

# **Hein van den Berg**

## *Curriculum Vitae*

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### **Affiliation**

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### **Present Appointment**

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| Sept2013 | Assistant Professor (UD), Faculty of Philosophy, Rijksuniversiteit Groningen, part-time (0.6 fte).  |
| Sept2013 | Postdoc, <i>eCloud</i> European Commission's Best Practice Network and <i>@PhilosTEI</i> (CLARIN-NL), Faculty of Philosophy, Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam, part-time (0.4 fte; research, tools development, and evaluation of tools). |

### **Areas of Competence/Specialization**

History of eighteenth-century philosophy  
History of eighteenth-century biology  
History of eighteenth-century logic  
History of ideas

### **Other Relevant Competence**

Digital Humanities

## Previous Work Experience

- Sept2012 – Aug2013 Postdoctoral researcher, *Hendrik Casimir - Karl Ziegler Research Grant 2012* (KNAW), Fakultät Humanwissenschaften und Theologie, Institut für Philosophie und Politikwissenschaft, Technische Universität Dortmund, full-time.
- Sept2011 – Aug2012 Lecturer, Faculty of Philosophy, Rijksuniversiteit Groningen, temporary, part-time (0.3 fte, full-time teaching)
- Apr2011 – Aug2012 Postdoctoral researcher, *ERC Starting Grant Tarski's Revolution*, Faculty of Philosophy, Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam, temporary, part-time (0.4 fte)
- Apr2011 – Aug2011 Lecturer, Faculty of Philosophy, Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam (part-time, 0.15 fte, full-time teaching).
- Oct2010 – Mar2011 Guest researcher fellow, *ERC Starting Grant Tarski's Revolution*, Faculty of Philosophy, Group of History and Philosophy of Logic, Semantics and Axiomatics, Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam (on volunteer basis).
- Jan2009 – Sept2010 Lecturer, Faculty of Philosophy, Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam, part-time (0.77 fte, full-time teaching).
- Jan2005 – Dec2008 Doctoral student, *NWO VIDI Project*, Faculty of Philosophy, Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam, full-time.
- Jan2003 – Feb2004 Student teaching assistant, Faculty of Arts, Rijksuniversiteit Groningen, part-time (workgroup instructor, one course).
- Sept2003 – Oct2003 Student teaching assistant, Faculty of Philosophy, Rijksuniversiteit Groningen, part-time (workgroup instructor, one course)
- Sept2002 – Oct2002 Student teaching assistant, Faculty of Philosophy, Rijksuniversiteit Groningen, part-time (workgroup instructor, one course).
- Jan2001 – Jan2002 Radio host, OOG Radio, Groningen, part-time (one show per week)
- Nov1998 – Aug2003 Kitchen assistant, Restaurant Humphrey's, Groningen, part-time (0.4 fte on average).

## **Education**

- Mar2011 PhD (*cum laude*) (history of philosophy) Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam. Diss.: *Kant on Proper Science: Biology in the Critical Philosophy and the Opus postumum*. Promotor: W.R. de Jong. Supervisor: E-O. Onnasch.
- Aug2004. MA (*cum laude*) (history of philosophy), University of Groningen. Diss.: *Transcendentale Argumenten* (Grade 9/10). Supervisor: D. Pätzold. Average Grade 8.9/10
- Aug2003 BA (*cum laude*) (history of philosophy), University of Groningen. Diss.: *Kants Schematismus* (Grade 9/10). Supervisor: D. Pätzold. Average grade 8.5/10

## **Other Training**

Training 'Academic Teaching' (2006/2007)

## **Grants, Awards & Scholarships**

- 2011 KNAW, Hendrik Casimir - Karl Ziegler research stipend 2012 (50k), *Axiomatics and the Emergence of Biology as a Science. Philosophy of Biology in the 18<sup>th</sup> century*. Project conducted 2012- 2013, TU Dortmund, with Prof. B. Falkenburg.
- 2011 Research prize *Praemium Erasmianum*, in recognition of an exceptional PhD dissertation in the humanities and social sciences in the Netherlands.  
<http://www.erasmusprijs.org/index.cfm?lang=en&page=Research+Prizes>

## **National and International Cooperation**

Cooperation in and coordination of interdisciplinary (e-philosophy) projects

- (2013-) eCloud European Commission's CIP-Best Practice Network (with Europeana and 32 other partners).
- (2013-) *Mapping Philosophy 3* (Algorithms Group, Mathematics and Computer Science, Technische Universiteit Eindhoven, with Arianna Betti & Bettina Speckmann).
- (2012-) Mapping Culture (GlamMap): Scalability of insightful metadata visualization for the GLAM (cultural heritage) sector (Algorithms Group, Mathematics and Computer Science, Technische Universiteit Eindhoven, with Arianna Betti & Bettina Speckmann).

- (2012-) @*Philos TEI*: developing a user-friendly workflow that aids the building of corpora (Tilburg Center for Creative Computing, with Arianna Betti & Martin Reynaert).
- (2012-) *Mapping Philosophy 2* (Algorithms Group, Mathematics and Computer Science, Technische Universiteit Eindhoven, with Arianna Betti & Bettina Speckmann. Coordinator: Hein van den Berg).
- (2010-) *Phil@scale project* (Artificial Intelligence Group, Faculty of Exact Science, VU Amsterdam, with Arianna Betti & Stefan Slobach).
- (2010-) *Wissenschaftslehre Wiki* – A project in Digital Humanities (digital edition of Bolzano's *WL* – involving Centre for eResearch, King's college London, Czech Digital Mathematics Library (DML/CZ), Koninklijke Bibliotheek, IMPACT Project, VU University Library (UBVU), VU University IT Centre (UC-IT)).
- (2010-11) *Mapping Philosophy 1* (Algorithms Group, Mathematics and Computer Science, Technische Universiteit Eindhoven, with Arianna Betti & Bettina Speckmann. Coordinator: Hein van den Berg).

## **Membership in Scientific Associations**

The Network Institute (VUA), a collaboration between researchers in Computer Science, the Social Sciences, the Humanities, Economics, Law and Philosophy [[website](#)].

Centre for German Idealism, a research centre on classical German philosophy [[website](#)].

## **Organization of Conferences**

(Chair) *Digital Humanities and Philosophy*. International Conference, Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam, 28 June 2013 (With A. Betti, J. Smid).

*The Classical Model of Science II: The axiomatic method, the order of concepts and the hierarchy of sciences*. International Conference, Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam, 2-5 Augustus 2011. (With A. Betti (chair), W.R. de Jong, I. Loeb, S. Roski).

(Chair) *Openingsconferentie Faculteit der Wijsbegeerte*. Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam, September 2007.

*Kant's Theoretical Philosophy and its Reception*. Fourth International Graduate Conference, Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam, September 2006 (with K. Marx).

## **Services to the Profession.**

## **Refereeing Activities**

*Algemeen Nederlands Tijdschrift voor Wijsbegeerte*, *Walter de Gruyter Verlag*, *Studies in the History and Philosophy of Biological and Biomedical Sciences*.

## Teaching

- 2013/2014 *Nietzsche's Critique of Morality* (5 EC). Undergraduate course, Faculty of Philosophy, Rijksuniversiteit Groningen. Course taught in Dutch.
- 2013/2014 *History of Philosophy: Kant-Nietzsche* (7.5 EC). Undergraduate course history of modern philosophy, Faculty of Philosophy, Rijksuniversiteit Groningen. Course taught in Dutch.
- 2013/2014 *Historical Methods* (5 EC). Research Master (Graduate) course, Faculty of Philosophy, Rijksuniversiteit Groningen (with prof. dr. L. Nauta). Course taught in English.
- 2013/2014 *History of Philosophy: Kant-Sartre*. Honours Course, Faculty of Philosophy, Rijksuniversiteit Groningen (with Dr. Martin Lenz). Course taught in English.
- 2011/2012 *Philosophy of Biology: A History from Kant to Darwin* (5 EC). Graduate course, Faculty of Philosophy, Rijksuniversiteit Groningen. Course taught in English.
- 2011/2012 *Kant's Critique of Metaphysics* (5 EC). Undergraduate course, Faculty of Philosophy, Rijksuniversiteit Groningen. Course taught in Dutch.
- 2011/2012 *Geschiedenis van de Filosofie van de 18e eeuw* (4 EC). Undergraduate course history of modern philosophy, Faculty of Philosophy, Rijksuniversiteit Groningen. (with prof. dr. L. Nauta). Task: instructor workgroups. Course taught in Dutch
- 2011/2012 *Historical Methods* (5 EC). Research Master (Graduate) course Faculty of Philosophy, Rijksuniversiteit Groningen (with prof. dr. L. Nauta). Course taught in English.
- 2011/2012 *Filosofie: Kennis, Interpretatie en Context* (6 EC). Undergraduate history of philosophy and aesthetics course, Faculty of Arts, Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam. Course taught in Dutch.
- 2010/2011 *Filosofie van Management en Organisatiestudies* (3 EC). Undergraduate philosophy of science course, Faculty of Exact Science, Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam. Course taught in Dutch.
- 2009/2010 *Wetenschappelijk Schrijven* (3 EC). Undergraduate academic skills course, Faculty of Philosophy, Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam. Course taught in Dutch.
- 2009/2010 *Wetenschapsfilosofie* (4 EC). Undergraduate philosophy of science course, Faculty of Economics and Business Administration, Vrije Universiteit

Amsterdam (with Dr. Ch. Krijnen). Tasks: instructor workgroups and grading. Course taught *four* times per academic year, in Dutch.

- 2009/2010 *Philosophy of Management and Organization Studies* (3 EC). Undergraduate philosophy of science course, Faculty of Economics and Business Administration, Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam (with Dr. Ch. Krijnen). Tasks: instructor workgroups, grading. Course taught *two* times per academic year, in Dutch and English.
- 2009/2010 *Practicum Logica* (part of course *Inleiding in de Logica*, 6 EC). Undergraduate logic course, Faculty of Philosophy, Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam (with Dr. L. deCock). Tasks: instructor workgroups, grading. Course taught in Dutch.
- 2008/2009 *Wetenschappelijk Schrijven* (3 EC). Undergraduate academic skills course, Faculty of Philosophy, Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam. Course taught in Dutch.
- 2008/2009 *Wetenschapsfilosofie* (4 EC). Undergraduate philosophy of science course, Faculty of Economics and Business Administration, Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam (with Dr. Ch. Krijnen). Tasks: instructor workgroups and grading. Course taught *four* times per academic year, in Dutch.
- 2008/2009 *Filosofie van Management en Organisatiestudies* (3 EC). Undergraduate philosophy of science course, Faculty of Economics and Business Administration, Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam (with Dr. Ch. Krijnen). Tasks: instructor workgroups, grading. Course taught in Dutch.
- 2008/2009 *Practicum Logica* (part of *Inleiding in de Logica*, 6 EC). Undergraduate logic course, Faculty of Philosophy, Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam (with Dr. L. deCock). Tasks: instructor workgroups, grading. Course taught in Dutch.
- 2006/2007 *Inleiding in de geschiedenis van de moderne wijsbegeerte* (6 EC). Undergraduate course history of modern philosophy, Faculty of Philosophy, Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam. Tasks: developing course, giving plenary lectures and workgroups, grading (with Dr. E-O Onnasch and Dr. K.Marx). Course taught in Dutch.
- 2006/2007 *Wetenschappelijk Schrijven* (3 EC). Undergraduate academic skills course, Faculty of Philosophy, Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam. Course taught in Dutch.
- 2006/2007 *Wetenschapsfilosofie* (4 EC). Undergraduate philosophy of science course, Faculty of Economics and Business Administration, Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam (with Dr. Ch. Krijnen). Tasks: one plenary lecture, instructor workgroups and grading. Course taught in Dutch.

- 2005/2006 Guest teaching, Kant and Enlightenment, in *Wijsgerige Vorming*. Undergraduate course, Faculty of Arts, Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam. Tasks: one plenary lecture.
- 2005/2006 *Wetenschappelijk Schrijven* (3 EC). Undergraduate academic skills course, Faculty of Philosophy, Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam. Course taught in Dutch.
- 2003/2004 *Denken over Kunst I: Filosofie van de Kunsten* (4 EC). Undergraduate aesthetics course, Faculty of Arts, University of Groningen. Tasks: student-assistant, instructor workgroups.
- 2003/2004 *Geschiedenis van de Filosofie van de Oudheid* (4 EC). Undergraduate course ancient philosophy, Faculty of Philosophy, University of Groningen. Tasks: student-assistant, instructor workgroups.
- 2002/2003 *Geschiedenis van de filosofie van de oudheid* (4 EC). Undergraduate course ancient philosophy, Faculty of Philosophy, University of Groningen. Tasks: student-assistant, instructor workgroups.

### **Thesis Supervision**

Faculteit der Wijsbegeerte, Rijksuniversiteit Groningen

Henny Buitendijk Bachelor thesis on Kant's theory of ideas (finished)

Anita Spanjer Master thesis on Kant (in progress, with prof. D.H.K Pätzold)

### **Board Activities**

- (2013) Selection Committee for a computer scientist/scientific programmer, Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam.
- (2013) Selection Committee for a computer scientist/computational linguist, Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam.
- (2003) Selection Committee for an Assistant Professor, University of Groningen.

### **Languages**

Dutch (mother tongue), English (fluent reading, writing and speaking), German (fluent reading, fair writing and speaking), Latin: beginner.

### **Skills**

Next to standard wordprocessing software, I have basic knowledge of HTML, and tools such as Zotero and Mendeley.

## Talks

### Invited conference papers

- [1] 'Computer Tools for the History of Philosophy'. *Idealism, Realism, Empiricism – Philosophical debates around 1800*. Utrecht University, Utrecht, November 29-30, 2013 (with Arianna Betti and Pauline van Wierst).
- [2] 'Mapping the History of Logic'. *Maps and Visualization Techniques in the e-Humanities*. Kickoff Event GlamMap, VU University, Amsterdam, May 3, 2013.
- [3] 'Part-Whole Reasoning and Analysis in Wolff'. *Wolff Tagung am Philosophischen Seminar der Universität Heidelberg*, Heidelberg, April 14, 2011. (Organized by Peter McLaughlin)
- [4] 'Kant on Vital forces: Metaphysical Concerns versus Scientific Practice'. *Internationale Tagung durch den Arbeitskreis für Hegels Naturphilosophie*. VU University, Amsterdam, September 27-29, 2007.

### Invited lectures in faculty seminars

- [5] 'Kant's Reconstruction of Wolffian Teleology: Demarcating Biology and Theology'. *Naturphilosophisches Kolloquium*, TU Dortmund, 4 July, 2012.
- [6] 'Mapping Philosophy'. Meertensinstituut, e-Humanities Group Research Meeting (New Trends in e-Humanities). Amsterdam, April 12, 2012. With Arianna Betti (head speaker), Bettina Speckman & Kevin Verbeek.
- [7] 'Regulative Teleology and Biology'. University of Groningen, Faculty of Philosophy, April 2, 2008.
- [8] 'Digital Humanities and the (History) of Philosophy'. *ICT Seminar*, Faculties of Philosophy and Theology VU University, Amsterdam, January 30<sup>th</sup>, 2013. (With Pauline van Wierst)

### Contributed conference papers

- [9] 'Creating a Digital History of Ideas'. *DHLU Symposium 2013: Reading Historical Sources in the Digital Age*, University of Luxembourg, Luxembourg, December 5-6, 2013. (With Arianna Betti).

- [10] 'Teleology and Biology in Eighteenth-Century Rationalist Thought'. *24th International Congress of History of Science, Technology and Medicine*. Manchester, England, July 21-28, 2013.
- [11] 'Modeling the History of Ideas' (with Arianna Betti). *The Future of the Theory and Philosophy of History*, Ghent, Belgium, July 10-13, 2013.
- [12] 'Parts, Wholes and Mechanism in Wolff and Kant'. *The Classical Model of Science II*. VU University, Amsterdam, August 2-5, 2011.
- [13] 'Kant on Biology and Explanation'. *Young Researchers Conference of the Centre for German Idealism: Challenges from Kant to Hegel*. VU University, Amsterdam, August 27<sup>th</sup>, 2010.
- [14] 'Kant's Stance on Vital Forces'. *The Johns Hopkins University International Graduate Philosophy Conference*. Johns Hopkins University, Washington/Baltimore, March 27-28, 2008.
- [15] 'The Development of Kant's Transcendental Idealism in the *Opus postumum*'. *Internationaler Workshop Klassische deutsche Philosophie*, Jena, June 30 – July 2, 2006.
- [16] 'Kant's Theory of Scientific Inquiry in the *Opus postumum*'. *The 3d UK Kant Society international Graduate Conference*, Hertfordshire UK, July 6-7, 2006.

### **Other talks in seminars and conferences**

- [17] 'Animal Behaviour and Souls in Eighteenth-Century Rationalist Thought'. *Naturphilosophisches Kolloquium*, TU Dortmund, July 18<sup>th</sup>, 2013.
- [18] 'Introduction: Digital Humanities and Philosophy'. Workshop *Digital Humanities and Philosophy*. VU University, Amsterdam, June 28<sup>th</sup>, 2013.
- [19] 'Modelling the History of Ideas'. *Naturphilosophisches Kolloquium*, TU Dortmund, November 14<sup>th</sup>, 2012.

### **Invited paper on joint work delivered by others**

- [20] 'Computational Tools for the History of Philosophy (or: What is this Digital Humanities Thing and What's in it for Us?)', EGSAMP Summer School, VU University Amsterdam, August 21-23 (A. Betti, invited).

### **Dissemination/Valorization**

- [21] 'Kant on Proper Science: Biology in the Critical Philosophy and the *Opus postumum*'. *Integratielezing*, STUFF conference, Faculty of Philosophy, University of Groningen, November 8<sup>th</sup>, 2011.
- [22] Participant for the *DJA on Wheels*, organized by the DJA of the Royal Dutch Academy of Sciences (KNAW). Popular science workgroup for high-school children. Almere, June 7<sup>th</sup>, 2011.
- [23] 'Proofs for the Existence of God'. Popular philosophy lecture for a general audience, VU University, Amsterdam, May 17<sup>th</sup>, 2007.

## Books

- [1] Van den Berg, H. (2014). *Kant on Proper Science: Biology in the Critical Philosophy and the Opus postumum*. Dordrecht & Heidelberg: Springer. ISBN 978-94-007-7139-0, 283 pages. Link: <http://www.springer.com/philosophy/philosophical+traditions/book/978-94-007-7139-0>

## Articles in peer-reviewed journals (Int1)

- [1] Van den Berg, H. & Betti, A. 'Modeling the History of Ideas'. *British Journal for the History of Philosophy* (conditionally accepted).
- [2] Van den Berg, H. (2013). 'The Wolffian Roots of Kant's Teleology'. *Studies in History and Philosophy of Biological and Biomedical Sciences* 44 (4): 724-734. DOI: <http://dx.doi.org/10.1016/j.shpsc.2013.07.003>
- [3] Van den Berg, H. (2013). 'Wolff and Kant on Scientific Demonstration and Mechanical Explanation'. *Archiv für Geschichte der Philosophie* 95 (2): 178-205. DOI: [10.1515/agph-2013-0008](https://doi.org/10.1515/agph-2013-0008).
- [4] Van den Berg, H. (2011). 'Kant's conception of proper science'. *Synthese* 183 (1): 7-26. DOI: <http://www.springerlink.com/openurl.asp?genre=article&id=doi:10.1007/s11229-009-9665-y>

## Articles in Books

- [5] Van den Berg, H. (2009). 'Kant on Vital Forces: Metaphysical Concerns versus Scientific Practice'. In Onnasch, Ernst-Otto (ed.), *Kants Philosophie der Natur. Ihre Entwicklung im Opus postumum und ihre Wirkung*. Berlin: Walter de Gruyter, 115-135.

## Articles in peer-reviewed proceedings

- [6] Betti, A. & Gerrits, D. & Speckmann, B. & van den Berg, H. 'GlamMap: Visualizing library metadata'. 17th VALA Biennial Conference and Exhibition, 3-6 February 2014, Melbourne, Australia (Conditionally accepted).

## **Reviews and conference reports**

- [1] Van den Berg, H. (in press). 'Kant's Organicism'. *International Studies in the Philosophy of Science*.
- [2] Van den Berg, H. (2011). 'The Classical Model of Science II'. *The Reasoner* 5 (9): 153.

## **Dissemination**

- [1] Betti, A. & Van den Berg, H. & Smid, J. (2013). 'Computers in de Filosofie'. *De Groene Amsterdammer: de tien revoluties in de geesteswetenschappen*. <http://blogs.groene.nl/geesteswetenschappers/?p=890>.

## **Scientific Reports**

- [1] Duval, E., Parra, G., van den Berg, H., Jentzsch, A., Dietrich, D., Manouselis, N. & Stoitsis, G. (2013). Personas, scenarios and use cases, *Deliverables for eCloud, European Commission's CIP-Best Practice Network* [ongoing deliverable].