

DR. FLEUR CRISTABEL VAN LEEUWEN

EDUCATION

- 01/2004 – 11/2009 *Utrecht University*
PhD International Law
Thesis: Women's Rights are Human Rights: The Practice of the UN Human Rights Committee and the Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights.
(Published by Cambridge: Intersentia, 2009)
- 09/1996 – 03/2003 *Utrecht University*
LL.B & LL.M. International Law
Thesis: The laws on state responsibility & armed conflict.
(Award-winning moot court memorial for the Philip C. Jessup International Law Moot Court)

PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS

- 11/2021 – Present Assistant Professor
Boğaziçi University, Istanbul, Department of Political Science & Int'l Relations
- 09/2019 – Present Lecturer
Boğaziçi University, Istanbul, Department of Political Science & Int'l Relations
- 09/2016 – Present Senior affiliated researcher
Atria: Institute on Gender Equality & Women's History, Amsterdam
- 05/2019 – Present Editor in Chief
Tijdschrift voor Genderstudies (Peer reviewed academic journal: tijdschriftvoorgenderstudies.nl)
- 09/2018 – 09/2019 Visiting researcher
Boğaziçi University, Istanbul, Department of Political Science & Int'l Relations
- 09/2013 – 08/2015 Lecturer
Koç University, Istanbul, Law School
- 02/2013 – 02/2015 Lecturer
Boğaziçi University, Istanbul, Department of Political Science & Int'l Relations
- 07/2009 – 09/2010 Assistant professor
Yeditepe University, Istanbul, Law School
- 02/2007 – 07/2009 Lecturer
Utrecht University, Law School, Department International and European Law
- 01/2004 – 07/2009 PhD Candidate & lecturer
Utrecht University, Law School, Netherlands Institute of Human Rights
- 06/2003 – 01/2004 Research assistant
Utrecht University, Law School, Netherlands Institute of Human Rights
- 05/2003 – 01/2004 Legal research assistant
Clara Wichmann Institute: Expert Centre on Women and Law, Amsterdam
- 07/2002 – 08/2002 Lecturer
Utrecht University, Summer School Dutch Culture, department of humanities

PUBLICATIONS

MONOGRAPH

Van Leeuwen, F. (2009) *Women's Rights are Human Rights: The Practice of the United Nations Human Rights Committee and the Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights*. Cambridge: Intersentia.

ARTICLES & BOOK CHAPTERS

Van Leeuwen, F. (2022) 'Women's rights at the UN: from formal equality to gender mainstreaming.' *The Women's Convention Turned 40*. I. Westendorp (ed), Cambridge: Intersentia.

Drandic, D., & Van Leeuwen, F. (2020) 'COVID-19: a watershed moment for women's rights in childbirth.' *COVID-19 and SRH/MNH: A Curated Online Collection for Medical Anthropology Quarterly*, A. Strong & E. Varley (eds).

Van Leeuwen, F. (2019) 'The United Nations and the Promotion and Protection of Women's Human Rights: A Work in Progress.' *Canadian Woman Studies/les cahiers de la femme*, 33 (1 - 2), 27-37.

Van Leeuwen, F. (2016) 'A short introduction to the United Nations system for the promotion and protection of human rights.' *VN Forum* (1-2).

Van Leeuwen, F. (2016) 'The case of M.G. versus Turkey.' *European Human Rights Cases*. EHRC 2016/128, no 6.

Van Leeuwen, F. (2015) 'Milestone or stillbirth? An analysis of the first judgment of the European Court of Human Rights on home birth.' *Equality and Human Rights: Nothing but Trouble*, M. van de Brink et al. (eds), Utrecht: SIM Special 38, 197-210.

Van Leeuwen, F. (2013) 'Women's Rights are Human Rights.' *Women's Human Rights – CEDAW in International, Regional, and National Law*, A. Hellum and H. Sindig-Aassen (eds.), Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 242-267.

Van Leeuwen, F. (2013) 'Seksuele Gerichtheid en Burgerlijke Staat.' *Oordelenbundel 2012 - Gelijke Behandeling: Oordelen en Commentaar*, Holtmaat, R. (Ed.), Nijmegen: Wolf Legal Publishers, 101-122.

Van Leeuwen, F. (2013) 'The case of Eremia versus Moldova.' *European Human Rights Cases* 14(9), 2014 - 2026.

Van Leeuwen, F. (2012) 'The United Nations and the Promotion and Protection of Women's Human Rights: A Work in Progress.' *The Women's Convention Turned 30: Achievements, Setbacks, and Prospects*, Westendorp, I. (ed.), Cambridge: Intersentia, 13-29.

Van Leeuwen, F. (2012) 'Seksuele Gerichtheid en Gelijke Behandeling.' *Oordelenbundel 2011 - Gelijke Behandeling: Oordelen en Commentaar*, Forder, C. (Ed.), Nijmegen: Wolf Legal Publishers, 203-225.

Van Leeuwen, F., & Amolla, R. (2009) 'A Human Rights Approach to Improving Maternal Health: Possibilities for Realising Millennium Development Goal 5.' *ESR Review: Economic and Social Rights in South Africa* 10 (4), 21 – 24.

Van Leeuwen, F. (2008) 'El Derecho a Decidir de Una Mujer.' (*A woman's right to decide*). *Mujeres, Derechos y Ciudadania*, Mestre I Mestre, R. (ed.), Tirant lo Blanch, Valencia, 135 – 164.

Van Leeuwen, F. (2007) 'A Woman's Right to Decide? – The United Nations Human Rights Committee, Human Rights of Women and Matters of Human Reproduction.' *Netherlands Quarterly of Human Rights* 25 (1), 97 – 116.

Van Leeuwen, F. (2006) 'Wanneer Je Geen Baas in Eigen Buik Bent: Mensenrechten en het Abortusvraagstuk.' *NJCM-Bulletin* 31(4), 567 – 574.

Van Leeuwen, F. (2005-2013) 'Mensenrechten – Verenigde Naties.' Biannual chronicle in academic legal journal *Ars Aequi*.

SELECTED ACADEMIC BLOGPOSTS

Drandic, D., & Van Leeuwen, F., "'But a small price to pay' - Degradation of Rights in Childbirth During COVID-19.' *Oxford Human Rights Hub*, 8 April 2020.

Van Leeuwen, F., 'Cyberviolence, domestic abuse and lack of a gender-sensitive approach - Reflections on Buturuga versus Romania.' *Strasbourg Observers*, 11 March 2020.

Van Leeuwen, F., 'Still the second sex: Some feminist reflections on the new General Comment of the UN Human Rights Committee on the right to life.' *Oxford Human Rights Hub*, 13 May 2019.

Van Leeuwen, F., ‘The limits of human rights law: dissenting androcentric voices in Talpis versus Italy.’ *Strasbourg Observers*, 30 May 2017.

Van Leeuwen, F., ‘Back on Track! Court acknowledges gendered nature of domestic violence in M.G. versus Turkey.’ *Strasbourg Observers*, 14 April 2016.

Van Leeuwen, F., ‘Just another murder or gender-based violence: a commentary on Civek versus Turkey.’ *Strasbourg Observers*, 3 March 2016.

Van Leeuwen, F., ‘The missing voice of pregnant women: third party interventions in the Dubska and Krejzova case.’ *Strasbourg Observers*, 23 November 2015.

INTERVIEWS

Van Leeuwen, F. (2020) ‘De rivier die altijd stroomt’: interview met Janneke van Mens-Verhulst.’ *Tijdschrift voor Genderstudies* (Journal of Gender Studies) 23(4), 255-268.

Van Kessel, L., & Van Leeuwen, F. (2019) ‘“In the end, we always have to call institutions to account”: Interview with Wigbertson Julian Isenia and Naomie Pieter.’ *Tijdschrift voor Genderstudies* (Journal of Gender Studies) 22 (3), 285-297.

Van Leeuwen, F. (2013) ‘Het CEDAW blijft noodzakelijk. Interview met Cees Flinterman.’ *Tijdschrift voor Genderstudies* (Journal of Gender Studies) 16 (1), 37-40.

SELECTED EDITORIALS

Oldersma, J., Van den Hengel, L., Blok, E., & Van Leeuwen, F. (2020) ‘Veertig jaar Tijdschrift voor Genderstudies - een terugblik.’ *Tijdschrift voor Genderstudies* 23(3), 193-199.

Van Kessel, L., & Van Leeuwen, F. (2019) ‘Nieuwe perspectieven op de geschiedenis van de Nederlandse homo-emancipatie.’ *Tijdschrift voor Genderstudies* 22(3), 227-230.

De Jong, S., Bracke, S., Oldersma, J., & Van Leeuwen, F. (2014) ‘Crossing gendered borders.’ *Tijdschrift voor Genderstudies* (Journal of Gender Studies) 17(3), 201-209.

De Jong, S., Koevoets, S., & Van Leeuwen, F. (2014) ‘Gendered Fortress Europe.’ *Tijdschrift voor Genderstudies* 17(2), 105-113, together with S. de Jong & S. Koevoets.

Flinterman, C., Holtmaat, R., & Van Leeuwen, F. (2013) ‘Het CEDAW-Comite en de bevordering en bescherming van mensenrechten van vrouwen.’ *Tijdschrift voor Genderstudies* 16(1), 2-6.

Leye, E., Longman, C. & Van Leeuwen, F. (2011) ‘Schadelijke culturele praktijken II.’ *Tijdschrift voor Genderstudies* 14(3).

BOOK REVIEWS

Van Leeuwen, F. (2009) ‘Legal responses to trafficking in women for sexual exploitation in the European Union. By H. Askola.’ *European Law Journal* 15(6), 816 – 818.

MANUAL

Van Leeuwen, F. (2004) *Het Facultatief Protocol bij het VN-Vrouwenverdrag: Klagen over Vrouwendiscriminatie*. Clara Wichmann Instituut.

RECENT (INVITED) TALKS

10/2021 “‘We need more birth-giving machines’ or why women are still the second sex.’ *Women on Board training session*. Yonetim Kurulunda Kadın Derneği, 15 October 2021.

10/2021 ‘Human rights responses to increasing inequalities.’ *Human Rights for the Future*. Utrecht University, the Netherlands, 2 October 2021.

04/2021 ‘A human right to give birth at home? Reflections on the home birth jurisprudence of the European Court of Human Rights.’ *Birth Rights Bar Association Conference Childbirth and the Law*, Loyola University Chicago School of Law, United States, 16 - 17 April 2021.

- 03/2021 ‘Intimate partner violence & human rights: a critical appraisal of the European approach.’ *European Weekend School*, Boğaziçi University, Turkey, 17 March 2021.
- 09/2020 ‘This is but a small price to pay’ - Reflections on the childbirth narrative of the European Court of Human Rights, *The Sexual Politics of Freedom*, Galway University, Ireland, 17 September 2020.
- 11/2019 ‘The importance of the new Irish law on mandatory inquests into maternal deaths from a human rights perspective.’ *Thank you event*. The Elephant Collective. Dublin, 15 November 2019.
- 03/2018 Key-note speech: ‘Mandatory inquests into maternal deaths: a human rights perspective.’ *Picking up the threads - Remembering maternal deaths*, University College Cork, 27 March 2018.
- 03/2018 ‘Maternal deaths & human rights: international human rights advocacy for effective independent investigations & follow up.’ *Picking up the threads - Remembering maternal deaths*, University College Cork, 28 March 2018.
- 12/2018 ‘Gender trouble: domestic violence at the European Court of Human Rights.’ *Symposium on gender-based violence and human rights*, University of Amsterdam, 8 December 2018.
- 06/2017 ‘CEDAW - Engendering human rights.’ *Taking stock of UNHRL case law*, Centre for Global Public Law of Koç University, 8 June 2017.
- 02/2017 ‘Maternal deaths, mandatory inquests & human rights. *Picking up the threads - remaking the fabric of care*, University of Galway, 2 February 2017.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- 09/2019 - Present Undergraduate
Boğaziçi University, Istanbul, Department of Political Science & Int'l Relations
 Public International Law. Taught face-to-face & online in English.
 Law of International Organisations. Taught face-to-face & online in English.
 Human Rights Theory & Practice. Taught face-to-face & online in English.
- 09/2013 - 08/2015 Undergraduate
Koç University, Istanbul, Law School
 International Human Rights Law. Taught face-to-face in English.
- 02/2013 – 02/2015 Undergraduate
Boğaziçi University, Istanbul, Department of Political Science & Int'l Relations
 Human Rights Theory & Practice. Taught face-to-face in English.
- 07/2009 – 09/2010 Undergraduate & graduate
Yeditepe University, Istanbul, Law School
 EU law: Taught face-to-face in English.
 International Human Rights Law. Taught face-to-face in English.
- 02/2007 – 07/2009 Undergraduate
Utrecht University, Law School, Department International and European Law
 International and European Law. Taught face-to-face in Dutch.
- 09/2008 – 01/2009 Graduate
Utrecht University, Law School, Netherlands Institute of Human Rights
 International Human Rights Law. Taught face-to-face in English.
- 02/2006 – 07/2007 Undergraduate
Utrecht University, Law School, Netherlands Institute of Human Rights
 Women’s Human Rights. Taught face-to-face in English.

GUEST LECTURES

10/2016	Undergraduate & graduate <i>National University of Ireland Galway, Irish Centre for Human Rights</i> Human Rights Advocacy for Reproductive Autonomy: Possibilities and Pitfalls
07/2015	Undergraduate & graduate <i>Utrecht University, Summer School, Netherlands Institute of Human Rights</i> Reproductive Rights
04/2015	Undergraduate & graduate <i>Selcuk University, Konya, Department of Political Science & Int'l Relations</i> Women's Human Rights
09/2012	Undergraduate & graduate <i>Selcuk University, Konya, Summer School, Human Rights Centre</i> Women's Human Rights
05/2010	Undergraduate & graduate <i>Selcuk University, Konya, Law School</i> Women's Human Rights
01/2009	Graduate <i>Marmara University, Istanbul, Faculty of Law</i> Introduction to International Human Rights Law

LANGUAGES

Dutch:	Mother tongue
English:	Fluent
Turkish:	Proficient/Intermediate
German:	Proficient/Intermediate
French:	Intermediate

EDITORIAL BOARDS

2019 - present	Editor in chief peer reviewed academic journal Tijdschrift voor Genderstudies. tijdschriftvoorgenderstudies.nl .
2018 - present	Member editorial board Tijdschrift voor Genderstudies.
2009 - 2016	Member editorial board Tijdschrift voor Genderstudies.
2011 - 2013	Member editorial board Oordelenbundel Commissie Gelijke Behandeling. mensenrechten.nl .
2003	Secretary editorial board Nemesis Tijdschrift voor Vrouw & Recht, Clara Wichmann Institute, Amsterdam, the Netherlands.

MISCELLANEOUS

02/2018	Judge Philip C. Jessup International Law Moot Court Competition, Turkish national rounds.
02/2015	Judge Philip C. Jessup International Law Moot Court Competition, Turkish national rounds.

AWARDS

03/2003	Best oralist, Philip C. Jessup International Law Moot Court Competition, National Rounds, The Netherlands.
03/2003	Best memorial, Philip C. Jessup International Law Moot Court Competition, National Rounds, The Netherlands.