Comparative Analysis, 1870-2000*, University of Groningen
- 2003-04 (Participant) International Labour Organisation research project *Productivity and Employment Growth: An Empirical Review of Long and Medium Run Evidence*. Background study for the ILO, World Employment Report 2003/4, University of Groningen
- 2003-04 (Participant) NWO project *Technological Development and Economic Growth in Indonesia, 1950-2000*, University of Leiden
- 2002-03 (Participant) Center for People and Buildings research project *Office Innovation in Economic Perspective*, Technical University of Delft

Research visits

- 2009 Research visit Economic History Department *London School of Economics and Political Science* (January-February)
- 2007 Research visit *Gulf Investment Cooperation*, Kuwait (April-June)
- 2006 Research visit *Center for the Evolution of the Global Economy*, Department of Economics, University of California, Davis (August-December)
- 2004 Research visit *Food and Agriculture Organisation* (FAO), Rome, Italy (March)
- 2003 Research visit *International Labour Organisation* (ILO), Geneva (July)
- 2003 Research visit *Indonesian Institute of Sciences* (P2E-LIPI), Jakarta, Indonesia (April-May)

PUBLICATIONS

PhD-thesis

1. Frankema, E. (2008) *The Historical Evolution of Inequality in Latin America. A Comparative Perspective, 1870-2000*, SOM research school, University of Groningen. Thesis supervisors: Prof. dr. Bart van Ark (promotor) and dr. Jan Pieter Smits (co-promotor, daily supervisor)

Inaugural lecture

2. Frankema, E. (2013) *Africa and the Green Revolution - A Global Historical Perspective*. Inaugural lecture held upon taking up the chair of Rural and Environmental History at Wageningen University, 23 May 2013

Monographs, edited volumes, special issues (peer-reviewed)

3. E. Frankema and T. Westland (2026 forthcoming) *South-South Divergence. How Tropical Africa and Southeast Asia grew apart before the Green Revolution*, Cambridge University Press: Cambridge, UK
4. E. Frankema and T. Roy, eds. (2026) *The Routledge Handbook of the Economic History of Colonialism*, Routledge: London
5. De Haas, M. and E. Frankema, eds. (2022) *Migration in Africa. Shifting Patterns of Mobility from the 19th to the 21st Century*, Routledge: London (DOI:10.4324/9781003225027)
6. Frankema, E. and H. Tworek, eds. (2020) Pandemics that changed the world: historical reflections on COVID-19. *Special Issue in the Journal of Global History*, 15, 3, 333-507

7. Frankema, E. and A. Booth, eds. (2020) *Fiscal Capacity and the Colonial State in Asia and Africa, c. 1850-1960*, Cambridge University Press: Cambridge, UK
8. Frankema, E. and F. Buelens, eds. (2013) *Colonial Exploitation and Economic Development: The Belgian Congo and the Netherlands Indies Compared*, Routledge Explorations in Economic History Series: London
9. Frankema, E. and E. Hillbom, eds. (2013) *The History of African Development. An Open Source Textbook for African Students*, African Economic History Network Publication, <http://www.achnetwork.org/>
10. Frankema, E. (2009) *Has Latin America Always Been Unequal? A Comparative Study of Asset and Income Inequality in the Long Twentieth Century*, Global Economic History Series, Volume 3, Brill: Boston, Leiden

Journal articles (peer-reviewed)

11. M. de Haas and E. Frankema (2026) 'Africa's Migration Transition. A Long-Run Historical Perspective', *International Migration Review* (early online view) (DOI: 10.1177/01979183251406191)
12. De Pleijt, A.M. and E. Frankema (2025) 'The deeper roots of human capital formation and economic development in Southeast Asia, 1900–2000', *Journal of Development Economics* 103506, 176 (DOI:10.1016/j.jdevco.2025.103506)
13. M. de Haas and E. Frankema (2025) 'The age of Intra-African migration: shifting patterns of regional mobility between two global diasporas, 1850-1960', *Comparative Migration Studies* 13, 32 (early online view) (DOI:10.1186/s40878-025-00448-w)
14. Frankema, E. (2025) 'From the Great Divergence to South-South Divergence. New Comparative Horizons in Global Economic History', *Journal of Economic Surveys* 39, 2, 517-545 (DOI:10.1111/joes.12609)
15. Alexopoulou, K. and E. Frankema (2024) 'Imperialism of jackals and lions. The fiscal-military state in Portuguese Africa in the British and French African mirror, c. 1850–1940' *Industrial History Review* 33, 92, 119-158 (DOI:10.1344/rhihr.44736)
16. Frankema, E. and M. van Waijenburg (2023) 'What about the race between education and technology in the Global South? Comparing skill premiums in colonial Africa and Asia', *Economic History Review*, 76, 3, 941-978 (DOI:10.1111/ehr.13221)
17. Frankema, E. de Haas, M and M. van Waijenburg (2023) 'Inequality Regimes in Africa. From Precolonial Times to the Present', *African Affairs*, 122, 486, 57-94 (DOI:10.1093/afraf/adad001)

Covered by The Economist, April 15th 2023, p. x:

<https://www.economist.com/middle-east-and-africa/2023/04/13/why-africa-is-one-of-the-most-unequal-continents-in-the-world>

18. Frankema, E. and M. van Waijenburg (2023) 'Bridging the gap with the 'new' economic history of Africa', *Journal of African History*, 64, 1, 38-61
(DOI:10.1017/S0021853722000792)
19. Frankema, E., Sood, G. and H. Tworek (2021) 'Editors' note – Global history after the Great Divergence', *Journal of Global History* 16, 1, 1-3
(DOI:10.1017/S174002282100005X)
20. Frankema, E. and H. Tworek (2020) 'Pandemics that changed the world: historical reflections on Covid-19', *Journal of Global History* 15, 3, 333-335
(DOI: 10.1017/S1740022820000339)
21. Frankema, E. (2019) 'Africa and the Demographic Consequences of the Columbian Exchange', *Asian Review of World Histories* 7, 66-79
(DOI: 10.1163/22879811-12340046)
22. Frankema, E. and M. van Waijenburg (2018) 'Africa Rising? A Historical Perspective', *African Affairs* 117, 469, 543-568
(DOI: 10.1093/afraf/ady022)
Nominated for the Stephen Ellis Prize 2020 awarded to the best paper in *African Affairs* (2018-19).
Covered by The Economist, Nov. 3rd 2018, p. 72:
<https://www.economist.com/finance-and-economics/2018/11/03/the-path-to-economic-development-is-growing-more-treacherous-again>
Covered by the Washington Post, Oct. 23rd 2020.
<https://www.washingtonpost.com/politics/2020/10/23/african-citizens-expect-more-their-lives-their-governments-afrobarometer-surveys-find/>
23. Frankema, E., Woltjer, P., Dalrymple-Smith, A. and L. Bulambo (2018) 'An Introduction to the African Commodity Trade Database, 1730-2010', *Research Data Journal for the Humanities and Social Sciences* 3, March 2018, 00-00
(DOI: 10.1163/24523666-01000009)
24. Frankema, E., Williamson, J.G. and P. Woltjer (2018) 'An Economic Rationale for the West African Scramble? The Commercial Transition and the Commodity Price Boom of 1835-1885', *The Journal of Economic History* 78, 1, 231-267
(DOI: 10.1017/S0022050718000128)
Work in progress covered by World Economic Forum, July 15th 2015
<https://www.weforum.org/agenda/2015/07/how-africas-colonial-history-affects-its-development/>
25. De Haas, M. and E. Frankema (2018) 'Gender, ethnicity and unequal opportunity in colonial Uganda: European influences, African realities, and the pitfalls of parish register data', *Economic History Review* 71, 3, 965-994
(DOI: 10.1111/ehr.12618)

26. Juif, D. and E. Frankema (2018) 'From Coercion to Compensation: Institutional Responses to Labour Scarcity in the Central African Copperbelt', *Journal of Institutional Economics*, 14, Special Issue 02, 313-343
(DOI: 10.1017/S1744137416000345)
Shortlisted for the Elinor Ostrom Prize 2019 for best paper published in the *Journal of Institutional Economics* 2018
27. Bavel, B. van, and E. Frankema (2017) 'Wealth inequality in the Netherlands, c. 1950-2015. The paradox of a Northern European welfare state' *The Low Countries Journal of Social and Economic History*, 14, 2, 29-62
(DOI: 10.18352/tseg.916)
28. Dalrymple-Smith, A. and E. Frankema (2017) 'Slave Ship Provisioning in the Long 18th Century: A Boost to West African Commercial Agriculture?' *European Review of Economic History*, 21, 2, 185-235
(DOI: 10.1093/ereh/hex002)
29. Frankema, E., Green E, and E. Hillbom (2016) 'Endogenous Processes of Colonial Settlement: The Success and Failure of European Settler Farming in Sub-Saharan Africa.', *Revista de Historia Económica* 34, 2, 237-265
(DOI: 10.1017/s0212610915000397)
30. Buelens, F. and E. Frankema (2016) 'Colonial Adventures in Tropical Agriculture. New Estimates of Returns to Investment in the Netherlands Indies, 1919-1938.' *Cliometrica* 10, 2, 197-224
(DOI: 10.1007/s11698-015-0128-z)
31. Frankema, E. (2015) 'Labour-Intensive Industrialization in Global History – A Review Essay.' *Economic History of Developing Regions* 30, 1, 44-67
(DOI: 10.1080/20780389.2015.1035705)
32. Frankema, E. (2015) 'The Biogeographic Roots of World Inequality. Animals, Disease, and Human Settlement Patterns in Africa and the Americas before 1492.' *World Development* 70, 274–285
(DOI:10.1016/j.worlddev.2015.01.012)
33. Frankema, E. and M. van Waijenburg (2014) 'Metropolitan Blueprints of Colonial Taxation? Lessons from Fiscal Capacity Building in British and French Africa, c. 1880-1940.' *Journal of African History* 55, 3, 371-400
(DOI:10.1017/S002185371400036X)
34. Frankema, E. (2014) 'Africa and the Green Revolution - A Global Historical Perspective', *NJAS – Wageningen Journal of Life Sciences* 70-71, 17-24
(DOI: 10.1016/j.njas.2014.01.003)

35. Frankema, E. and M. Jerven (2014) 'Writing History Backwards or Sideways: Towards a Consensus on African Population, 1850-present', *Economic History Review*, 67, 4, 907-931
(DOI: 10.1111/1468-0289.12041)
36. Frankema, E. and A. Masé (2014) 'An Island Drifting Apart. Why Haiti is mired in poverty while the Dominican Republic forges ahead', *Journal of International Development* 26, 1, 128-148
(DOI: 10.1002/jid.2924)
37. Frankema, E. (2013) 'Why was the Dutch legacy so poor? Educational development in the Netherlands Indies, 1871-1942', *Masyarakat Indonesia*, 39, 2, 307-326
38. Frankema, E., Woltjer, P. and J.P. Smits (2013) 'Changing Economic Leadership. A New Benchmark of Sector Productivity in the United States and Western Europe, ca. 1910', *The Low Countries Journal of Social and Economic History*, 10, 3, 80-113
(DOI: 10.18352/tseg.219)
39. Frankema, E. and M. van Waijenburg (2012) 'Structural Impediments to African Growth? New Evidence from British African Real Wages, 1880-1965', *The Journal of Economic History*, 72, 4, 895-926
(DOI: 10.1017/S0022050712000630)
Arthur H. Cole Prize for best article in the *Journal of Economic History* (June 2012 – June 2013) and Wageningen School of Social Sciences Publication Award 2013 for best WASS publication of the year 2012
Coverage in a blog-post by *Marginal Revolution*
<http://marginalrevolution.com/marginalrevolution/2012/06/has-africa-always-been-the-worlds-poorest-continent.html>
Coverage by *The Washington Post*, 19 September 2017 in "A controversial article praises colonialism. But colonialism's real legacy was ugly".
www.washingtonpost.com/news/monkey-cage/wp/2017/09/19/colonialism-left-behind-a-long-legacy-most-of-it-bad/
40. Frankema, E. (2012) 'The Origins of Formal Education in Sub-Saharan Africa. Was British Rule More Benign?', *European Review of Economic History*, 16, 4, 335-355
(DOI: 10.1093/ereh/hes009)
41. Frankema, E. (2012) 'Industrial Wage Inequality in Latin America in Global Perspective, 1900-2000', *Studies in Comparative International Development*, 47, 47-74
(DOI: 10.1007/s12116-011-9091-2)
42. Frankema, E. (2011) 'Colonial Taxation and Government Spending in British Africa, 1880-1940: Maximizing Revenue or Minimizing Effort?', *Explorations in Economic History*, 48, 1, 136-149
(DOI: 10.1016/j.eeh.2010.10.002)
Shortlisted for the Larry Neal Prize awarded to the best paper in the Explorations in Economic History (2010-2011) at the Economic History Association Annual Meeting, Boston, 2nd runner-up.

43. Frankema, E. and M.A. Visker (2011) 'The Reversal of Fortune in Argentina: Exploring industrial labour productivity in comparison to Australia, 1907-1973', *The Low Countries Journal of Social and Economic History*, 8, 3, 69-98
(DOI: 10.18352/tseg.334)
44. Frankema, E. (2010) 'Raising Revenue in the British Empire, 1870-1940: How extractive were colonial taxes?', *Journal of Global History*, 5, 3, 447-477
(DOI: 10.1017/S1740022810000227)
45. Frankema, E. (2010) 'The Colonial Roots of Land Distribution: Geography, Factor Endowments or Institutions', *Economic History Review*, 63, 2, 418-451
(DOI: 10.1111/j.1468-0289.2009.00479.x)
46. Frankema, E. and D. Marks (2010) 'Growth, Stability, but what about Equity? Reassessing Indonesian Income Inequality from a Comparative Perspective', *Economic History of Developing Regions*, 25, 1, 75-104
(DOI:10.1080/20780389.2010.505007)
47. Shirmer, S., Chaudhary, L., Göşgel, M., Fourie, J., Frankema, E., Mariotti, M., Verhoef, G. and S. Yan (2010) 'The State and Scope of the Economic History of Developing Regions', *Economic History of Developing Regions*, 25, 1, 3-20
(DOI:10.1080/20780389.2010.505006)
48. Frankema, E. (2010) 'Reconstructing labor income shares in Argentina, Brazil and Mexico, 1870-2000', *Journal of Iberian and Latin American Economic History*, 28, 2, 343-374
(DOI: 10.1017/S0212610910000091)
49. Frankema, E. (2009) 'The Expansion of Mass Education in Twentieth Century Latin America: A Global Comparative Perspective', *Revista de Historia Económica*, 27, 3, 359-396
(DOI: 10.1017/S0212610900000811)
50. Frankema, E. and D. Marks (2009) 'Was it really Growth with Equity under Soeharto? A Theil Analysis of Income distribution in Indonesia, 1960-2001', *Economics and Finance in Indonesia*, 57, 1, 47-76
51. Frankema, E. (2008) 'Comparing the distribution of education across the developing world, 1960-2005: What does the grade enrollment distribution tell about Latin America?', *Social Indicators Research*, 88, 437-455
(DOI 10.1007/s11205-007-9213-4)
52. Frankema, E. and J.P. Smits (2008) 'Over de rol van cultuur en sociale cohesie in de economische geschiedenis', *Tijdschrift voor Sociale en Economische Geschiedenis*, 5, 2, 93-116
(DOI: 10.18352/tseg.509)

Best paper award in the contest “future perspectives on the field of economic and social history”, by the International Institute of Social History (Amsterdam) and the N.W. Posthumus Institute.

53. Frankema, E. and J.P. Smits (2008) ‘Korte reactie op de commentaren van Marjolein ’t Hart en Jan Willem Drukker’, *Tijdschrift voor Sociale en Economische Geschiedenis*, 5, 2, 159-160
(DOI: 10.18352/tseg.514)
54. Frankema, E. and J.P. Smits (2007) ‘Globalisering zonder Regionalisering: Waarom handelen Latijns Amerikaanse en Afrikaanse landen zo weinig met hun burens?’, *Tijdschrift voor Sociale en Economische Geschiedenis*, 4, 3, 36-61
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PRESENTATIONS

Invited seminars, key notes & public lectures

1. Frankema, E. and T. Westland (20 May 2026) 'South-South Divergence: How Southeast Asia and Tropical Africa Grew Apart Before the Green Revolution', African Studies Centre Seminar, Leiden University (**invited seminar**)
2. Frankema, E. and T. Westland (13 February 2026) 'South-South Divergence: How Southeast Asia and Tropical Africa Grew Apart Before the Green Revolution', Department of Economics Seminar, Tokyo University (**invited seminar**)
3. Frankema, E. and T. Westland (27 November 2025) 'South-South Divergence: How Southeast Asia and Tropical Africa Grew Apart Before the Green Revolution', Global History Seminar, Ghent University (**invited seminar**)
4. de Pleijt, A. and E. Frankema (22 April 2024) 'The Deep Roots of Human Capital Formation and Economic Development in Southeast Asia, ca. 1900 – 2000', Economic History Seminar, Yale University (**invited seminar**)
5. Frankema, E. (10 April 2024) 'Diverging food prices in Sub-Saharan Africa and Southeast Asia. A global historical perspective', *5th International Conference on Global Food Security*, University of Leuven (**key note lecture**)
6. Frankema, E. and F. Meier zu Selhausen (27 February 2024) 'Africa's Mineral Transition. Missed Opportunities or Blessing in Disguise?', Economic History Seminar, Nuffield College, Oxford University (**invited seminar**)
7. Frankema, E. and F. Meier zu Selhausen (09 March 2023) 'Long-term Trade in Africa. From the 'Commercial Transition' to the 'Mineral Transition, 1807-present', Seminar of the Department of History, Economics and Society, University of Geneva (**invited seminar**)

8. Frankema, E. and F. Meier zu Selhausen (31 January 2023) 'Long-term Trade in Africa. From the 'Commercial Transition' to the 'Mineral Transition, 1807-present', Seminar at the Department of Economics, University of Namur (**invited seminar**)
9. Frankema, E. (02 November 2022) 'Origins and Patterns of Economic Inequality', Studium Generale Wageningen series on Economic Inequality, Wageningen University (**invited lecture**)
10. Frankema, E. (11 February 2022) 'How American Crops Conquered Africa', Amsterdam Symposium on the History of Food, Allard Pierson Museum (**key note lecture**)
11. Frankema, E. (09 February 2022) 'The Great Divergence, or the Origins of Global Economic Inequality', MPhil Advanced online course Development Economics, Utrecht University (**invited lecture**)
12. Frankema, E. (02 February 2022) 'Five Centuries of African Trade' Online Course on African History through the lens of Economics, Wheeler Institute, London Business School (**invited lecture**)
13. Frankema, E. (18 January 2022) 'What is Colonialism?', Studium Generale Wageningen series on Colonialism, Wageningen University (**invited lecture**)
14. Frankema, E. (10 February 2021) 'Inequality in Sub-Saharan Africa from Pre-colonial Times to the Present', LEAP seminar in global economic history, Stellenbosch University, (**invited seminar**)
15. Frankema, E. (03 November 2020) 'The Rise of Agriculture', *Course on Revolutions in World History*, Erasmus University Rotterdam (**invited lecture**)
16. Frankema, E. (20 September 2020) 'Biological Globalization: Before and Beyond the Columbian Exchange', Masterclass in *Applied Economic History*, University of Zürich (**invited lecture**).
17. Frankema, E. (19 September 2020) 'The American Divergence: How the North and the South grew apart', Masterclass in *Applied Economic History*, University of Zürich (**invited lecture**).
18. Frankema, E. (19 September 2020) 'Africa and the Great Divergence', Masterclass in *Applied Economic History*, University of Zürich (**invited lecture**).
19. De Haas, M., E. Frankema and M. van Waijenburg (05 March 2020) 'Inequality in Sub-Saharan Africa. From Pre-colonial Times to the Present', *Social and Economic History Seminar*, Utrecht University (**invited seminar**)

20. Frankema, E. and M. van Waijenburg (14 November 2019) 'The Great Convergence. Skill Accumulation and Mass Education in Africa and Asia, 1870-2010', Workshop *Measuring Well-Being in the Past*, Utrecht University (**key note lecture**)
21. Frankema, E. (19 September 2019) 'Promises and pitfalls of diachronic comparison: The 'lost decades' in Africa and Latin America', Workshop on *Africa and Latin America. A shared Economic History?*, Lund University (**key note lecture**)
22. Frankema, E. (25 April 2019) 'The Shadows of Ecology, Geology and Biology in African Population Development during the Holocene', *Economic History Seminar*, Carlos III de Madrid (**invited seminar**)
23. Frankema, E. (30 November 2017) 'Why Malthus wasn't African. Reflections on the development and density of African populations, 1500-1950', *Cambridge Economic and Social History Seminar*, Cambridge University (**invited seminar**)
24. Frankema, E. (21 October 2017) 'Africa and the Great Divergence', Masterclass in *Applied Economic History*, University of Zürich (**invited lecture**).
25. Frankema, E. (25 May 2017) 'Colonial Roots of Divergence? The development of fiscal states in Africa and Asia, 1850-1960', Workshop on *The Political Economy of Taxation*, European University Institute, Florence (**invited lecture**)
26. Frankema, E. (17 March 2017) 'Mondiale ongelijkheid en migratie in historisch perspectief', Expert meeting on 'Migration management 2030', organised by the Advisory Committee of Immigration Authorities in cooperation with the Royal Dutch Academy of Arts and Sciences (**invited lecture**)
27. Frankema, E. (16 November 2016) 'Africa's population boom in historical perspective', *WASS Africa Seminar*, Wageningen University (**invited seminar**)
28. Frankema, E. (11 October 2016) 'Population history and agricultural transformation in Sub-Saharan Africa', Study Circle for Development Issues (SKOV) Seminar *Population explosion in Sub-Saharan Africa: bloom or doom for agriculture?*, Wageningen (**public lecture**)
29. A. Dalrymple-Smith and E. Frankema (29 September 2016) 'Slave Ship Provisioning in the Long 18th Century. A Boost to West African Commercial Agriculture?', *Economic History Seminar*, University of Barcelona (**invited seminar**)
30. A. Dalrymple-Smith and E. Frankema (23 February 2016) 'Slave Ship Provisioning in the Long 18th Century. A Boost to West African Commercial Agriculture?', *Seminar of the International Institute of Social History*, Amsterdam (**invited seminar**)
31. Frankema, E. (18 January 2016) 'Historische en actuele ontwikkelingen in Westers ontwikkelingssamenwerkingsbeleid in Sub-Sahara Afrika, 1807-2016', *Government staff training program in international policy*, Dutch Ministry of Foreign Affairs, The Hague (**public lecture**)

32. Frankema, E., Williamson, J. G. and P.J. Woltjer (02 December 2015) 'An Economic Rationale for the African Scramble: The Commercial Transition and the Commodity Price Boom of 1845-1885', *Department of Geography and Sustainable Development Seminar*, University of St. Andrews, St. Andrews, Scotland (**invited seminar**)
33. Frankema, E. (03 July 2015) 'Is Africa Growing out of Poverty?', *Summerschool beyond GDP. A Long-Term View on Human Wellbeing and Inequality*, Groningen University (**key note lecture**)
34. Frankema, E. (25 June 2015) 'How the Great Divergence Debate can Benefit from Comparative Rural History', *International workshop on rural and agricultural economic history in Asia and Europe, 1600-1900*, Groningen University (**key note lecture**)
35. Frankema, E., Williamson, J. G. and P.J. Woltjer (17 June 2015) 'An Economic Rationale for the African Scramble: The Commercial Transition and the Commodity Price Boom of 1845-1885', *Economic History Seminar*, Bocconi University, Milan (**invited seminar**)
36. Frankema, E. (23 March 2015) 'The Biogeographic Roots of World Inequality. Animals, Disease, and Human Settlement Patterns in Africa and the Americas before 1492', *5th Southern Hemisphere Economic History Summer School (SHEHSS)*, Universidad de la República, Montevideo (**key note lecture**)
37. Frankema, E. (03 March 2015) 'A History of Trade Development in Sub-Saharan Africa, 1500-present', *Study Circle for Development Issues (SKOV) Seminar on Agricultural Entrepreneurship in Sub-Saharan Africa*, Wageningen (**public lecture**)
38. Frankema, E., Williamson, J. G. and P.J. Woltjer (25 February 2015) 'An Economic Rationale for the African Scramble: The Commercial Transition and the Commodity Price Boom of 1845-1885', *Economics Seminar*, Warwick University, Coventry (**invited seminar**)
39. Frankema, E., Williamson, J. G. and P.J. Woltjer (24 February 2015) 'An Economic Rationale for the African Scramble: The Commercial Transition and the Commodity Price Boom of 1845-1885', *Economic and Social History Seminar*, Oxford University (All Souls College), Oxford (**invited seminar**)
40. Frankema, E. (12 February 2015) 'African State Formation and the Historical Evolution of Fiscal Systems', *UNU – MERIT Seminar*, United Nations University, Maastricht (**invited seminar**)
41. Frankema, E. (30 January 2015) 'African State Formation and the Historical Evolution of Fiscal Systems', *Political Economy Seminar*, Lund University (**invited seminar**)
42. Buelens, F and E. Frankema (28 January 2015) 'Colonial Adventures in Tropical Agriculture. New Estimates of Returns to Investment in the Netherlands Indies, 1919-1938' *Economic History Seminar*, Lund University (**invited seminar**)

43. Frankema, E. (22 January 2015) 'Está África saliendo de la pobreza?' *Fundación Ramón Areces*, Madrid (**public lecture**)
44. Frankema, E. (04 December 2014) 'Is Africa Growing out of Poverty?', *Eindhoven Centre for Innovation Studies Seminar*, Eindhoven University of Technology (**invited seminar**)
45. Frankema, E. and M. van Waijenburg (17 April 2014) 'Structural Impediments to African Growth? Countervailing Evidence from Real Wages in British Africa, 1880-1960', *Economics Seminar*, Marmara University, Istanbul (**invited seminar**)
46. Frankema, E. and M. van Waijenburg (03 April 2014) 'Why Historians Need to Re-engage with the Global Poverty Debate: Lessons from the Growth Experiences of Ghana and Japan, c. 1870-2010', *Economic History Seminar*, Universitat de València (**invited seminar**)
47. Frankema, E. (06 March 2014) 'Is Africa Growing out of Poverty?' *Epstein Memorial Lecture*, London School of Economics and Political Science (**key note lecture**)
48. Frankema, E. (06 February 2014) 'Vertical-axis Continents: Contrasting Demography and State Development in Africa and the Americas, 200.000 BP – 1500 AD', *Social and Economic History Seminar*, Utrecht University (**invited seminar**)
49. Frankema, E. (04 February 2014) 'Groeit Afrika uit (de) armoede?', *Wageningen Ambassadors*, Wageningen University (**public lecture**)
50. Frankema, E. (29 January 2014) 'Writing History Backwards or Sideways: Towards a Consensus on African Population, 1850-present', *Economic History Seminar*, Lund University (**invited seminar**)
51. Frankema, E. (09 December 2013) 'Understanding African Poverty: A Millennial Perspective', *4th Southern Hemisphere Economic History Summer School (SHEHSS)*, Universidad de la República, Montevideo (**key note lecture**)
52. Frankema, E. (30 October 2013) 'Africa and the Green Revolution - A Global Historical Perspective', *Mountains of the Moon University*, Fort Portal, Uganda (**public lecture**)
53. Frankema, E. (27 September 2013) 'The Global Economic Divide. Why some were in the Stone Age while others entered the Machine Age', *PhD Course Hunger Defeated: Long-term Dynamics of Global Food Security*, Wageningen University (**guest lecture**)
54. Frankema, E. (06 June 2013) 'Reconciling 'Good Governance' with the history of African state formation', *Seminar on Good Governance in Africa: One Size Fits All?*, Dutch Ministry of Foreign Affairs, The Hague (**key note lecture**)

55. Frankema, E. and M. van Waijenburg (25 April 2013) 'Endogenous Colonial Institutions: Lessons from Fiscal Capacity Building in British and French Africa, 1880-1945', *Economics Seminar*, Wageningen University (**invited seminar**)
56. Frankema, E. and M. van Waijenburg (30 January 2013) 'Endogenous Colonial Institutions: Lessons from Fiscal Capacity Building in British and French Africa, 1880-1945', *Economic History Seminar*, Lund University (**invited seminar**)
57. Frankema, E. and M. van Waijenburg (17 January 2013) 'New ventures into African living standards research,' *Global Economics and Management Seminar*, University of Groningen (**invited seminar**)
58. Frankema, E. and M. van Waijenburg (28 September 2012) 'The Failed African Transition from Extensive to Intensive Growth; Lessons from Comparative Real Wages, 1860-present', *Economic History Seminar*, Lund University (**invited seminar**)
59. Frankema, E. (2 March 2012) 'African Poverty in Global Historical Perspective' *Social Sciences Group*, Wageningen University (**guest lecture**)
60. Frankema, E. and M. van Waijenburg (16 January 2012) 'Structural Impediments to African Growth? Countervailing Evidence from Real Wages in British Africa, 1880-1960', *Economic History Seminar*, Paris School of Economics (PSE) (**invited seminar**)
61. Frankema, E. (24 October 2011) 'The Origins of Formal Education in Sub-Saharan Africa. Was British Rule more Benign?' *Social and Economic History Colloquium*, University of Groningen (**invited seminar**)
62. Frankema, E. (15 September 2011) 'Perspectives on Microfinance and Poverty', *Workshop on the History of Microfinance*, Netherlands Institute for Advanced Study in the Humanities and Social Sciences (NIAS) (**guest lecture**)
63. Frankema, E. (1 July 2011) 'Welvaartontwikkeling in sub-Sahara Afrika in historisch perspectief', *History Department Symposium*, Utrecht University (**invited seminar**)
64. Frankema, E. and M. van Waijenburg (17 June 2011) 'Structural Impediments to African Growth? Countervailing Evidence from Real Wages in British Africa, 1880-1960', *CGEH Launch Economic History meets Development Economics*, Utrecht University (**guest lecture**)
65. Frankema, E. (26 May 2011) 'Is Armoede Lotsbestemming? De lang termijn ontwikkeling van levenstandaarden in Brits Afrika', *Toogdag Kenniscentrum Instituten van de Open Samenleving*, Utrecht University (**guest lecture**)
66. Frankema, E. (04 November 2010) 'How Missions Made the Difference. On the Origins of Formal Education in sub-Saharan Africa', *Social and Economic History Seminar*, Utrecht University (**invited seminar**)

67. Frankema, E. (26 January 2010) 'Global Inequality. Statistical evidence and explanatory hypotheses', *Student Society of International Relations*, Utrecht University (**guest lecture**)
68. Frankema, E. (11 December 2009) 'Jails, Roads or Hospitals? Fiscal Expansion and Government Spending in British Colonial Africa, 1880-1940', *Economic History Seminar*, University of Barcelona (**invited seminar**)
69. Frankema, E. (14 May 2009) 'Raising Revenue in the British Empire, 1870-1940: How 'extractive' were colonial taxes?', *Social and Economic History Seminar*, Utrecht University (**invited seminar**)
70. Frankema, E. (21 January 2009) 'Wage Inequality in 20th Century Latin America: Persistent inequality or distributional change?', *Economic History Seminar*, London School of Economics and Political Science (**invited seminar**)
71. Frankema, E. (31 October 2008) 'Loon-ongelijkheid in 20e eeuw Latijns Amerika: Economie of Politiek?', *Centre for Latin American Research and Documentation*, University of Amsterdam (**invited seminar**)
72. Frankema, E. (23 September 2008) 'Loon-ongelijkheid in 20e eeuw Latijns Amerika: Economie of Politiek?', *Amsterdam School for Social Science Research Seminar*, University of Amsterdam (**invited seminar**)
73. Frankema, E. (12 April 2007) 'The Emerging Market Economies of Latin America', *Ministry of Economic Affairs*, The Hague (**guest lecture**)
74. Frankema, E. (19 April 2007) 'The Colonial Roots of Land Inequality: Geography, Factor Endowments or Institutions?', *Economic History Seminar*, Carlos III, Madrid (**invited seminar**)
75. Frankema, E. (12 December 2006) 'The Colonial Roots of Latin American Land Inequality in a Global Comparative Perspective: Factor Endowments, Institutions or Political Economy?', *Economic History Seminar*, Stanford University (**invited seminar**)
76. Frankema, E. (05 December 2006) 'The Colonial Roots of Latin American Land Inequality in a Global Comparative Perspective: Factor Endowments, Institutions or Political Economy?', *Economic History Seminar*, University of California, Davis (**invited seminar**)

Conference and workshop presentations

77. Frankema, E. and T. Westland (21 May 2026) 'South-South Comparisons of Manufacturing Productivity: A New Benchmark for the Philippines and Mozambique, 1956', *N.W. Posthumus Conference 2026*, International Institute of Social History, Amsterdam

78. Frankema, E. and T. Westland (27 March 2026) ‘South-South Divergence: How Southeast Asia and Tropical Africa Grew Apart Before the Green Revolution’, Workshop on *Diversity in Development: Colonial Legacies and Varied Paths of Growth*, University of Groningen
79. Frankema, E. and T. Westland (31 October 2026) ‘African Manufacturing Productivity in a Southeast Asian Mirror: Evidence from Industrial Censuses in the 1950s and 1960s’ *17th AEHN Annual Meeting*, National University of Lesotho, Maseru
80. Frankema, E. and T. Westland (29 July 2026) ‘South-South Divergence: Why integrated food markets mattered more than colonial institutions’, *World Economic History Congress 2025*, Lund University
81. Frankema, E. and M. van Waijenburg (14 December 2024) ‘Labour, Slavery, and Migration in the Age of Empire, 1492-1975’, *Handbook of the Economic History of Colonialism (HEHC) Conference*, London School of Economics
82. Frankema, E. and T. Roy (13 December 2024) ‘The Economic History of Colonialism: Introduction’, *Handbook of the Economic History of Colonialism (HEHC) Conference*, London School of Economics
83. Frankema, E. and T. Westland (8 November 2024) ‘Food markets in colonial Asia and Africa: what can we learn from long-term price series?’, *Utrecht-Wageningen Workshop on Colonialism and Development*, Utrecht University
84. de Pleijt, A. and E. Frankema (8 November 2024) ‘The Deep Roots of Human Capital Formation and Economic Development in Southeast Asia, ca. 1900 – 2000’, *Utrecht-Wageningen Workshop on Colonialism and Development*, Utrecht University
85. Fernández-Cebrián, P. and E. Frankema (27 September 2024) ‘Intra-African Trade, c. 1850-1914’, *16th AEHN Annual Meeting*, Sapienza University of Rome
86. De Haas, M., E. Frankema, T. Joshipura and T. Westland (26 September 2024) ‘A Transition to High Food Prices in East Africa: Exogenous Shocks and Endogenous Political Economy, 1930s-80s’, *16th AEHN Annual Meeting*, Sapienza University of Rome
87. E. Frankema and T. Westland (26 September 2024) ‘Markets, Mills and Credit: Why Southeast Asia’s Colonial Rice Economies Laid Foundations for Growth That Sub-Saharan Africa Lacked’, *16th AEHN Annual Meeting*, Sapienza University of Rome
88. Frankema, E. and F. Meier zu Selhausen (27 February 2024) ‘Africa’s Mineral Transition. Missed Opportunities or Blessing in Disguise?’, *First Tsinghua & Peking Universities African Studies Forum*, Beijing
89. de Pleijt, A. and E. Frankema (9 December 2023) ‘The Deep Roots of Human Capital Formation and Economic Development in Southeast Asia, ca. 1900 – 2000’, *40 Years CEPR Symposium*, Paris

90. Frankema, E., T. Joshipura, M. de Haas and T. Westland (21 November 2023) 'East African food markets in the long 20th century; why did cheap maize become so expensive?', Workshop on *Institutions, Culture and Long-Term Development: Lessons from Sub-Saharan Africa*, University of Namur, Belgium
91. Frankema, E., T. Joshipura, M. de Haas and T. Westland (6 October 2023) 'East African grain markets in long-run perspective, 1900-2020', *16th AEHN Annual Meeting*, University of Pretoria, South Africa
92. de Pleijt, A. and E. Frankema (18 March 2023) 'The Deep Roots of Human Capital Formation and Economic Development in Southeast Asia, ca. 1900 – 2000', *Association of Asian Studies Annual Conference*, Boston
93. Frankema, E. and F. Meier zu Selhausen (17 January 2023) 'From the commercial to the mineral transition. Long-term trade developments in Sub-Sahara Africa, 1807-present' *First Bolzano Workshop on Historical Economics*, Free University of Bolzano, Italy
94. Frankema, E. (25 November 2022) 'Why are food prices in Sub-Sahara Africa(so much) higher than in Southern Asia?', *Workshop How will Africa's growing population be fed in 2050?*, Wageningen University
95. Frankema, E. and F. Meier zu Selhausen (13 October 2022) 'The Mineral Transition in Africa. A long-Term Trade Perspective', *15th AEHN Annual Meeting*, University of Las Palmas, Gran Canaria
96. Frankema, E. and F. Meier zu Selhausen (17 June 2022) 'The Mineral Transition in Africa. A long-Term Trade Perspective', *European Historical Economics Society Conference*, University of Groningen
97. Frankema, E. and F. Meier zu Selhausen (13 June 2022) 'The Mineral Transition in Africa. A long-Term Trade Perspective', *Maddison Project Workshop*, Utrecht University
98. Frankema, E. and M. van Waijenburg (2 June 2021) 'The Skill Revolution in Africa and Asia, c. 1850-2010', *Eighth CEPR Economic History Symposium*, organized by The Graduate Institute, Geneva, the University of Geneva, the Swiss National Bank and CEPR
99. Frankema, E. and M. van Waijenburg (16 April 2021) 'The Skill Revolution in Africa and Asia, c. 1850-2010', *Colloque Marché du Travail et Dynamique des Salaires*, Artois University
100. Frankema, E. (14 May 2020) 'From Integration to Repatriation. Refugees and forced migration in post-independence Africa', Online workshop on *Shifting Patterns of Migration in Africa. 1800 to the Present*, Wageningen University

101. Frankema, E. and M. van Waijenburg (19 October 2019) 'Fiscal Development and 'modern' tax systems under Sovereign and Colonial Rule', *14th AEHN Annual Meeting*, University of Barcelona
102. Frankema, E. (20 September 2019) 'Exploring colonial legacies through the lens of independence: what can we learn from Ethiopia?' *WINIR Conference*, Lund University
103. Frankema, E. and M. van Waijenburg (03 September 2019) 'The Great Convergence. Skill Accumulation and Mass Education in Africa and Asia, 1870-2010', *Section Economics Seminar*, Wageningen University
104. Frankema, E. (14 December 2018) 'Crisis and displacement since 1960', *Workshop on Migration in Africa*, Wageningen University
105. Frankema E. and M. van Waijenburg (18 October 2018) 'Fiscal Development in Sovereign and Colonial States. Moving beyond Euro-centric Bias in Global Fiscal History and Theory', *Workshop on The Political Economy of Taxation*, European University Institute, Florence
106. Frankema, E. and M. van Waijenburg (13 October 2018) 'Africa Rising? A Historical Perspective', *13th Annual Meeting of the AEHN*, University of Bologna
107. Alexopoulou, K and E. Frankema (02 August 2018) 'Imperialism of Jackals and Lions. The Militarization of Portuguese Africa in the British African mirror, c. 1850-1940', *XVIIIth World Economic History Conference*, Boston, MA
108. De Haas, M., Juif, D. and E. Frankema (01 August 2018) 'Changing occupational structures in Belgian Africa', *XVIIIth World Economic History Conference*, Boston, MA
109. Frankema, E. and M. van Waijenburg (17 September 2017) 'Here Has all the Education Gone. The Free-Fall of skill premiums in Sub-Saharan Africa and Southern Asia in the long 20th century.', *Annual Meeting of the Economic History Association*, San José, CA
110. Frankema, E. (09 July 2017) 'Africa, 1870-present: Growth, Reversals and Deep Transitions', *The Cambridge Economic History of The Modern World Conference*, Nuffield College, Oxford University
111. Frankema, E., Williamson, J.G. and P.J. Woltjer (19 May 2017) 'An Economic Rationale for the West African Scramble? The Commercial Transition and the Commodity Price Boom of 1835-1885', *Workshop on Global Commodities & Africa in the Long 19th Century, 1770s-1930s*, Global History & Culture Centre, University of Warwick
112. De Haas, M., Juif, D. and E. Frankema (22 October 2016) 'Changing occupational structures in Belgian Africa', *VIth Annual Meeting of the AEHN*, Sussex University, Brighton

113. Alexopoulou, K. and E. Frankema (21 October 2016) 'Securing the Colonial State. Effective occupation and military spending in Portuguese and British Africa, 1850s-1940s', *VIth Annual Meeting of the AEHN*, Sussex University, Brighton
114. Papaioannou, K. and E. Frankema (21 October 2016) 'Rainfall patterns and human settlement in tropical Africa and Asia. Did African farmers face greater insecurity?', *VIth Annual Meeting of the AEHN*, Sussex University, Brighton
115. Frankema E. and M. van Waijenburg (25 June 2016) 'Fiscal development in British and French West Africa, c. 1880-1960', Workshop on *Financing Empire. Comparing Colonial Fiscal States in Africa and Asia, 1850-1960*, SOAS, University of London
116. Alexopoulou, K. and E. Frankema (1 April 2016) 'Securing the Colonial State Effective occupation and military spending in Portuguese and British Africa, 1890-1940', *11th European Social Science History Conference 2016*, Valencia
117. Juif, D. and E. Frankema (30 March 2016) 'From Coercion to Compensation. Institutional responses to labour scarcity in the Central African Copperbelt', *11th European Social Science History Conference 2016*, Valencia
118. de Haas, M., Frankema, E. and D. Juif (30 March 2016) 'Occupational structures in the Belgian Congo and Ruanda-Urundi', *11th European Social Science History Conference 2016*, Valencia
119. Frankema, E. and M. van Waijenburg (30 March 2016) 'Here Has all the Education Gone. Skill Premiums in Africa and Southern Asia in the long 20th Century', *11th European Social Science History Conference 2016*, Valencia
120. Dalrymple-Smith, A. and E. Frankema (15 March 2016) 'Slave Ship Provisioning in the Long 18th Century. A Boost to West African Commercial Agriculture?', *CEPR/CAGE/NYUAB Economic History Conference*, New York University Abu Dhabi
121. Dalrymple-Smith, A. and E. Frankema (07 January 2016) 'Slave Ship Provisioning in the Long 18th Century. A Boost to West African Commercial Agriculture?', *Symposium on African soils, climate and historical agriculture*, Wageningen University
122. Frankema, E. and M. van Waijenburg (31 October 2016) 'The material foundations of the Sub-Saharan African state in historical perspective', *10th African Economic History Workshop*, Wageningen University
123. Frankema, E., Green, E. and E. Hillbom (31 October 2015) 'Endogenous Colonial Legacies. Success and Failure of European Settler Farming in Sub-Saharan Africa', *10th African Economic History Workshop*, Wageningen University
124. Juif, D. and E. Frankema (31 October 2015) 'From Coercion to Compensation: Comparative Living Standards of Copper Mine Workers in the Belgian Congo and Northern Rhodesia, c. 1910-1970', *10th African Economic History Workshop*, Wageningen University

125. Dalrymple-Smith, A. and E. Frankema (31 October 2015) 'Slave Ship Provisioning in the Long 18th Century. A Boost to West African Commercial Agriculture?', *10th African Economic History Workshop*, Wageningen University
126. Buelens, F. and E. Frankema (06 August 2015) 'An Extraordinary Drain? New Estimates of the Return on Investment in the Netherlands Indies, 1919-1939', *XVIIth World Economic History Conference 2015*, Kyoto University
127. Bolt, J. and E. Frankema (06 August 2015) 'Financing the Protestant Missionary Wave, 1800-1960', *XVIIth World Economic History Conference 2015*, Kyoto University
128. Frankema, E. and M. van Waijenburg (05 August 2015) 'Here Has all the Education Gone. Skill Premiums in Africa and Southern Asia in the long 20th Century', *XVIIth World Economic History Conference 2015*, Kyoto University
129. Frankema, E. and M. van Waijenburg (04 August 2015) 'The material foundations of the Sub-Saharan African state in historical perspective', *XVIIth World Economic History Conference 2015*, Kyoto University
130. Bértola, L. and E. Frankema (04 August 2015) 'Commodity cycles, government budgets and fiscal policies in Latin America and Sub-Saharan Africa, 1870-present', *XVIIth World Economic History Conference 2015*, Kyoto University
131. van Bavel, B. and E. Frankema (11 June 2015) 'Low Income Inequality, High Wealth Inequality. The Puzzle of the Rhineland Welfare States', *N.W. Posthumus Conference 2015*, Free University of Brussels
132. E. Frankema (09 June 2015) 'African Development in Historical Perspective', *Internal WASS Conference on African Development*, Wageningen University
133. Dalrymple-Smith, A. and E. Frankema (01 June 2015) 'Slave Ship Provisioning in the Long 18th Century. A Boost to West African Commercial Agriculture?', *International Conference on Slaving Zones: Cultural Identities, Ideologies, and Institutions in the Evolution of Global Slavery*, Leiden University
134. Frankema, E., Williamson, J.G. and P.J. Woltjer (24 April 2015) 'An Economic Rationale for the African Scramble. The Commercial Transition and the Commodity Price Boom of 1845-1885', *Workshop on Colonialism, Growth and Development in the Southern Hemisphere, 1800-2000*, Lund University
135. Frankema, E., Williamson, J.G. and P.J. Woltjer (27 March 2015) 'An Economic Rationale for the African Scramble. The Commercial Transition and the Commodity Price Boom of 1845-1885', *RIDGE Workshop on Comparative studies of the Southern Hemisphere in global economic history and development*, Montevideo
136. Frankema, E., Green, E. and E. Hillbom (23 January 2015) 'Endogenous Colonial Legacies. Success and Failure of European Settler Farming in Sub-Saharan Africa',

137. Buelens, F. and E. Frankema (16 December 2014) 'An Extraordinary Drain? New Estimates of the Return on Investment in the Netherlands Indies, 1919-1939', International workshop on *Foreign capital in colonial Southeast Asia: Profits, economic growth and indigenous society*, Leiden University
138. Austin, G., Frankema, E. and M. Jerven (03 October 2014) 'Patterns of Manufacturing Growth in Sub-Saharan Africa: From Colonization to the Present', *Conference on Industrialization in the global periphery, 1870-2008*, Oxford University
139. Frankema, E. and M. van Waijenburg (20 September 2014) 'Here Has all the Education Gone. Skill Premiums and Real Wages in Africa and India in the long 20th Century', *Fourth Asian Historical Economics Conference (AHEC)*, Boğaziçi University, Istanbul
140. Frankema, E. and M. Jerven (25 October 2013) 'Writing History Backwards or Sideways: Towards a Consensus on African Population, 1850-present', *Global Historical Population Conference*, International Institute of Social History, Amsterdam
141. Frankema, E. and M. van Waijenburg (05 October 2013) 'Real wages in the (former) British Empire, 1870-2000: Why poverty in Africa and India differed', *Tenth Swedish Economic History Meeting*, Lund University
142. Frankema, E., Green, E. and E. Hillbom (04 October 2013) 'Success and Failure of European Settler Farming in Colonial Africa', *Tenth Swedish Economic History Meeting*, Lund University
143. Frankema, E. and M. van Waijenburg (20 September 2013) 'Endogenous Colonial Institutions: Lessons from Fiscal Capacity Building in British and French Africa, 1880-1940', *73rd Annual Meeting of the Economic History Association*, Washington D.C.
144. Frankema, E. and M. van Waijenburg (31 May 2013) 'Endogenous Colonial Institutions: Lessons from Fiscal Capacity Building in British and French Africa, 1880-1945', *Conference on Cooperation or Conflict? Economics of Natural Resources and Food*, Wageningen University
145. Frankema, E. and M. van Waijenburg (19 April 2013) 'Endogenous Colonial Institutions: Lessons from Fiscal Capacity Building in British and French Africa, 1880-1945', *Conference on African Economic Development: Measuring Success and Failure*, Simon Fraser University, Vancouver
146. Frankema, E. and M. van Waijenburg (02 November 2012) 'When did Africa Fall Behind? Lessons from an African-Asian Real Wage Comparison, 1860-present' *Conference on the Global and Long-term Development of Real Wages*, International Institute of Social History, Amsterdam

147. Frankema, E. and M. van Waijenburg (28 September 2012) 'Endogenous Colonial Institutions: Evidence from British and French African Tax Systems, 1880-1945', *Workshop on The New Institutional Economics and Divergence in the Developing World*, Lund University
148. Frankema, E. and M. Jerven (28 September 2012) 'The Missing Link: Reconstructing African Population Growth, 1850-present', *New Frontiers in African Economic History Workshop*, Geneva Graduate Institute
149. Austin, G., Frankema, E. and M. Jerven (13 July 2012) 'The Slow Spread of Industrialization in Sub-Saharan Africa: From Colonization to the Present', *XVIth World Economic History Congress*, Stellenbosch University, South Africa
150. Frankema, E. and M. van Waijenburg (12 July 2012) 'Comparing the nature and Effects of Fiscal Policies in French and British Africa', *XVIth World Economic History Congress*, Stellenbosch University, South Africa
151. Frankema, E. (11 July 2012) 'The Origins of Formal Education in Sub-Saharan Africa. Was British Rule more Benign?', *XVIth World Economic History Congress*, Stellenbosch University, South Africa
152. Frankema, E. and M. Jerven (10 July 2012) 'The Missing Link: Reconstructing African Population Growth, 1850-present', *XVIth World Economic History Congress*, Stellenbosch University, South Africa
153. Frankema, E. and A. Masé (10 July 2012) 'An Island Drifting Apart. Why Haiti mires in poverty while the Dominican Republic forges ahead', *XVIth World Economic History Congress*, Stellenbosch University, South Africa
154. Frankema, E. and M. van Waijenburg (12 May 2011) 'Structural Impediments to African Growth? Countervailing Evidence from Real Wages in British Africa, 1880-1960', *N.W. Posthumus Conference 2011*, University of Antwerp
155. Frankema, E. (02 May 2011) 'The Origins of Formal Education in Sub-Saharan Africa. Was British Rule more Benign?' *African Economic History Workshop*, Geneva Graduate Institute
156. Frankema, E. and M. van Waijenburg (16 April 2011) 'Structural Impediments to African Growth? Countervailing Evidence from Real Wages in British Africa, 1880-1960', *3rd ENIUGH European Congress on World and Global History*, London School of Economics and Political Science
157. Frankema, E. (15 April 2011) 'The Origins of Formal Education in Sub-Saharan Africa: Was British Rule more Benign?', *3rd ENIUGH European Congress on World and Global History*, London School of Economics and Political Science

158. Frankema, E. and M. van Waijenburg (14 December 2010) 'African Real Wages in Asian Perspective, 1880-1940' *Historical Patterns of Development and Underdevelopment (Hi-POD) Conference*, Universidad de la República, Montevideo
159. Frankema, E. (28 August 2010) 'How Missions Made the Difference. On the Origins of Formal Education in sub-Saharan Africa', *Human Capital and Economic Growth Workshop*, University of Tübingen
160. Frankema, E. and M. van Waijenburg (25 August 2010) 'African Real Wages in Asian Perspective, 1880-1940', *21st International Congress of the Historical Sciences*, Amsterdam
161. Frankema, E. (04 June 2010) 'Toiling for Prisons or Hospitals? A comparative study of colonial taxation and public spending in British Africa', *History and Economic Development Group Workshop*, University of London, SOAS
162. Frankema, E. and M. van Waijenburg (28 April 2010) 'Real Wages in British Africa, 1880-1945', *African Economic History Workshop*, London School of Economics and Political Science
163. Frankema, E. (15 April 2010) 'Toiling for Prisons or Hospitals? A comparative study of colonial taxation and public spending in British Africa' *8th Economic and Social Science History Conference*, Ghent University
164. Frankema, E. Smits, J.P. and P. Woltjer (04 September 2009) 'Comparing Labour Productivity in Western Europe and the United States, ca. 1910: A New Benchmark of Industry-of-Origin PPPs', *8th European Historical Economics Society Conference*, Geneva Graduate Institute
165. Frankema, E. (06 August 2009) 'Raising Revenue in the British Empire, 1870-1940: How 'extractive' were colonial taxes?', *XVth World Economic History Congress*, Utrecht University, International Institute of Social History, Amsterdam
166. Frankema, E. (05 June 2009) 'Raising Revenue in the British Empire, 1870-1940: How 'extractive' were colonial taxes?', *3rd European Conference on African Studies*, University of Leipzig
167. Frankema, E. (08 May 2009) 'Reconstructing Labour Income Shares in Argentina, Brazil and Mexico, 1870-2000', Mini-conference *A Comparative Approach to Inequality and Development: Latin America and Europe*, Fundación Ramón Areces and Instituto Figuerola, Carlos III, Madrid
168. Frankema, E. (07 July 2008) 'The Comparative Development of Wage Inequality in Twentieth Century Latin America', *3rd Marie Curie Research Training Network and ESF Global-Euronet Summer School on Economic and Social Inequalities in Historical Perspective*, Paris School of Economics

169. Frankema, E. (22 May 2008) 'De koloniale wortels van ongelijkheid. Een comparatieve analyse van belasting regimes in Azië, Afrika en de Nieuwe Wereld, 1492-2000', *N.W. Posthumus Conference 2008*, University of Groningen
170. Frankema, E. (29 February 2008) 'The Comparative Development of Wage Inequality in Twentieth Century Latin America', *7th Economic and Social Science History Conference*, Lisbon
171. Frankema, E. and J.P. Smits (15 June 2007) 'Over de rol van cultuur en sociale cohesie in de economische geschiedenis', *N.W. Posthumus Workshop Future Perspectives on the field of social and economic history*, International Institute of Social History, Amsterdam
172. Frankema, E. (23 August 2006) 'A Theil decomposition of Latin American income distribution in the 20th Century: Inverting the Kuznets Curve?', *XIVth International Economic History Conference*, Helsinki
173. Frankema, E. (24 August 2006) 'The Colonial Origins of Inequality: Exploring the Causes and Consequences of Land Distribution', *XIVth International Economic History Conference*, Helsinki
174. Frankema, E. (27 July 2006) 'The Colonial Origins of Inequality: Exploring the Causes and Consequences of Land Distribution', *1st Marie Curie Research Training Network Summer School on Economic Growth in the Extremely Long Run*, European University Institute, Florence
175. Frankema, E. (05 June 2006) 'The Colonial Origins of Inequality: Exploring the Causes and Consequences of Land Distribution', *3rd World Bank Conference on Inequality*, World Bank, Washington D.C.
176. Frankema, E. (12 May 2006) 'A Theil decomposition of Latin American income distribution in the 20th Century: Inverting the Kuznets Curve?', *N.W. Posthumus PhD-conference*, International Institute of Social History, Amsterdam
177. Frankema, E. (22 March 2006) 'A Theil decomposition of Latin American income distribution in the 20th Century: Inverting the Kuznets Curve?', *6th Economic and Social Science History Conference*, International Institute of Social History, Amsterdam
178. Frankema E. and J. Th. Lindblad (08 September 2005) 'Technological Development and Economic Growth in Indonesia and Thailand since 1950', *Seminar on Technology and Economic Growth in Asia*, Hitotsubashi University, Tokyo
179. Frankema, E. and J.P. Smits (02 September 2005) 'Globalisation without Regionalisation: Why Latin American and African countries trade so little with their neighbours', *N.W. Posthumus conference*, University of Groningen
180. Frankema, E. (16 July 2005) 'The Colonial Origins of Inequality: Exploring the Causes and Consequences of Land Distribution', *Ibero-America Institute for Economic Research symposium*, Georg-August Universität, Göttingen

181. Frankema, E and J.P. Smits (18 October 2004) 'Explaining non-catching up: international differences in economic welfare in Latin America, East Asia and Sub-Saharan Africa during the twentieth century', *Conference on Catch-up Growth and Technology Transfer in Asia and Western Europe*, University of Groningen
182. Frankema, E. (15 October 2004) 'Income distribution and inequality in Latin America 1850-2000: A long run comparative perspective', *ESTER Research Design Course*, University of Brescia
183. Frankema, E. (14 May 2004) 'Persistent inequality in 20th Century Latin America: The impact of initial asset distribution on educational investments', *Workshop on Welfare Effects of Economic Growth*, University of Groningen
184. Frankema, E. and J.P. Smits (25 April 2004) 'The dynamics of non-catching up: Institutional impediments to modern economic growth in the less developed countries during the twentieth century', *5th Economic and Social Science History Conference*, Humboldt Universität, Berlin

SERVICE TO ACADEMIC COMMUNITY

Organization of international conferences, seminars and workshops

- Co-organizer of the joint 13th CEPR Economic History Symposium & the 11th Banco de España Economic History Seminar, 27-29 May 2026, Roda de Bará, Spain
- Principle organizer of the Handbook of the Economic History of Colonialism Conference, joint with Tirthankar Roy, London School of Economics, 13-14 December 2025
- Principle organizer of the online workshop Shifting Patterns of Migration in Africa, 1800-present, joint with Michiel de Haas, Wageningen University, 14-15 May 2020
- Principle organizer of the workshop Shifting Patterns of Migration in Africa, 1800-present, joint with Michiel de Haas, University of Barcelona, 17 October 2019
- Principle organizer of the workshop on Migration in Africa, joint with Michiel de Haas, Wageningen University, 13-14 December 2018
- Co-organizer of the session *Growing Public in Africa*, XVIIIth World Economic History Conference, joint with Denis Cogneau, Boston, MA, 02 August 2018
- Principle organizer of the workshop *Financing Empire. Comparing Colonial Fiscal States in Africa and Asia, 1850-1960*, SOAS, University of London, 24-25 June 2016
- Co-organizer of the N.W. Posthumus Conference *Sustainability in History*, Wageningen University, 27-28 May 2016

- Principle organizer of the session *From Natural Resources to Human Capital: the historical development of institutions for knowledge and skill transfers in Sub-Saharan Africa*, 11th European Social Science History Conference 2016 (ESSHC), Valencia, 30 March 2016
- Principle organizer of symposium on *African soils, climate and historical agriculture*, Wageningen University, 07 January 2016
- Principle organizer of the *10th Annual Meeting of the African Economic History Network* (AEHN), Wageningen University, 30-31 October 2015
- Principle organizer of the session *An Undervalued Comparison. Growth, Inequality and Institutions in Africa and Latin America since 1492*, XVIIth World Economic History Conference 2015 (WEHC), joint with Luis Bértola, Kyoto University, 04 August 2015
- Co-organizer of the workshop on *Colonialism, Growth and Development in the Southern Hemisphere, 1800-2000*, Lund University, 24-25 April 2015
- Co-organizer of the RIDGE workshop on *Comparative studies of the Southern Hemisphere in global economic history and development*, Montevideo, 26-27 March 2015
- Co-organizer of the *5th Southern Hemisphere Economic History Summer School* (SHEHSS), Universidad de la República, Montevideo, 23-25 March 2015
- Co-organizer of the *4th Southern Hemisphere Economic History Summer School* (SHEHSS), Universidad de la República, Montevideo, 09-13 December 2013
- Book launch of *Colonial Exploitation and Economic Development. The Belgian Congo and the Netherlands Indies Compared* at the Centre of African Studies, School of Oriental and African Studies (SOAS), University of London, 14 October 2013
- Co-organizer of the session *Inequality and Social Conflicts in the Developing World*, Tenth Swedish Economic History Meeting, joint with Erik Green and Ellen Hillbom, Lund University, 05 October 2013
- Co-organizer of the session *Markets and Trade in Pre-colonial Africa*, Tenth Swedish Economic History Meeting, joint with Erik Green and Ellen Hillbom, Lund University, 05 October 2013
- Co-organizer of the session *Colonial Legacies in African Economic History*, Tenth Swedish Economic History Meeting, joint with Erik Green and Ellen Hillbom, Lund University, 04 October 2013
- Co-organizer of the session *Agricultural Production and Poverty in the Developing World*, Tenth Swedish Economic History Meeting, joint with Erik Green and Ellen Hillbom, Lund University, 04 October 2013

- Principle organizer of the session *Colonial Fiscal Policy in Global Perspective*, XVIth World Economic History Congress, joint with Anne Booth, University of Stellenbosch, South Africa, 12 July 2012
- Co-organizer of the session *Human Capital and Development in Africa and Latin America*, XVIth World Economic History Congress, joint with Joerg Baten, University of Stellenbosch, South Africa, 11 July 2012
- Co-organizer of the 2nd workshop *Colonial Extraction in The Netherlands Indies and Belgian Congo: Institutions, Institutional Change and Long Term Consequences*, joint with Frans Buelens, University of Antwerp, 7-8 October 2011
- Co-organizer of the Center for Global Economic History launch *Economic History meets Development Economics*, Utrecht University, 01 July 2011
- Principle organizer of the session *Drivers and Carriers of Globalisation*, N.W. Posthumus Conference 2011, University of Antwerp, 12 May 2011
- Principle organizer of the panel *Colonial Taxation in Global Perspective*, 3rd ENIUGH European Congress on World and Global History, London School of Economics, 15 April 2011
- Principle organizer of the workshop *Colonial Extraction in The Netherlands Indies and Belgian Congo: Institutions, Institutional Change and Long Term Consequences*, Utrecht University, 03-04 December 2010
- Principle organizer of the panel *Long-term Perspective on Economic Change*, 8th European Social Science History Conference, Ghent University, 14 April 2010
- Principle organizer of the *Utrecht Social and Economic History Seminars*, Utrecht University, February-April 2010
- Co-organizer of the *XVth World Economic History Congress 2009*, responsible for Media & press, Utrecht University, 03-07 August 2009
- Principle organizer of the *Utrecht Social and Economic History Spring Seminars*, Utrecht University, February-April 2009
- Principle organizer of the N.W. Posthumus workshop *Drivers and Carriers of Globalisation*, Utrecht University, 24 October 2008
- Co-organizer of the workshop, *Welfare effects of Economic Growth*, joint with Jan-Pieter Smits, University of Groningen, 14 May 2004

Reviews for international peer-reviewed journals

Journal of Economic History (12)
Economic History Review (10)
European Review of Economic History (7)
Economic History of Developing Regions (6)
Journal of Institutional Economics (4)
Revista de Historia Económica (3)
The Low Countries Journal of Social and Economic History (3)
Journal of Development Economics (3)
World Development (3)
Journal of African History (3)
Cliometrica (2)
Journal of African Studies and Development (2)
African Affairs (2)
Explorations in Economic History (1)
Review of Economic Studies (1)
Journal of Modern African Studies (1)
American Political Science Review (1)
Journal of International Development (1)
Journal of Development Studies (1)
Scandinavian Economic History Review (1)
Review of Income and Wealth (1)
Research Policy (1)
Comparative Political Studies (1)
Journal of African Economies (1)
Journal of Comparative Politics (1)
Cambridge Review of International Affairs (1)
The Journal of Colonialism and Colonial History (1)
Governance (1)
Business History (1)
Historical Methods (1)
British Journal of Political Science (1)
Journal of Economic Development (1)
Bulletin of Indonesian Economic Studies (1)
Research in Social Stratification and Mobility (1)
Economic Systems Research (1)
NJAS- Wageningen Journal of Life Sciences (1)
The Annals of Regional Science (1)
European Journal of Political Economy (1)
Economics and Human Biology (1)
Historical Methods: A Journal of Quantitative and Interdisciplinary History (1)

Reviews for publishers (book proposals)

Palgrave Macmillan (3)
Cambridge University Press (3)
Oxford University Press (1)

Brill Global Economic History Series (1)
 Springer Business & Economics (1)
 Routledge History Series (1)
 Amsterdam University Press (1)

Reviews for research councils and grant programs

European Research Council (ERC)
 European Science Foundation (ESF)
 The British Academy, UK
 Fonds de la Recherche Scientifique (FNRS), France
 South African National Research Foundation (NRF), South Africa
 Fonds voor Wetenschappelijk Onderzoek Vlaanderen (FWO), Belgium
 The Handelsbanken Wallander Scholarship Foundation, Sweden
 European University Institute, Florence, Italy
 Cambridge University, Graduate program, UK
 Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft (DFG), Germany
 Freiburg Institute for Advanced Studies (FRIAS), Germany
 Marie Spreyer Excellence Grants, University of Luxembourg, Luxembourg
 The Dutch Royal Academy of Sciences (KNAW), The Netherlands
 The Netherlands Organisation for Scientific Research (NWO), The Netherlands
 Wageningen School of Social Sciences (WASS), The Netherlands

Other services to the Academic Community

2026	Member of the FWO <i>Postdoc fellowship</i> selection committee History and Archaeology
2024-	Member of the Academic Board of Wageningen <i>Studium Generale</i>
2023-26	Chair of the international steering committee <i>Colonial Entanglements of Wageningen University</i>
2024	Member of the <i>Ammodo Science Award</i> selection committee, Humanities
2023	Member of the NWO <i>VICI-Grant</i> selection committee, Humanities
2023	Member of the FWO <i>Postdoc fellowship</i> selection committee History and Archaeology
2022	Chair of the advisory committee of the Wageningen chair Public Administration and Policy
2021	Member of the design committee for the MSc track Economics of Sustainability
2016	Technical chair of the NWO <i>VENI-Grant</i> selection committee of the Humanities panel
2015	Chair of the NWO <i>VENI-Grant</i> selection committee of the Humanities 2015
2015	Member of the Jury <i>KNAW Onderwijsprijs 2015</i> (Profile Economy and Society)
2014	Steering committee member ‘Research’ for the Strategic Plan of Wageningen University, 2015-2018

2014	Steering committee member of the Social Sciences MSc programs, Wageningen University
2014	Advisory committee member of the Wageningen chair Sociology of Development and Change
2013	Search committee of the <i>Prince Claus Chair</i> , 2014-2016

TEACHING & SUPERVISION

2010	Awarded University Teaching Qualification (BKO), May 12 th 2010, Utrecht University
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Courses (per academic year)

2025-26	BSc Course: <i>Colonialism and Slavery in World History</i> , Social Science Group, Wageningen University
2025-26	MSc Course: <i>Economic Origins of Democracy and Dictatorship</i> , Social Science Group, Wageningen University
2025-26	MSc Course: <i>Rethinking Economics for the Real World</i> , Social Science Group, Wageningen University
2025-26	BSc Course: <i>Introduction in International Development Studies</i> , Social Science Group, Wageningen University
2025-26	MSc Course: <i>Theories on Politics and Governance</i> , Social Science Group, Wageningen University
2024-25	BSc Course: <i>Colonialism and Slavery in World History</i> , Social Science Group, Wageningen University
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2023-24	BSc Course: <i>Introduction in International Development Studies</i> , Social Science Group, Wageningen University
2023-24	MSc Course: <i>Theories on Politics and Governance</i> , Social Science Group, Wageningen University
2022-23	Honours BSc Course: <i>Introduction to BSc Honours Programme 2023</i> , Wageningen University
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2022-23	BSc Course: <i>Introduction in International Development Studies</i> , Social Science Group, Wageningen University
2021-22	Honours BSc Course: <i>Introduction to BSc Honours Programme 2022</i> , Wageningen University
2021-22	MSc Course: <i>African Economic History</i> , African School of Economics, Cotonou, Benin
2021-22	BSc Course: <i>History of Food Production</i> , Wageningen University
2021-22	MSc Course: <i>Theories on Politics and Governance</i> , Social Science Group, Wageningen University
2021-22	BSc Course: <i>Introduction in International Development Studies</i> , Social Science Group, Wageningen University
2020-21	BSc Course: <i>The Origins of Global Economic Inequality</i> , Social Science Group, Wageningen University
2020-21	MSc Course: <i>Theories on Politics and Governance</i> , Social Science Group, Wageningen University
2020-21	BSc Course: <i>Sustainability and Resilience in Historical Perspective</i> , Social Science Group, Wageningen University
2020-21	BSc Course: <i>Introduction in International Development Studies</i> , Social Science Group, Wageningen University
2019-20	BSc Course: <i>History of Food Production</i> , Wageningen University
2019-20	MSc Course: <i>Theories on Politics and Governance</i> , Social Science Group, Wageningen University
2019-20	BSc Course: <i>Introduction in International Development Studies</i> , Social Science Group, Wageningen University
2017-18	Honours BSc Course: <i>Introduction to BSc Honours Programme 2018</i> , Wageningen University
2018-19	MSc Course: <i>African Economic History</i> , African School of Economics, Cotonou, Benin
2018-19	MSc Course: <i>Theories on Politics and Governance</i> , Social Science Group, Wageningen University
2018-19	BSc Course: <i>Economics and Governance in Historical Perspective</i> , Social Science Group, Wageningen University
2018-19	BSc Course: <i>Introduction in International Development Studies</i> , Social Science Group, Wageningen University
2017-18	Honours BSc Course: <i>Introduction to BSc Honours Programme 2018</i> , Wageningen University
2017-18	MSc Course: <i>Theories on Politics and Governance</i> , Social Science Group, Wageningen University
2017-18	BSc Course: <i>Introduction in International Development Studies</i> , Social Science Group, Wageningen University
2016-17	Honours BSc Course: <i>Introduction to BSc Honours Programme 2017</i> , Wageningen University
2016-17	BSc Course: <i>History of Food Production</i> , Wageningen University
2016-17	BSc Course: <i>Introduction in International Development Studies</i> , Social Science Group, Wageningen University

2016-17	MSc Course: <i>International Arenas of Political Development</i> , Social Science Group, Wageningen University
2015-16	Honours BSc Course: <i>Introduction to BSc Honours Programme 2016</i> , Wageningen University
2015-16	BSc Course: <i>History of Food Production</i> , Wageningen University
2015-16	BSc Course: <i>Economics and Governance in Historical Perspective</i> , Social Science Group, Wageningen University
2015-16	BSc Course: <i>Introduction in International Development Studies</i> , Social Science Group, Wageningen University
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