

Curriculum Vitae of Jan Willem Gunning

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Born: Breda, The Netherlands, January 7, 1949
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Education

DPhil at Nuffield College, University of Oxford. Thesis on applied general equilibrium modeling: *Income Distribution in Models for Developing Countries: Kenya and Tanzania*, 1979.

University of Groningen, The Netherlands, 1967-72, BSc and MSc in econometrics.

Davidson College, special student (*Nederland-Amerika Instituut*) 1966-67; Richardson scholarship and Fulbright travel grant; courses in psychology, sociology, history and economics.

Career

2014-present mathematics teacher, Vossius Gymnasium, Amsterdam.

2011-2016 member of the Executive Board (General Secretary), Royal Netherlands Academy of Arts and Sciences (KNAW).

1993-2014 Professor of Development Economics, Faculty of Economics and Business Administration (FEWEB), Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam.

2000-2013 Director, Amsterdam Institute for International Development (AIID), research network of the University of Amsterdam (UvA) and the Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam. AIID is mainly active in impact evaluation related to health, insurance, and development NGOs.

2002-2008 Vice Dean and Director of Research, FEWEB, Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam.

1998-2000 Professor in Economics, University of Oxford;¹ Director, Centre for the Study of African Economies; and visiting Professorial Fellow, St. Antony's College.

1987-1993 Professor of Economics (*bijzonder hoogleraar*), in particular international trade and development economics, Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam.

1986-1993 Director, Economic and Social Institute, Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam (ESI-VU).

¹Formally visiting professor since Oxford had no other way of making a fixed-term appointment.

1982-1986 Head of Economic Research, ESI-VU.

1980-1981 Research fellow, Center for Mathematical Economics and Econometrics, *Université Libre de Bruxelles* (ULB), Brussels.

1978-1979 DPhil student, Nuffield College, Oxford; taught development economics at University College, London (UCL); consultant to the World Bank.

1973-1978 Staff member of the World Bank, Washington, DC, initially as Young Professional (YP); economist in the Central Projects Staff 1973, Eastern Africa Region 1974, Economic Analysis and Projections Department 1974-78.

1970-1973 University of Groningen, The Netherlands, research and teaching assistant in the economics department 1970-72, lecturer in the physics department 1973.

Research

micro-insurance in developing countries; transport cost and economic choice; methodology of impact evaluation; microeconomic analysis of economic growth under risk; impact evaluation of development NGOs, of budget support and of water and sanitation programs; aid conditionality; economic performance in Africa; the microeconomics of manufacturing firms; trade and exchange rate policy; economic reform in heavily regulated economies; the impact of trade shocks; the economics of rationing; general equilibrium modelling.

Honours

officer in the Order of Orange-Nassau, 2016.

member, Royal Holland Society of Sciences and Humanities, elected 2011.

member, Royal Netherlands Academy of Arts and Sciences, elected 2008.

honorary doctorate, University of Auvergne, Clermont-Ferrand I, France, 2007, awarded for ‘leading role in economic research on Africa ... building bridges between development economics and mainstream economics ... critical work on the role and effectiveness of aid and ... innovative research on the microeconomic effects of risk.’

PhD Supervision

supervisor (*promotor*) of 30 PhD students (16 nationalities).

28 theses completed: 19 at the Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam, 6 at Oxford, 2 at the University of Amsterdam, and 1 at Wageningen; 2 ongoing.

Selected Editorial Positions

member, editorial board, *World Bank Economic Review*, Oxford University Press, 2001-09.

member, editorial board, *Revue d'Économie du Développement*, Presses Universitaires de France, 1994-.

co-founder and managing editor, *Journal of African Economies*, Oxford University Press, 1991-2002.

Other Professional Activities

International

impact evaluation studies for the Netherlands Ministry of Foreign Affairs: primary education in Zambia, 2006-08; water and sanitation in Tanzania, 2006-07, in Yemen 2007-08, in Egypt, 2007-12, and in Mozambique, 2009-14; budget support in Zambia, 2009-11; Netherlands development NGOs, synthesis study, 2012-15.

Department for International Development (DfID), London, Economic and Social Committee on Research, member, 1998-2000.

Government Office for Science, London, member of the lead expert group, Foresight Project on Disaster Preparedness, 2012.

International Labour Organization (ILO), Geneva, Scientific Committee of the Microinsurance Innovation Facility, member 2008-2012.

European Development Research Network (EUDN): co-founder, 2000, chair, 2000-04, vice chair, 2004-07.

International Monetary Fund (IMF), Washington, DC: invited by the Board of the IMF to conduct (with three colleagues at Harvard, Oxford and Yale) the first ever external evaluation of the Fund; this 'group of independent persons' investigated the evidence on the impact of IMF-supported 'structural adjustment programmes' in developing countries, 1997-98; its critical report became very influential.

African Economic Research Consortium (AERC), Nairobi (a very successful international institution for building African research capacity): resource person (two weeks per year), 1994-2004; chair of the group on trade policy, political economy and microeconomics, 2000-04; member, steering committee, research programme on *The Political Economy of Economic Growth in Africa, 1960-2000*, 1999-2007; member, committee on the collaborative PhD programme, 1998-99; member, steering committee, research programme on *Regional Integration and Trade Liberalization*, 1994-98.

Centre for the Study of African Economies (CSAE), University of Oxford: helped Paul Collier to found the Centre (now the leading research institute in its field), 1987-88; co-director of a large number of CSAE research projects, 1987-98; succeeded Collier as the Centre's director, 1998.

Centre d'Études et de Recherches sur le Développement International (CERDI), University of Auvergne, Clermont-Ferrand I: visiting professor (one week each year for 25 years), 1987-2011; since 2010 involved in the *Fondation pour les Études et Recherches sur le Développement International* (FERDI).

team leader, Zimbabwe study, Regional Program on Enterprise Development (RPED): multi-round surveys of manufacturing firms, conducted by the Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam and the University of Zimbabwe, 1992-95; member of the Industrial Surveys in Africa (ISA) group, 12 researchers from 8 countries who used the RPED datasets to analyze the economics of industrial performance in Africa, 1997-2000.

co-director, study on *Trade Shocks in Developing Countries* (involving researchers in 23 countries), 1992-96.

National

Royal Netherlands Academy of Arts and Sciences (KNAW): Humanities and Social Sciences Division, member of the board, 2011-16; Behavioural and Social Sciences Section, chair 2010-12; International Policy Committee, member 2009-12; Education Prize Committee (Social Sciences), chair 2011.

National Research Foundation (NWO): chair of the interdisciplinary *Veni* committee, 2010; chair of the WOTRO committee on poverty research, 2006.

Permanent Committee for Development Cooperation (COS), Advisory Council for International Affairs (AIV): member 1997-2001.

National Advisory Council on Development Cooperation (NAR): member 1987-97.

Fulbright Center (Netherlands America Commission for Educational Exchange): member of the board, since 2013.

Tinbergen Institute (the joint research institute and graduate school in economics of the Erasmus University Rotterdam, University of Amsterdam and Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam): member of the Board of Directors, 1996-98; member of the Supervisory Board 2002-08; member of the Admissions Board for MPhil and PhD students, 2004-08.

Amsterdam Institute for International Development: co-founder (with Jacques van der Gaag of the University of Amsterdam), 1999-2000; board member representing the Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam, since 2013.

African Studies Centre, Leiden: Academic Advisory Council, member 2013-16.

Selected Publications

‘Evaluation of Development Programs: Randomized Controlled Trials or Regressions?’, *World Bank Economic Review*, vol. 28, 2014, pp. 432-445 (with Chris Elbers).

‘Growth and Risk: Methodology and Micro Evidence’, *World Bank Economic Review*, vol. 21, 2007, pp. 1-20 (with Chris Elbers and Bill Kinsey).

‘Inventories and Risk in African Manufacturing’, *Economic Journal*, vol. 110, 2000, pp. 861-893 (with Marcel Fafchamps and Remco Oostendorp).

Trade Shocks in Developing Countries, 2 volumes, Oxford: Oxford University Press, 1999 (with Paul Collier and associates).

‘Explaining African Economic Performance’, *Journal of Economic Literature*, vol. 37, 1999, pp. 64-111 (with Paul Collier).

‘The IMF’s Role in Structural Adjustment’, *Economic Journal*, vol. 109, 1999, pp. F634-651 (with Paul Collier).

‘Applied General Equilibrium Models for Policy Analysis’, in: J. Behrman and T.N. Srinivasan (eds.), *Handbook of Development Economics*, vol. 3A, Amsterdam: North-Holland, 1995, pp. 2025-2107 (with Michiel Keyzer).

‘Aid and Exchange Rate Adjustment in African Trade Liberalisations’, *Economic Journal*, vol. 102, 1992, pp. 925-939 (with Paul Collier).

Controlled Open Economies: a Neoclassical Approach to Structuralism, Oxford: Oxford University Press (Clarendon Press), 1990 (with David Bevan and Paul Collier).

‘Rationing in an Open Economy: Fix-Price Equilibrium and Two-Gap Models’, *European Economic Review*, vol. 23, 1983, pp. 71-98.