

## Curriculum Vitae Vincent Swinkels

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Date of Birth : January, 2nd, 1966  
Place of Birth : The Netherlands  
Nationality : Dutch

### KEY QUALIFICATIONS

Vincent has a broad experience in climate change, sustainability and environmental issues. He worked for the Dutch government (Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Inclusive Green Growth Department, Climate Unit), as consultant on climate change and energy policy (SQ Consult, KPMG Sustainability and DHV) and in industry (Van Leer Packaging). He is experienced in strategy and policy development, analysis and evaluations related to environmental issues, energy, climate change and sustainability. Vincent holds a M.Sc. in Industrial Design (Delft Technical University) and an MBA in Strategic Environmental Management. His position at the Dutch Ministry of Foreign Affairs has provided him a up-to-date insight in climate finance and development cooperation policies.

He combines in-depth insight in the interaction between policies and markets with passion for sustainability and a solid understanding of business and management issues. He enjoys working as an interface between government and business, making use of his technical background, economical insight, ability to analyze complex issues and knowledge of sustainability and climate change policy.

Over the years, Vincent has build up and extensive track record on consultancy assignments including several evaluations and capacity building projects. He has advised a large number of national and international clients including the European Commission, national Ministries and government agencies. Projects included the evaluation of the implementation of emission trading in The Netherlands for the Ministry of Environment, and assignments for the Bulgarian government in capacity building projects to implement EU-ETS and REACH Directives.

### EDUCATION AND TRAINING

1984 – 1990: M.Sc in Industrial Design, Delft University

1993 – 1995: MBA in Strategic Environmental Management, University of Amsterdam

### WORK EXPERIENCE

2012- to present Senior Consultant energy and climate change, **SQ Consult bv, the Netherlands**

2012-to present Senior Consultant energy and climate change, **Vincent Swinkels Sustainable Strategy**

2015 – 2016 Coordinating policy officer, **Dutch Ministry of Foreign Affairs**, Inclusive Green Growth Department, Climate Unit

2006 – 2012 Senior Consultant energy and climate change, **DHV bv**

1999 – 2006 Consultant energy and climate change, **KPMG Sustainability**

1997 – 1999 Programme Officer, **Novem bv**

1994 – 1997 Assistant manager corporate environmental affairs, **Van Leer Packaging Worldwide**

1990 – 1994 R&D Project Engineer, **Van Leer Packaging Worldwide**

## LANGUAGES

Dutch: Mother tongue  
 English: Excellent  
 German: Reading and understanding  
 French: Reading and understanding

## SELECTION OF ASSIGNMENTS

### INTERIM ASSIGNMENTS

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| 2016    | Coordinating policy officer (interim) at the <b>Dutch Ministry of Foreign Affairs</b> . Vincent was responsible for policy coordination related to <b>zero deforestation</b> and climate change, including the Amsterdam Declaration on zero deforestation commitments and the Tropical Forest Alliance 2020. Also responsible for the Dutch participation in CREWS ( <b>Climate Risk Early Warning Systems</b> ). |
| 2015/16 | Coordinating policy officer (interim) at the <b>Dutch Ministry of Foreign Affairs</b> . Vincent was involved in a number of different dossiers: reporting to the UNFCCC on <b>climate finance</b> ; results reporting to the Dutch Parliament; assistance to the Dutch board member of the <b>Green Climate Fund (GCF)</b> ; participation in the development of the fund “Climate Investor One (CIO)”.            |

### SELECTION OF CONSULTING ASSIGNMENTS

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| 2013/15 | Strategy development and support to the further development of the <b>CO<sub>2</sub> Performance Ladder</b> , for SKAO.  |
| 2013    | Possible expansion of <b>European emissions trading system (EU ETS)</b> into transport and Built Environment. Study for the European Commission.   |
| 2010/12 | Project manager for a large technical assistance contract (a.o. licensing, notifications) to the <b>Dutch Emissions Authority</b> . Support related to the implementation of CO <sub>2</sub> and NO <sub>x</sub> emission trading.                                 |
| 2011    | Project leader for a study investigating the <b>potential for sustainable improvement through green public procurement</b> for the Dutch Ministry of infrastructure and environment.   |
| 2010    | Review of the draft 'Klimaatwijzer', a document that describes a process <b>how to take climate change adaptation on board in environmental planning</b> , including infrastructure development, for the Rijkswaterstaat (RWS).                                    |
| 2008    | <b>Exploration of climate change adaptation</b> . Project leader of an exploratory study into the effects of climate change for Limburg province.  |
| 2007    | Project manager for the <b>evaluation of the implementation of emissions trading</b> , focusing on legal implementation, functioning of the market and functioning of the Emissions Authority in the Netherlands, for the Dutch Ministry of Environment.           |
| 2007/09 | Climate change impact study and action plan for road infrastructure. <b>Study of effects of climate change (adaptation and mitigation)</b> on road infrastructure and agenda setting for organisational actions and priorities. Project for Rijkswaterstaat (RWS). |
| 2005/09 | Implementation of <b>EU Directives emissions trading (ETS) and REACH in Bulgaria</b> , assistance to the Bulgarian Ministry of Environment, in an assignment for the Dutch Ministry of Economical Affairs.   |