
CURRICULUM VITAE

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PROFILE

Key research interests: urban inequality; governance; urban flooding and disaster; digital urbanism; smart city; Caribbean cities; entrepreneurship; Global South; comparative Geography.

Since the completion of my PhD in international development studies (2007), I have worked as a researcher at the crossroads of human geography and international development studies. I have a key interest in spatial dimensions of development issues, in particular those related to urbanization and cities. Leading in my work is a focus on exclusion and inequality. These themes come back in more specific topics that I work on such as urban floods and adaptive governance, livelihoods and entrepreneurship, digital urbanism and Smart Cities. Much of my work is comparative in nature and includes mixed methodologies.

FORMAL EDUCATION

- 2016-2017 SKO (Senior Kwalificatie Onderwijs), GSSS/CSW , University of Amsterdam
2002-2007 PhD, Amsterdam Institute for Metropolitan and International Development Studies (AMIDSt), University of Amsterdam, The Netherlands.
Doctoral thesis: Home-Based Economic Activities: vulnerability, ambition and impact
1993-1998 in Paramaribo and Port of Spain (published with Vossius Press, Amsterdam)
MSc in Human Geography (*cum laude*), University of Amsterdam, The Netherlands

EMPLOYMENT AND ACADEMIC POSITIONS

- 2020- Associate Professor, Department of Human Geography, Planning and International Development Studies, University of Amsterdam
2017- Director, Bachelor Sociale Geografie en Planologie, Master Human Geography and Master Urban and Regional Planning, Colle and Graduate School of Social Sciences, University of Amsterdam
2013-2019 Guest researcher (0.2fte), Department of Integrated Water Management and Governance, UNESCO-IHE Delft
2013-2017 Director, Research Master Urban Studies, Graduate School of Social Sciences, University of Amsterdam
2010-2020 Assistant Professor (tenure), Department of Human Geography, Planning and International Development Studies, University of Amsterdam
2009-2010 Lecturer, Department of Methodology and Statistics, Utrecht
2009-2010 Postdoctoral Researcher, Royal Netherlands Institute of Southeast Asian and

Caribbean Studies (KITLV), Leiden; NWO-funded project on Suriname's 20th-century social history

GRANTS AND AWARDS

2017	Centre for Urban Studies seed grant Seminar Critical Comparative urbanism	€2,500
2016	NWO- programme 'Caribisch onderzoek': The struggle for water in Curaçao: knowledge, power and justice', ALWCA.2016.032, Assessment: A	-
2013	NWO- programma 'Caribisch onderzoek: een multidisciplinaire benadering': "The Life Aquatic: Hydro-Social Relations in Bonaire and St. Eustatius", ALWCA.13.042.Assessment: A	-
2012	ECR U-21 workshop on ecological urban planning/citizenship, 3-6 December, Shanghai, China. Workshop funded by Shanghai Jiaotong University (amount unknown) and Universitas-21	€13,500
2011	Evaluation: Twinning Project Suriname. IOB/Ministry of Foreign Affairs	€22,400
2010	Review: existing urban profiling mechanisms. For ACP-EU-FED/2009/217062	€15,000
2002-2007	Habitat as a productive asset. NWO-funded PhD Research WOTROW51-101	€157,10
	<i>Partner/Co-applicant</i>	
2018-2021	NWO (call Tackling Global Challenges through Use-Inspired Research), project "Leave fossil fuels underground for sustainable and inclusive development: Co-creating alternative pathways in Africa and Latin America - SDG 13, 15, 16". Partnership with Cedla.	€499,656
2009-2013	ACP Science and Technology project, 'Strengthen research and development and uptake capacity in urban, land and municipal management in the Caribbean-Network for the application of STI to the urban sector (NSUS)'. Partners: CARICOM, Univ. of Guyana, Anton de Kom Univ. of Suriname, Univ. of the West Indies. ACP-EU: FED/2009/217062	€1,084,96 3.45 UvA €100,000
2008-2010	ACP- Edulink project, 'Capacity building in urban planning and management in the Southern Caribbean'. Partners: Anton de Kom Univ. of Suriname, Univ. of Guyana and Univ. of the West Indies. ACP-EU: 9 ACP RPR -12/10ACP	€613,156 UvA €85,000

FIELDWORK AND FIELD TRIPS

1997-	22 months fieldwork in Suriname; 14 months fieldwork in Trinidad and Tobago; 2 months fieldwork in Kenya; 2 week fieldtrip Uganda; 10 days fieldtrip South Africa; 3 months field research in Chennai (India), 10 field research in Chili.
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PUBLICATIONS

ACADEMIC ARTICLES AND CHAPTERS (PEER REVIEWED)

- Verrest, H., Groennebaek, L., Ghiselli, A., & Berganton, M. (2020). Keeping the business going: SMEs and urban floods in Asian megacities. *International Development Planning Review*, 42(2), 241-261.
- Anggraeni, M., Gupta, J., & Verrest, H. J. L. M. (2019). Cost and Value of Stakeholders Participation: A Systematic Literature Review. *Environmental Science & Policy*, 101(November), 364-373.
- Hurlbert, M. A., Gupta, J., & Verrest, H. (2019). A Comparison of drought instruments and livelihood capitals: Combining Livelihood and Institutional Analyses to Study Drought Policy Instruments. *Climate and Development*, 1-10.
- Verrest, H., & Pfeffer, K. (2019). Elaborating the urbanism in smart urbanism: distilling relevant dimensions for a comprehensive analysis of Smart City approaches. *Information, Communication & Society*, 22(9), 1328-1342
- Roosendaal, G. van, & Verrest, H. (2016). External CSR as strategic action in the shadow of commercial interests. A study into oil and gas companies in Trinidad and Tobago. *Economic and Environmental Studies*, (3), 469-490.
- Verrest, H. (2016). The mixed role of local communities in home-based economic activities in Caribbean cities. In C. Mason, D. Reuschke, S. Syrett & M. van Ham (Eds.), *Entrepreneurship in cities: neighbourhoods, households and homes* (Entrepreneurship, space and place) (pp. 249-270). Cheltenham: Edward Elgar.
- K. Pfeffer and H. Verrest (2016) Perspectives on the Role of Geo-technologies for Addressing Contemporary Urban Issues: Implications for IDS, *European Journal of Development Research*, 25 (2) 154-166.
- Pfeffer, K., H. Verrest & A. Poorthuis (2015). Big Data for better urban life? - An exploratory study of critical urban issues in two Caribbean cities: Paramaribo (Suriname) and Port of Spain (Trinidad and Tobago). *European Journal of Development Research*, 27 (4), 505-522.
- James, P. & H. Verrest (2015). Beyond the network effect: towards an alternative understanding of global urban organizations. In J. Gupta, K. Pfeffer, H. Verrest & M. Ros-Tonen (Eds.), *Geographies of urban governance: advanced theories, methods and practices* (pp. 65-84). Cham: Springer.
- Gupta, J., K. Pfeffer, M. Ros-Tonen & H. Verrest (2015). An inclusive development perspective on the geographies of urban governance. In: J. Gupta, K. Pfeffer, H. Verrest & M. Ros-Tonen (Eds.), *Geographies of urban governance: advanced theories, methods and practices* (pp. 217-228). Cham: Springer.
- Gupta, J., H. Verrest & R. Jaffe (2015). Theorizing governance. In J. Gupta, K. Pfeffer, H. Verrest & M. Ros-Tonen (Eds.), *Geographies of urban governance: advanced theories, methods and practices* (pp. 27-43). Cham: Springer.

Gupta, J., K. Pfeffer, M. Ros-Tonen & H. Verrest (2015). Setting the scene: the geographies of urban governance. In J. Gupta, J. Pfeffer, K. Verrest & M. Ros-Tonen (Eds.), *Geographies of urban governance: advanced theories, methods and practices* (pp. 3-25). Cham: Springer.

Verrest, H. & R. Hoefte (2014). The development of Paramaribo in the second half of the century. In R. Hoefte (Ed.), *Suriname in the long twentieth century: domination, contestation, globalization* (pp. 159-186). New York: Palgrave Macmillan.

Mark E.J. van der & H. Verrest (2014). Fighting the odds: strategies of female caregivers of disabled children in Zimbabwe. *Disability & Society*, 29 (9), 1412-1427. doi: 10.1080/09687599.2014.934441

Middelbeek, L., K. Kolle & H. Verrest (2014). Built to last? Local climate change adaptation and governance in the Caribbean-The case of an informal urban settlement in Trinidad and Tobago. *Urban Climate*, 8, 138-154. doi: 10.1016/j.uclim.2013.12.003

Verrest, H.(2013) Rethinking micro-entrepreneurship and business development programs: Vulnerability and ambition in low-income urban Caribbean households. *World Development* 47, 58-70

Verrest, H. S. Moorcroft and A. Mohammed (2013) . Global urban development programs and local realities in the Caricom-Caribbean: mismatches in needs and approach. *Habitat International* (40), pp. 258-267.

Verrest, Hebe & R. Jaffe (2012): Bipolar antagonism and multipolar coexistence: framing difference and shaping fear in two Caribbean cities, *Social & Cultural Geography*, 13:6, 625-644

Verrest, H J L M (2010). City Profile: Paramaribo, *Cities* 27 (1), pp50-60.

Verrest, H. (2009) Assets and Vulnerabilities in Paramaribo and Port of Spain. McGregor, Duncan, David Dodman and David Barker (eds) *Global Change and Caribbean Vulnerability*, University of the West Indies Press, Kingston, Jamaica (2009).

Verrest, H (2008) Working from Home, Urban Livelihoods in Low-Income Surinamese and Trinidadian Households. In: Jaffe, R. (ed), *The Caribbean City*. Kingston, Ian Randle

Verrest, H (2007) Home-Based Economic Activities and Caribbean Urban Livelihoods: Vulnerability, Ambition and Impact in Paramaribo and Port of Spain. Amsterdam: Amsterdam University Press.

Verrest, H (2007) Ik groet maar bemoei niet. Bestaansvererving, Huisgebonden Economische Activiteiten en Sociale Relaties in Nieuweveerweg, Paramaribo. In: *Oso* 26 (1): 100-122 .

Verrest, H and J. Post (2007) Home-Based Economic Activities, Livelihoods and Space in Paramaribo, Suriname. In: *International Development Planning Review* 29 (2): 161-184.

Verrest, H and R. Reddock (2004, issued in 2006) Poverty and Statistics in Trinidad and Tobago: An Introduction. In: *Caribbean Dialogue* 9 (4):1-7.

Bruijne, A. de, A. Runs & H.Verrest (2001) De NGO-Wereld als Bron van Nieuwe Transatlantische contacten. In: *Oso* 20 (1): pp36-47.

PROFESSIONAL REPORTS AND ARTICLES

U. Mans, S.A. Meerow & H.J.L.M. Verrest (2012). Best Practices in Urban Planning and Management Technologies. Published on bluespacecaribbean.com

IOB (2012). Evaluatie van de Twinningfaciliteit Suriname-Nederland. Den Haag: Ministerie van Buitenlandse Zaken.

Verrest, H., A. Mohammed and S. Moorecroft (2011). Towards a Caribbean Urban Agenda. Published on <http://bluespacecaribbean.com/posts/uncategorized/caribbean-urban-agenda/>

Verrest, Hebe (2010). Paramaribo: Caribische stad zonder scheidslijnen. *Rooilijn* 43 (3) pp162-169

Verrest, H. (2002) (ed.) Training van de Basis als Ontwikkelingsinstrument? Effecten van Cordaid Gefinancierde Vrouwenprogramma's in Suriname. Paramaribo: Paramaribo.

Runs, A & H. Verrest (2000) Relaties tussen Surinaamse en Nederlandse NGO's: Een Perspectief op de Samenwerking. Paramaribo: NIKOS.

Bruijne, A. de, T. Dietz & H.Verrest (1999) Is SGO milleniumproof? In: *Geografie*, jaar 1999 (4-5). KNAG, Utrecht.

BOOK REVIEWS

Verrest, H. (2018). [Review Post-Colonial Trajectories in the Caribbean: The Three Guianas, by Rosemarijn Hoefte, Matthew L. Bishop & Peter Clegg (eds.)]. *New West Indian Guide/Nieuwe West-Indische Gids*, 92(1-2), 187-188.

Verrest, H. (2015). [Review of the book Critical interventions in Caribbean politics and theory]. *Revista Europea de Estudios Latinoamericanos y del Caribe*, 99, 176-178.

Verrest, H. (2011) Stadsstudies ontmoeten ontwikkelingsstudies [Bespreking van: Beall, J and S. Fox *Cities and Development*. Routledge, Abingdon]. In: *Rooilijn* 44 (5), 382-384.

POPULAR ARTICLES AND BLOGS

Verrest, H.J.L.M. (2015). Mega Cities Projects: the case of Port of Spain. (blog). Amsterdam: Centre for Urban Studies. (available: 28 sep 2015).

H. Verrest (2013); Microfinance is blind to aspects of inclusion. The Broker Online: <http://www.thebrokeronline.eu/Blogs/Spurring-economic-transition/Microfinance-is-blind-to-aspects-of-inclusion>

M.N. Deinema & H.J.L.M. Verrest (2010, July 05). Aanzet afschaffing slavernij ging van de slachtoffers uit. *Volkskrant*

Verrest, H. (2005) Gonzales-Gonzalig? In: *Nieuwskrant C.M.Kan Instituut*, nummer 8, 2005. Op: <http://www.fmg.uva.nl/gpio>.

Verrest, H. (2005) 4 columns: Een bijzonder gesprek; Trinidad Blues; Kansen in onderwijs, Suriname en Trinidad in perspectief; (Surinaams) Chinese Restaurants. Op: www.apura.org onder "community", "Columns".

Verrest, H (2003) Het is Geen Zaak, meer een Bezigheid. In: *Paramaribo Post*, jaargang 1, nr 14, 22 mei 2003.

REVIEWER

ERLACS, Ensayos Revista de Economía, Third World Quarterly, Urban Climate, International Development Planning Review, Habitat International, Geoforum, Natural Resources Forum, Small Business Economic, Globalizations, Regional Studies, Cities, TESG, Antipode.

SUPERVISION PHD STUDENTS (CO-PROMOTOR)

Ongoing	Arjen Alberts (tourism) (St Martin and Aruba. Defence expected 2020);
	Mustika Anggraeni (participation in environmental governance, Indonesia. Defence expected 2020/21);
	Ricardo Fuentealbes Fuentes (urban disasters, Chili, Defence expected 2021);
	Arthur Rempel (Leaving Fossil Fuels underground, South Africa, Defence expected 2022);
Successfully completed as co-promotor	Margot Hurlbert (2017) (droughts, Canada, Argentina and Chili);
Successfully completed as member of the supervision committee	Sigrid Heirman (2019) University of Antwerp (urban planning, Suriname);

SUPERVISION OF GRADUATE AND POSTDOCTORAL STUDENTS

2010-	Supervision 35 master's students (one ongoing), 34 at Univ. of Amsterdam (32 Dept. of Geography, Planning and Int. Development Studies, 2 Dept. of Sociology), 1 at Technical University Eindhoven;
2002-2007	Supervision 8 master's students (completed), Department of Geography, Planning and International Development Studies, University of Amsterdam

TEACHING ACTIVITIES (SELECTED)

2010-	Lecturer (0.6fte, period 2017-2019 0,8fte), Dept. of Geography, Planning and International Development Studies, University of Amsterdam. Lecturing in (research) master's programs in International Development Studies and Human Geography. Teaching and design of Research Methods for Doing Fieldwork in IDS; Research Design Mixed Methods; Core Issues and Theories in International Development Studies; Development Geography, Urban Inequalities
2009-2010	Lecturer (1.0 fte), Dept. of Methodology and Statistics, Utrecht University.

Lecturing in Research methods and statistics to BA students in the social sciences.
2002- Guest lecturer: University of Amsterdam, University of Leiden, University of the West Indies, KITLV, University of Suriname

CONFERENCE AND WORKSHOP ORGANIZATION (SELECTED)

2018	Co-organizer panel 'Healthy People, Healthy Planet' FMG Conference 'Health, Behaviour & Society', May 18 th 2019
2017	Organizer seminar Series (5) on critical comparative urbanism, Centre for Urban Studies, University of Amsterdam
2015	Organiser, debate 'Suriname Nederland- 40 jaar na onafhankelijkheid', 25 October, A'dam
2013	Co-convenor, Caribbean Urban Forum, 13-15 March 13-15, Trinidad and Tobago
2012	Organiser, CEDLA-NALACS conference, 'Research Wealth and regional transformations in Latin America and the Caribbean, 13-14 December, Amsterdam
2011	Organiser, IBS colloquium, 'I Love Su!?' 11 November, Amsterdam; Organiser, conference: EU-ACP NSUS, network for the application of science, technology and innovation to the urban sector, technical meeting, 24-26 October, Amsterdam
2008	Co-convenor, Caribbean Urban Forum 2011, April, Georgetown, Guyana
2005	Co-organiser, of international workshop 'Cultural dynamics in 20th-century Suriname in Caribbean context,' KITLV, 26-27 September, Leiden Convener, workshop 'Poverty and statistics in Trinidad and Tobago', University of the West Indies, 11 March, St. Augustine

INVITED LECTURES (SELECTED)

2014	Social protest, visibility and claiming space for development in Trinidad and Tobago. Invited paper for the CEDLA seminar, 'The Visible City', Amsterdam, 9 October; Micro-entrepreneurship of urban Caribbean households and business development programmes. Invited speaker for the ESCR seminar, Entrepreneurship in Homes and Neighbourhoods, Glasgow, UK, 23-24 January
2012	Best practices in urban planning and management technologies. Invited paper presented at Caribbean Urban Forum, Kingston, Jamaica, 14-17 March
2011	Towards a Caribbean urban agenda. Invited paper presented at NSUS annual policy meeting, Georgetown, Guyana, 6-9 April; Establishing a policy and research agenda for the urban sector in the Caribbean, Georgetown, Guyana
2009	It Ent Come to We: Stedelijke Armoede en bestaansverwerving in Trinidad and Tobago. Invited Lecture, KITLV course Caraïbistiek, 25 March

- 2008 'Something I do to keep me going': Home-based economic activities (HBEAs), livelihoods and entrepreneurship in Paramaribo and Port of Spain'. Lecture at Center for Gender and Development Studies, University of the West Indies, Trinidad and Tobago, 13 February;
'Something I do to keep me going': huisgebonden economische activiteiten, kwetsbaarheid en ondernemerschap in Paramaribo en Port of Spain. Invited Lecture, IGSR, University of Paramaribo, 11 March
- 2006 'Ik groet maar bemoei niet': Bestaansverwerving, huisgebonden economische activiteiten en sociale relaties in Nieuwweergevondenweg, Paramaribo. Lecture at IBS colloquium, KIT, Amsterdam, 28 October

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS (SELECTED)

- 2018 Verrest, H.J.L.M. and K. Pfeffer (2018). Beyond the Boundaries: Addressing Social and Spatial Inequality with Digitally Based Mobility? The Case of Cape Town, South Africa. Presented during the conference: Digitalisation in Africa: Interdisciplinary Perspectives on Technology, Development and Justice. The IZEW and the University of Tübingen, Tübingen (Germany), 26 and 27 September 2018.
- 2017 Verrest, H.J.L.M. (2017) Entrepreneurial Risk Navigation: Urban Risk, Climate Change and the Private Sector. Presented during the Nordic Geographers Meeting, Stockholm (Sweden), 18-21 June 2017.
Verrest, H.J.L.M. and K. Pfeffer (2017). Understanding Smart City Policies Through a Critical analytical framework: the cases of Cape Town and Amsterdam. Presented during the Nordic Geographers Meeting, Stockholm (Sweden), 18-21 June 2017.
- 2016 Verrest, H and K. Pfeffer (2016) Smart Ordinary Urbanism: an integrated approach for dealing with urban issues. Presented during the Association of American Geographers Annual Conference. San Francisco (USA), April 2016 .
- 2015 G.C. van Roozendaal en H Verrest (2015). The context of external CSR. A study into oil and gas companies in Trinidad and Tobago. Presented during 'The Political Economy of the Extractive Imperative in Latin America: Reducing poverty and inequality vs. ensuring inclusion and sustainability?', 10 April 2015, International Institute of Social Studies (ISS), The Hague, The Netherlands.
K. Pfeffer, K. H. Verrest and A. Poorthuis (2015). Big Data for better urban life? Paper presented during the 2015 Association of American Geographers Annual Conference Annual Meeting, Chicago, Illinois, April 21st 2015.
- 2013 H. Verrest Caribbean urban planning, governance and spatial justice: Who has access to Port of Spain's sea? 38th Annual CSA Conference, Grenada Grand Beach Resort, Grand Anse, Grenada, 3-7 June 2013.
H. Verrest and G. Hosein. Participation in urban planning through invited and claimed spaces: the case of Port of Spain, Trinidad and Tobago. RC-21 Berline, 29th -31st August 2013.

- 2012 Verrest, H.; Urban governance, planning and spatial justice in Port-of-Spain: who has access to the sea? Paper presented at the CEDLAONALACs conference 'Research Wealth and regional Transformations in Latin America and the Caribbean. December 13-14 2012, Amsterdam.
- 2011 Verrest, H. Something to Keep Me Going - The Role of Vulnerability and Ambition in Understanding Micro-Entrepreneurship and the Irrelevance of Business Development Programs for Low-Income Groups in Caribbean Cities. Conference paper presented at EADI/DSA General Conference Rethinking Development in the age of scarcity and Insecurity: new values, voices and new alliances for increased development. York: 19-22 September 2011.
Verrest, H. Towards a Caribbean Urban Agenda. Paper presented at NSUS Annual Policy Meeting, Georgetown Guyana Establishing a Policy and Research Agenda for the Urban Sector in the Caribbean. Georgetown, Guyana April 6-9 2011.
- 2009 Verrest, H. 'Coping Mechanisms under Military Rule: Livelihoods in Suriname 1980-1987. Paper presented at the Caribbean Studies Association Annual Conference, June 1st-5th, Kingston, Jamaica.
'Twentieth Century Paramaribo: A Spatial Lay-out of Social Change. Paper presented at the conference 'Critical Issues in Caribbean Urban Planning', January 8-10th, Port of Spain, Trinidad and Tobago.
- 2008 Verrest, H. 'Paramaribo: People, Space and Change in the 20th Century'. Paper presented at the Caribbean Studies Association Annual Conference, May 26th-30th, San Andres, Colombia.
- 2005 'Home Based Economic Activities as situated Practices; experiences in Paramaribo, Suriname'. Paper presented at the Conference of the Society For Caribbean Studies, 29th June-July 1st, University of New Castle Upon Tyne, UK.
'Poverty, home-based economic activities and credit in Trinidad and Tobago and Suriname: a matter of access and trust'. Lunch lecture at the Centre for gender and Development Studies, May 11th, University of the West Indies, Trinidad and Tobago.
- 2004 'Working from home, a house as place of production. Urban livelihoods in low-income Surinamese and Trinidadian households'. Paper presented at the 4th Joint Dutch-German-Austrian Geographers Symposium 'Territory, Local- Governance and development in Latin-America'. July 2nd 2004, Utrecht.
- 2003 'Poverty an Livelihoods in Trinidad ad Tobago'. Lunch lecture at the Centre for Gender and Development Studies, February 13th, University of The West Indies, Trinidad and Tobago.

ONGOING COLLABORATIONS

Bluespace Caribbean: University of the West Indies, ADEK University of Suriname, University of Pretoria, South Africa; ongoing collaboration with scholars from Centre for Urban Studies, Amsterdam

ACADEMIC COMMITTEES:

- 2019- Advisory Board CEDLA,
2019- Advisory board Centre for Urban Studies, University of Amsterdam
2015- Member PhD educational committee (advising on PhD teaching within AISSR)
2017 NWO panel Caribbean call

2014- Global Advisor Compact Cities Program
2012-2013 Acting Chair Program Committee Research Master programmms GSSS and
MA International Development Studies
2011-2012 Chair Program Committee International Development Studies (MA and
ResMa)

LANGUAGES:

Dutch (native); English (fluent); French, Sranang Tongo and German (conversational),
Spanish (basic).