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Current position

Assistant Professor, Forest and Nature Conservation Policy Group, Wageningen University

Principal Investigator and Research Fellow, Nippon Foundation Ocean Nexus, EarthLab, Univ. of Washington

Education

PhD *Cum laude* **Sociology of Development and Change** 2017
Wageningen University Wageningen

PhD thesis: **Amphibious Anthropology: Engaging with Maritime Worlds in Indonesia**
Long-term mobile ethnography among seafaring communities and conservationists in a maritime region shows fundamentally different ways in which people relate to the sea, stalling conservation initiatives. This thesis develops the notion of amphibiousness to explore the movement in-between worlds, as spatial mobility and as motion between different ways of enacting and understanding human-nature relations, and shows how such amphibiousness capacity is essential to develop more equitable collaboration for environmental care.

Supervision: Prof. Leontine Visser (promotor) and Dr. Gerard Verschoor, Wageningen University

Examiners: Prof. Noelle Aarts, Dr. Clemens Driessen, Dr. Cristóbal Bonelli, Dr. Michael Fabinyi
Prof. Stefan Helmreich, Prof Nils Bubandt

MSc *Cum laude* **International Development Studies** 2010
Wageningen University Wageningen
Specialization: Rural development and community-based conservation

MA **Cultural Anthropology** 2008
Leiden University Leiden

BA **Cultural Anthropology** 2006
Utrecht University Utrecht

Previous professional appointments

2019 **Postdoc Researcher** EU Horizon 2020 EURASTiP project
Inclusive standards and certification in aquaculture in Bangladesh, Vietnam and Thailand
Environmental Policy Group, Wageningen University

2018 **Project Manager Sustainable Food**, North Sea Foundation, Utrecht

2016-2018 **Lecturer** (teaching) Cultural Anthropology and Development Sociology, Leiden University

2011-2016 **PhD Candidate** Sociology of Development and Change Group, Wageningen University

2012 **Visiting Researcher** at the Asia Research Centre of Murdoch University, Perth, Australia

2011 **Study Advisor** International Development Studies (Master), Wageningen University

2010 **Education Assistant** Rural Development Sociology, Wageningen University

Grants and awards

2020	Ocean Nexus Gender & Diversity in Marine Nature Restoration research grant
2019	UN FAO grant 'Illuminating Hidden Harvests' project
2018	Asian Modernities and Traditions Grant Leiden University
2013	MARE Publication Award, best graduate student paper for " Community as network: exploring a relational approach to social resilience in coastal Indonesia "
2011	PhD research grant, awarded by Wageningen School of Social Sciences Open Competition
2011	Dissertation fieldwork stipend, Rural Development Sociology Group
2010	Shortlisted for Wageningen University best MSc. thesis award

Selection of small personal grants:

Mobility Grant Leiden University (2018), Mobility Grant Wageningen School of Social Science (2012) and various Dutch grants for fieldwork and study exchange: LISF grant, Lustra grant, Erasmus grant (2006-2007)

Fieldwork and research projects

2020-2022	Leading the Gender and Diversity in Marine Nature Restoration project in the Ocean Nexus Research Network, and supervising research on the sub-project 'feminist approaches in marine social science'.
2019- present	Leading and carrying out a review for the ' Identity and Small-Scale Fisheries ' cluster of the Illuminating Hidden Harvest (IHH) project of the FAO.
2019-2020	Qualitative research for Work Package 3 of the EURASTiP project on social sustainability in aquaculture in Southeast Asia . I conducted qualitative field research in Vietnam on inclusive shrimp certification and organized a project-wide evaluation of innovation platform development.
2018-2019	I developed and carried out fieldwork for the pilot project ' Human-Coral entanglements in Climate Change Adaptation Programs in Indonesia ' pilot study, investigating different ethics of environmental care in community-based coral reefs rehabilitation programs.
2011-2013	I developed the PhD project ' Exploring complexity in the building of marine protected areas in Indonesia '. For this, I carried out 20 months of ethnographic research in Indonesia based on 'on the move' methodology exploring sea-based networks of trade, fishing, seafaring and conservation, focusing on the lives of blast- and cyanide fishers, female traders, and clashes between indigenous and science-based understandings of 'marine nature' in conservation outreach practices.

Memberships & academic service

Reviewer for:	Rural Studies, Geoforum; Society & Natural Resources, HAU Journal of Ethnographic Theory; Ecology and Society; American Anthropologist; Cultural Anthropology: Writing with Light; Amsterdam Social Sciences Journal
2020 present	Member International Coral Reef Society
2020-present	Member diversity and anti-racism work group, FNP group, Wageningen University
2019-present	Member Wageningen School of Social Sciences
2019-2020	Member Canadian Anthropology Society
2018	Member of the European Association of Social Anthropologists (EASA)
2013-2015	Member of EuroSEAS – European Association for Southeast Asian Studies
2014	Ph.D. representative Rural Development Sociology Group, Wageningen University

Publications

Bush, Simon, Annet **Pauwelussen**, Pau Badia Grimalt, Sake Kruk, David Little, Luong Le The, Richard Newton, Nhan Dinh The, Muhammad Meezanur Rahman, Patrick Sorgeloos, Yeong Sung, (2020) '[Implementing Aquaculture Technology and Innovation Platforms in Asia](#)', *Aquaculture* 530 (735822).

Pauwelussen, Annet (2020) '[Commentary 11 to the Manifesto for the marine social sciences: culture and religion](#)', *Maritime Studies* 19(2), 147-149.

Kraan, Marloes, Rolf Groeneveld, Annet P. **Pauwelussen**, Tim Haasnoot and Simon R. Bush (2020) '[Science, subsidies and the politics of the pulse trawl ban in the European Union](#)', *Marine Policy* 118: 103975.

Pauwelussen, Annet and Simon R. Bush (2020) Inclusive Assurance Models in Vietnamese Shrimp Aquaculture. Report for the European Commission.

Bush, Simon, Annet **Pauwelussen**, Pau Badia Grimalt, Sake Kruk, David Little, Luong Le The, Richard Newton, Nhan Dinh The, Muhammad Meezanur Rahman, Patrick Sorgeloos, Yeong Sung (2020) 'Establishing Aquaculture Technology and Innovation Platforms in Asia: Reflections from the EURASTiP Project'. Report for the European Commission.

Pauwelussen, Annet and Gerard Verschoor (2017) '[Amphibious encounters: coral and people in conservation outreach in Indonesia](#)', *Engaging Science, Technology and Society* 3: 292-314.

Pauwelussen, Annet (2017) 'Tracing community: a case from coastal Indonesia', in *Anthropological Knowledge on the Move*, ed. by V. de Rooij. Amsterdam: Amsterdam University Press.

Pauwelussen, Annet (2016) '[Community as network: exploring a relational approach to social resilience in coastal Indonesia](#)', *Maritime Studies* 15: 2 [online].

Schwerdtner Máñez, Kathleen and Annet **Pauwelussen** (2016) '[Fish is women's business too: looking at marine resource use through a gender Lens](#)', in *Perspectives on Oceans Past: A Handbook of Marine Environmental History*, ed. by K. Schwerdtner Máñez and B. Poulsen. Dordrecht: Springer.

Pauwelussen, Annet (2015) '[The moves of a Bajau middlewoman: understanding the disparity between trade networks and marine conservation](#)', *Anthropological Forum* 25(4): 329-349.

Accepted & in production

Pauwelussen, Annet, 'Rethinking human-nature relations through amphibious twinship, forthcoming in *Environmental Alterities*, ed. by A. Walford and C. Bonelli. Manchester: Mattering Press.

Neitzel, Sophie M., Johan Verreth, Annet **Pauwelussen** and Simon R. Bush, 'Emerging trends in aquaculture trade and regulation between Europe and Southeast Asia', accepted pending revision for *Reviews in Aquaculture*.

Pauwelussen, Annet, Marloes Kraan and Hilde Toonen. 'The Value of Small-Scale Fisheries: Social and Cultural Identity.' In revision for the *Illuminating Hidden Harvest Report* by the FAO, Rome.

Film:

Pauwelussen, Annet, Silke van Diemen and Mark Westmooreland. (2019) 'Immersive Ethnography in the Makassar Strait'. Visual Ethnography Leiden.

Blog (with Sallie Lau):

<https://amphibiousanthropologies.wordpress.com/>

Theses:

[Amphibious Anthropology: Engaging with Maritime Worlds in Indonesia.](#)

PhD thesis, Wageningen University (2017)

[Fishing Nets & Family Ties: an Exploration of Social Resilience in an Indonesian Coastal Frontier Area.](#)

MSc. thesis, Wageningen University (2010)

WALHI vs. Mount Merapi National Park: Environmentalist Discourses in a Struggle over Place, Knowledge and Power. MA thesis, Leiden University (2008)

Interviews and media performances:

“Docent is eikel”: Universiteiten klaar met snoeiharde studentenkritiek” NOS 2018

<https://nos.nl/op3/artikel/2226680-docent-eikel-universiteiten-klaar-met-snoeiharde-studentenkritiek.html>

“Cyanidevisserij is een manier van leven” Resource 11 April 2017, edition 17.

<https://resource.wur.nl/nl/wetenschap/show/Cyanidevisserij-is-manier-van-leven.htm>

“Zee ook een thuis van de mens”, Nederlands Dagblad 1 April 2017, p 17.

<https://www.nd.nl/nieuws/wetenschap/promovendus-zee-ook-thuis-van-de-mens.2638655.lynkx>

Conference and panel organization

Organizer & chair session panel [Human Relations to Reefs](#), ICRS conference 2021 Bremen.

(How can social sciences contribute to equal exchanges between different ways of thinking and doing coral protection and rehabilitation?) with Sofia Riveira (UC Davis)

Organizer & chair session panel “On coral ethnographic research: Thinking concepts, inheritance and speculative gestures” at the CASCA/AAA meeting Vancouver, 20-24 November 2019, with Sofia Riveira (UC Davis)

Organizer and chair session panel “Natures in Tension: Ontological Politics in Environmental Contestation” at the Political Ecology of Conflict, Capitalism and Contestation conference 6-9 July 2016, Wageningen.

Chair session panel “Mapping and Visualization” at the 8th MARE Centre for Maritime Research conference, 24-26 June 2015, Amsterdam

Conference organizer and moderator of the 5th Southeast Asia Update, 21 June 2013 Wageningen. With Dik Roth (Wageningen UR) and the Royal Institute of Southeast Asian Studies (KITLV), Leiden

Presentations

Selection of invited talks:

“Aligning standards and certification in sustainable shrimp farming in Southeast Asia, **Invited Presentation** at the European Commission DG Research and Innovation, Brussels, 3 April 2019 (with Simon Bush).

“Immersive ethnography: experimenting with visual materials”, **Invited Lecture** for Media Worlds, Leiden School of Visual Ethnography, 28 March 2019.

“Vishack: hacken voor visserij-innovatie”, **Invited Talk** at the Ministry of Economic Affairs & Climate, The Hague.

“Amphibious anthropology: moving (in-)between worlds”, **Invited Talk** at the Institute for Science in Society, Radboud University, Nijmegen, 18 September 2018.

“Tracing networks through mobile ethnography”, **Invited Talk** at the School of Marine and Environmental Affairs of the University of Washington in Seattle, 30 2018.

“Social Diversity in Human-Nature Relations”, **Invited Talk** for Studium Generale Wageningen University, Wageningen, 9 April 2018.

“Amphibious relations in Indonesian seas: rethinking environmental governance from a sea perspective”, **Invited Talk** at the Van Vollenhoven Institute for Law, Governance and Society, Leiden, 5 March 2018.

Participation in **Roundtable Discussion** ‘Dilemma’s in practice’ at the workshop ‘Discussing Ethics and Integrity: Anthropological Dilemma’s’, University of Amsterdam, Dep. of Anthropology, 24/01 2018.

“Amphibious anthropology”, **Invited Talk** at the Wageningen Marine Research (WMR) Symposium on Interdisciplinary Collaboration, IJmuiden, 26 June 2017.

“Seeing from the sea: a reorientation of anthropological research”, **Research Seminar** given at Murdoch University Centre for Asian Studies, 4 June 2013, Perth, Australia.

Participation in **Roundtable Discussion** about maritime social networks at the Institute of Tropical Marine Ecology, Bremen, Germany, 30 October 2011.

Selection of conference paper presentations:

“Fluid bodies and disgruntled sea spirits: manifestations of gender in human-sea interactions. Paper presented at the ‘Fishy Feminists’ workshop, MARE Conference 24-28 July 2019.

“Bajau women and the art of coral gardening: gendered currents in littoral Indonesia”, paper presented at the LOVA workshop on Gender and Nature 15 June 2018, Nijmegen.

“Where do islands begin and end? A comparative approach to the fluid identity of islands in Eastern Indonesia”, paper presented at the 16th ISISA Islands of the World Conference 10-14 June 2018, Leeuwarden/Terschelling (with Elena Burgos-Martinez).

“Amphibious anthropology: engaging with maritime worlds in Indonesia”, presentation of PhD thesis at the MARE Conference, 5-7 July 2017, Amsterdam.

“Amphibious men, leaking bodies: affective encounters of illegal fishing in Indonesia” presented at the ‘Value of Life: Measurements, Stakes, Implications’ Conference, 28-30 June 2017, Wageningen.

“Coral enactments: ontological politics in marine conservation outreach in Indonesia”, presented at the ‘Political Ecology of Conflict, Capitalism and Contestation’ Conference 6-9 July 2016, Wageningen.

“Uprooted bandits or aquatic noble savages? The plight of Indonesian sea-nomads who don’t belong”, presented at the ‘Political Ecology of Conflict, Capitalism and Contestation’ Conference 6-9 July 2016, Wageningen.

“Cyanide delight: affective worlds of dive fishing in the Makassar Strait”, presented at the ‘Southeast Asia Update 2016’, Leiden.

“Seafaring as a storyline: an alternative mapping of the Makassar Strait, Indonesia”, presented at the ‘International Convention of Asian Scholars’ Conference, 5-9 July 2016, Adelaide, Australia and the European Association for Southeast Asian Studies Conference, 12-14 August 2015, Vienna, Austria.

“A methodological struggle to map social spaces at sea in Indonesia”, presented at the MARE Conference, 24-26 June 2015, Amsterdam.

“Social resilience as organizational practice: findings from the field”, presented at the ‘European Association for Southeast Asian Studies’ Conference, 2-5 July 2013, Lisbon, Portugal.

“Seeing from the sea: coastal networks and conservation in East Kalimantan, Indonesia”, presented at the ‘Maritime Research’ (MARE) Conference, 26-28 June 2013, Amsterdam.

Selection of departmental talks:

“Amphibious anthropology: engaging with maritime worlds in Indonesia”, **Research Seminar** given at the Institute of Cultural Anthropology and Development Sociology, Leiden University, 24 April 2017.

“Patron-client relations in coastal development”, **Guest Lecture** Wageningen University, February 2014.

“Capturing the elite’ in conservation projects”, **Guest Lecture** Wageningen University, February 2014.

“The value of an ethnographic approach to development issues: a case of illegal fishing networks in Indonesia”, **Guest Lecture**, Wageningen University, September 2013 and September 2014

Teaching

2020-2021	Course coordinator/lecturer for Communities, Conservation and Development (BSc/MSc) Wageningen University
2020-2021	Lecturer for Science and Expertise for Nature and Environment (BSc/MSc) Wageningen University
2020-2021	Lecturer for Research Methodology for Human-Environment Interactions. (BSc/MSc) Wageningen University
2018-2019	Course content development and guest lecturer for Media Worlds. (BSc) Leiden University
2018	Lecturer and instructor for Global Challenges: Diversity (Ba) Leiden University College
2016-2017	Course coordinator/lecturer Heritage Protection in a Global Context: Institutional Practices and Policies MSc/BSc, Leiden University
2016-2017	Course coordinator/lecturer for Contemporary Challenges in Environment and Society (MSc/BSs) Leiden University
2016-2017	Instructor for VeldwerkNL Fieldwork methodology course (BSc) Leiden University
2015-2016	Instructor for Methodology for Field Research in the Social Sciences (MSc/BSc) Wageningen University
2016	Instructor for Natural Resource Governance in a Complex World (BSc) Wageningen University
2014-2016	Lecturer for Policy, Projects and Programs for Development (2 years) (MSc) Wageningen University
2014-2015	Lecturer/instructor for Cutting Edge Issues in Rural Development (MSc) Wageningen University
2013, 2014	Guest lecturer for Theory and Practice of Development (MSc) Wageningen University
2010	Lecturer for Property Rights, Natural Resources and Conflict (BSc) Wageningen University

Supervision of thesis projects:

(ongoing)	Critical approach to women empowerment in Mangrove restoration	MSc
(ongoing)	Polycentric governance in the Wadden Sea	MSc
2020	The meaning of taboo in marine management in French Polynesia	MSc
2018	Ethnography of waste management in Ghana	MSc
2018	Place attachment and identity in climate change adaptation	BSc
2018	Dutch river governance	BSc
2017	Local-global frictions in sea turtle conservation in Bali	MSc
2017	Perceptions of climate change in Indonesia	MSc
2017	Indigenous ontologies and sea turtle conservation in Indonesia	BSc
2017	Contesting values in sea turtle conservation in the Philippines	BSc
2017	Living with the effects of climate change in archipelagic environments	BSc
2017	Fair trade and theories of labor	BSc
2017	Commoditization of water in Mexico and India	BSc
2017	The concept of resilience in disaster studies	BSc
2017	The concept of waste in anthropology	BSc
2016	Refugee acceptance in Balk, The Netherlands	MSc
2015	Sea nomads and ecotourism in the Mergui Archipelago, Myanmar	BSc