



EMMA MEERKERK – VAN BRUGGEN

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Owner Passion for Impact | Supporting future-proof value chains |
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Work Experience

PASSION FOR IMPACT – SELF-EMPLOYED 2024 – current

As a sustainability expert, I help companies embed sustainability into their strategy, operations and value chain. I am passionate about creating systems that are transparent, fair, green, and above all, future-proof. I also provide training and education to accelerate the transition toward a more sustainable and equitable economy. Examples of my work include:



iv 2024 – current

2025: Climate strategist: developing transition plan, emission-reduction pathways, and concrete first actions.

2024: Project management of the CSRD trajectory, kick-starting the process and coordinating the double materiality assessment.



Haarlem University of Applied Sciences 2024-2025

2025: Second assessor of the master Sustainability management

2024: Lecturer of the master course Sustainability – The Basics



Impact Fair 2024-2025

2025: Organised “Futureproof Supply Chains”, with speakers from MVO Nederland, the IMVO Support Centre, and the SER.

2024: Facilitated speed dating sessions to link NGOs and companies



Alucol 2024

Conducted a high-level double materiality assessment to identify key sustainability impacts and financial risks

MOTTO IN LIFE

“The world has to become better with me than it would have been without me”

SUSTAINABILITY MANAGER – QUOOKER 2022- 2024

Responsible for the sustainability strategy. Defined the focus areas, started LCA analysis, GHG protocol, energy calculations and above all motivation and support to all departments.

ENGINEER SUSTAINABILITY – THETFORD 2020-2022

Diverse activities – Project management & creating sustainability strategy including: Circular economy and Plastic recycling

PROJECT LEADER – FUJIFILM 2015 -2020

Converted customer needs into clear technical requirements and led large-scale production testing with a cross-functional team.

MANAGER SUSTAINABILITY PROJECT – PROVINCE FRIESLAND 2011

Manage team of 4 members: investigate sustainability of Oerol Festival

EDUCATION

SUSTAINABILITY COURSES

- Workshop Meaningful stakeholder dialogue – SER
- Training B – Corp Consultant – B-lab Europe
- Community of Practice: start with CSRD – MVO Nederland
- Impact in one Day – Impact Centre Erasmus
- Circular Economy & Sustainability: Impact on Business Models, Finance and Investments – University of Cambridge
- Circular Economy & Sustainability strategies – University of Cambridge
- Circular Design Class Packaging – CIRCO & KIDV

INTERESTS

Walking keeps me happy and fit.
Travelling inspires me due to completely different cultures and environments. I like to capture all experiences with my hobby photography

OTHER COURSES

- Photography, basic module – Dutch Academy of Photography
- Problem Solving Decision Making – Kepner – Tregoe
- Green belt, lean six sigma – UPD

NATIONAL DUTCH GRADUATE SCHOOL OF POLYMER SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY 2016-2018

Register of polymer experts.

MASTER OF MATERIALS SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING (CUM LAUDE), TECHNICAL UNIVERSITY OF DELFT 2012-2015

Title thesis: Circular Economy of Mechanical Recycled Post-Consumer PP.

MASTER OF CHEMICAL ENGINEERING, TECHNICAL UNIVERSITY OF DELFT 2011-2014

Title thesis: Dominant Role of a Functionalized Compatibilizer in the Compatibilization of a PP/PET Blend

Honourable mention Society of Plastics Engineers student award 2014 Published Journal article

Exchange student, Ghent University

PERSONAL PROGRAM FOR MASTER CHEMICAL ENGINEERING, TECHNICAL UNIVERSITY OF DELFT 2011-2012

BACHELOR OF MECHANICAL ENGINEERING, TECHNICAL UNIVERSITY OF DELFT 2008-2012

Propaedeutic diploma acquired within the first year, Cum Laude.

Minor Industrial Design, Technical University of Delft 2010-2011

EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

BOARDMEMBER “WERKGROEP JEUGD BOEIMEER” 2026 – current

Organising activities and events for local youth

PHOTOGRAPHER – EMMA’S FAIR PHOTO’S 2023 – current

Offering event and portrait photography to raise funds for non-profit initiatives.

www.emmasfairphotos.nl

CIRCLE STARTER – SCHOOL OF MORAL AMBITION 2024- 2025

I starter a Circle of Moral Ambition, a group of six to eight individuals who assist each other in the pursuit of positive impact

BOARDMEMBER – WERELDWINKEL BREDA 2022-2025

Diverse supporting activities to promote the fair trade economy

BOARDMEMBER – MONDIAAL CENTRUM BREDA (MCB) 2015-2017

MCB is a meeting point for refugees and other people in the margins of society. I was taking care of PR and HR

PROJECT OWNER RELIVE PLASTIC 2010-2017

Initiated a project aimed at improving plastics recycling in Kenya, participated in multiple educational programmes for entrepreneurs, and ensured the project's continuation through successive student teams.

INTERNATIONAL SUMMER SCHOOL – SICHUAN UNIVERSITY, CHINA 2014

INVOLVED IN SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY LEADERSHIP

ASSOCIATION (STELA) 2011-2013

STeLA is an international network aimed at developing outstanding students' leadership skills by organizing a demanding annual forum.

SUBMITTED AND PRESENTED A PAPER AT THE PMI CONFERENCE IN GHENT, BELGIUM 2012

‘Making sense of plastics recycling’

AMBASSADOR COLLEGE FUND – WOMEN IN TECHNOLOGY 2010-2012

INVOLVED IN TOPTRACK – TECHNICAL UNIVERSITY OF DELFT

2009-2012

Program for excellent bachelor Mechanical and Maritime Engineering students

BOARD MEMBER OF THE ORGANIZATION COMMITTEE OF THE SUSTAINABILITY EVENT – DELFT 2010

Responsible for the exhibition and sustainable party.

WAY OF LIVING

Because of my privilege to have been born in a healthy environment, I feel it my duty to mean something for others