




## Inés VERPLANCKE


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### WORK EXPERIENCE

**01/01/2022 - CURRENT**

#### Self-employed

Unlock people's and organisations' potential, offering:

- Schools: workshops for students on wellbeing/resilience, train-the-trainers for teachers and learning material, and coaching schools to develop a policy for wellbeing at school.
- Organisations: workshops for employees on wellbeing/resilience, coaching of organisations to work on organisational development.
- Individuals: online training on wellbeing/resilience.
- for all: keynote on 'how to survive in fast changing times?'

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**15/01/2020 - 31/12/2021**

#### Sabbatical

##### Formal education

- 15/09/2020 - 30/06/2021: Postgraduate degree 'Trendanalysis and -implementation' - HoGent.
- 15/09/2020 - 01/03/2022: Business Management - Syntra

##### Informal education

- Self-education on personal and organisational development.

**01/10/2009 - 14/01/2020 - Brugge, Belgium**

#### Head

Europe House Ryckvelde, organisation for European citizenship

##### Management

Responsible for the **general management** of the organisation and organisational development: policy planning and coordination, financial policy, quality management, HR, logistics, networking, strategic communication policy.

##### Section 'Europe'

Coordination and project management of **educational projects** about the European Union, such as:

- learning material 'Europe@School', active lessons about the EU, requested by the European Parliament (2018-2020)
- the 'European Parliament Ambassador School' Programme Belgium (2017-2019)
- Erasmus+, Jean Monnet Projects (2011, 2013, 2014, 2015 en 2016): projects on 'How to teach about the EU?'
- project 'Hallo politici', a platform for digital democracy, requested by the European Parliament (2015-2016)
- educational project 'EU-FACTory': a 'pilot' visitors' programme for youngsters of 13-14 years old, requested by the European Commission (2010-2011).

##### Section 'Internationalisation'

Coordination of the activities of the section '**internationalisation**' aiming at educational development and innovation, such as:

- Training sessions on the Erasmus+ programme and other subsidy programmes for staff in compulsory education and adult education.
- Coaching: giving feedback on applications forms, brainstorming on project ideas, tips for strengthening the quality of the projects, etc.
- Expert in several panels: King Boudewijn Foundation, Province of West-Flanders, Jean Monnet Programme, enz.

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**01/09/2007 – 30/09/2009 – Damme, Belgium**

### **Educational and communication officer**

Europe House Ryckvelde

Communication policy

Developing and implementing the communication strategy for Europe House Ryckvelde.

Section 'Europe'

Developing and giving lectures and workshops about the EU for several target groups, based on our educational principles (such as: starting from the interests of the target group, creating a safe learning environment, using (inter)active methods, etc).

Developing **educational material and educational projects** for several target groups, such as

- pupils in primary education: learning material with comic and update of existing material.
- students in secondary education: different types of learning material on current topics.
- for youngsters: European project 'Imagine Europe' about the future of the European Union for university students from Flanders, Poland, Spain and Turkey. (2006-2010).
- for adults: campaign for the elections of the European Parliament (2009) requested by the Liaisonoffice of the European Parliament and the Flemish provincial governments, and the cooperation with 'vzw Museum voor Europa' for the expo 'Dit is onze geschiedenis' (This is our history') (2008).

Section 'Internationalisation'

Coordination of the activities within the section 'Internationalisation', such as information sessions, organising contact seminars and monitoringdays on the request of the Flemish National Agency, booklets on how to improve the quality of your crossborder projects, and tailor-made coaching.

**24/09/2001 – 01/09/2007 – Damme, Belgium**

### **Educational and project officer**

Europe House Ryckvelde

Section 'Europe'

Developing and giving **trainingsessions** (lectures and workshops) about the European Union to several different target groups (outreach: 5.000 persons per year)

- youngsters at school (17-18 years old): all types of education.
- students in higher education
- teachers and professors: teacher trainings
- adults

Developing **educational material** for several target groups:

- for pupils in primary education: didactic box and other educational games about the EU in general.
- for students in secondary education: learning material on different topics, like the EU constitution, the EU enlargement, etc.
- for students in higher education: didactic material and simulation exercises about the EU Council about current topics, like climate change or 'refugees in Europe'.
- for adults: infobrochure about the European Integration Process.

This learning material was developed for several different clients, such as the European Parliament Liaison Office, the Representation of the European Commission in Belgium, the Flemish government, etc.

Organising **European conferences** for youngsters, like the annual Flemish-British 'European Citizenship Conference' (2002-2011), the European conference 'Imagine Europe' for university students from 4 EU-countries or the Flemish-Dutch project 'Age 14' on peace education (2002-2003).

Organising **thematic campaigns and European events**, like Europe debates and the annual 'State of the European Union' in cooperation with the Flemish Parliament and VLEVA.

#### Section 'Internationalisation'

Coordination of activities within the section 'Internationalisation' on the request of the Flemish Ministry of Education and Training, such as:

- infossessions about 'internationalisation' for staff in compulsory education and adult education.
- organising European contactseminars for European educational projects (2001-2012), monitoring days for schools and organisations with a European project (2001-2012) and study visits abroad (2002-2003).
- coaching: feedback on project applications, brainstormsessions, concept-development, etc.

## EDUCATION AND TRAINING

**15/09/2020 – 30/06/2021**

### ● Postgraduate degree 'Trendanalysis and -implementation'

HoGent

**Thesis** De toekomst van het onderwijs

**01/10/1998 – 30/06/2001**

### ● Master Political Sciences

UGent

**National classification** Master | **Thesis** Het Belgische standpunt binnen de IGC n.a.v. het Verdrag van Nice (2001) over de toekomst van de EU

**15/09/1995 – 30/06/1998**

### ● Bachelor Social Work

Katho - Ipsoc (nu: Vives)

**National classification** Bachelor | **Thesis** Interculturele communicatie in een integratiecentrum voor vluchtelingen

**01/09/2009 – 01/04/2010**

### ● Teacher Training

CVO VTI Brugge

**National classification** semester 1

## LANGUAGE SKILLS

**MOTHER TONGUE(S):** Dutch

**OTHER LANGUAGE(S):**

**English**

**Listening**  
C2

**Reading**  
C2

**Spoken  
production**  
C1

**Spoken  
interaction**  
C1

**Writing**  
C2

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**French**

**Listening**  
B2

**Reading**  
B2

**Spoken  
production**  
B1

**Spoken  
interaction**  
B1

**Writing**  
B1

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**German**

**Listening**  
A1

**Reading**  
A1

**Spoken  
production**  
A1

**Spoken  
interaction**  
A1

**Writing**  
A1

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**Italian**

**Listening**  
A2

**Reading**  
A2

**Spoken  
production**  
A1

**Spoken  
interaction**  
A1

**Writing**  
A1

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## DIGITAL SKILLS

### My Digital Skills

Word / Prezi / Powerpoint / Excel / Google Drive / Teams / Outlook / Social Media

## DRIVING LICENCE

 **Driving Licence: B**

## HONOURS AND AWARDS

### Honours and awards

- EduAward Prize of KlasCement for the learning material 'Zeg eens EU...' for students in Second Chance Education - 2007.
- Europese Commission (DG COMM) Success story 'Visitors' programme EU-FACTory' - 2011.
- Europese Commission (Erasmus+) Success story 'Jean Monnet Project' 2014-2015.
- Winner third prijs 'Prize Altiero Spinelli for Outreach' for innovative educational projects - 2018.

## ORGANISATIONAL SKILLS

### Management skills

- general management of an organisation: planning, coordination activities, thinking ahead, inspiring the team, etc.
- professional skills in writing policy plans: general policy plan, communication plan, quality plan, etc.
- professional proficiency in project management: concept development, coordination and follow-up.
- professional skills in leading a multidisciplinary team, with a participatory, horizontal approach, working from the strengths and competencies of the team members.

## HOBBIES AND INTERESTS

### Interests

A broad field of interest, but above all:

- personal leadership and wellbeing: resilience, agility, EQ, etc.
- organisational development: growing an organisation through vision and the strength of a team.
- social evolution / trends at super-macro, macro, meso and micro level and the connection between these levels.

## COMMUNICATION AND INTERPERSONAL SKILLS

### Communication and interpersonal skills

- 18 years of experience in 'didactically translating' the EU and internationalization to a broad audience.
- strong didactical skills
- 18 years of experience in providing training to various groups
- great knowledge of didactic tools
- strong in devising and developing new educational concepts.
- strong in collaboration: experience in working in a team, in leading a team and in collaborating with various clients, partners, contractors, etc.
- very strong consultancy/empathy skills: actively listening to and sensing the needs of target group/clients and actively contributing ideas/searching for answers to their (learning) needs.
- intercultural competence: good skills in organizing international and European projects and conferences, and in collaborating with foreign project partners.

## OTHER SKILLS

### Other skills

- driven, enthusiastic and interested in people
- eager to learn: following webinars, refresher courses, reading
- constructive-critical, quality-driven, target-group-oriented
- open and analytical mindset
- attention to detail
- flexible, but planned approach
- strong in translating difficult content into understandable creative concepts.