

Curriculum Vitae of ir. M.W.M. Smits

Personal Information

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Professional Experience

- 10/2011 – Current *Owner and Architect MWM Architecture (Breda)* [link](#)
Architecture specialises not only in designing and visualising projects, but also in supervised projects abroad. We provide the blueprints, planning, calculations and we act (if requested) as project coordinator on site
- 10/2011 – Current *Professor Architecture AVANS University of Applied Science (Tilburg, Den Bosch)*
Professor of Architecture and also in the preliminary stages of the PhD route. This route will mainly concentrate around a research into the importance of self-designed living-environments.
- 08/2011 – 10/2011 *Junior Designer architectural firm Baudoin van Alphen (Breda)* [link](#)
My duties consisted mainly of creating drawings. I was responsible for the technical side of the designing process (surveying, detailing, etc.).
- 02/2010 – 07/2010 *Professor Architecture and Urban Design Msc 1-2, Technical University of Krakow, Poland* [link](#)
For a period of 5 months, I worked as a teacher at the Technical University in Krakow. During that time, I gave lectures, tutored students, evaluated projects and organized events and presentations.
I worked together with different professors and teachers to learn how to prepare lessons and how to work with institutional frameworks and demands.
- 09/2008 - 12/2008: *Intern architectural draughtsman/visualizer at architectural firm van den Heuvel (Breda)* [link](#)
For 6 months, I worked as an employee at architectural firm van den Heuvel. My tasks covered all aspects of the building process. This includes deliberation with the client, setting up the first sketches and everything in between, up to completion.
I was responsible for both technical aspects (surveying, detailing, etc.) as well as the creative, communicative side of the design process (3d models, visualizations, movie creation, etc.)
- 08/2008 - 12/2008: *Architectural draughtsman at architectural firm van den Heuvel, 16 hours/week* (reference) [link](#)
- 05/2003 – 7/2003: *Architectural draughtsman at architectural firm Baudoin van Alphen* (reference) [link](#)
For 2 months, I worked as an employee at architectural firm Baudoin van Alphen.
My tasks mainly consisted of drafting. I was the responsible party for the technical side. (surveying, detailing, etc.)
- 03/2003 – 5/2003: *Intern architectural draughtsman at architectural firm Baudoin van Alphen* (reference) [link](#)

Education

- 02/2009 - 07/2011: Master Architecture, Technical University, Delft [link](#)
Degree attained
- 09/2006 - 02/2009: Bachelor Architecture, Avans College, Tilburg [link](#)
Degree attained
- 09/2004 -09/2006: Bachelor Interior Design, AKV St.Joost, Breda [link](#)

After following extra courses at both the Academy of Architecture & Urbanity and the Tilburg Architecture BSc, I decided to change course and pursue a degree at the latter institute.

- 09/2000 - 09/2004: Technical school for Building Engineering, Baronie College, Breda [link](#)
 Realized my first development project in Kenya as a graduation internship. Concerned the construction of a dam and water well, in cooperation with the local population.
- 09/1996 - 09/2000: Secondary education, Nassau Scholengemeenschap, Breda [link](#)

Personal skills

Mother tongue: Dutch

Other language:

English				
Understanding		Speaking		Writing
Listening	Reading	Spoken interaction	Spoken production	
C2	C2	C2	C2	C1

Computer skills: Autocad (good)
 Vectorworks (adequate)
 Sketch-up (good)
 Photoshop (good)
 Indesign (good)
 Illustrator (good)
 Premiere (good)
 Microsoft Office Programs (good)

Drivers licence B

Additional activities

Workshops, Events and Publications

- 04/2011 Blog and articles students & teachers Avans College, Tilburg [website link](#)
 04/2011 Publication project Oswiecim (Design project MSc1 TU Delft)
 03/2011 Lecture at Avans College, Tilburg [website link](#)
 03/2011 Article teachers and students to Kenya [website link](#)
 12/2010 Article BN de Stem (on my graduation project and activities in Kenya) [website link](#)
 07/2010 Exposition and lecture Art Boom Festival Krakow
 06/2010 Publication article: "Responsibility and public space". [website link](#)
 10/2009 Group leader International workshop Oswiecim (two weeks fulltime).
 07/2009 Group leader Design studio on the International Workshop Architecture, Barcelona (two weeks fulltime).
 12/2008 Project presentation for Peter Hollands and executive board (Avans)
 08/2006 Winning submission Flying ambition competition (St.Joost)
 08/2008 Organization overview exposition on Peter Eisenman (Avans)
 12/2005 Winning submission reception desk international design week Breda (St.Joost)
 12/2004 Winning submission product design (St.Joost)
 -/2004 Media Kenya [website link](#)

Africa

- 04/2011 *Host teachers and students Avans College (1 week) [website link](#)*
 Tasks: Organizing and hosting the location visit of a group of students and their teachers during one week. The location for their graduation project is the same site where I have been

designing projects since 2008. As such, I have also been involved as a specialist in their graduation track.

03/2009 - current:

Chairman Back2Africa Foundation (8 hours per month)

Tasks: The foundation has committed itself to assist other Dutch aid foundations who wish to develop locally. We form a think tank of various disciplines, who take up projects personally within the foundation. As chairman, I am responsible for guiding the (future) course of the foundation. That includes involving new partner organizations and collaborators.

05/2004 - current:

Architect Back2Africa Foundation (6 hours per week)

Tasks: Designing building projects and advising various parties/stakeholders in sustainable development. This involves coming to an agreement with the funding partner in Holland on the commitments of our foundation in a specific project. Subsequently, I develop a strategy and design brief with the local partner, and deliver the pre-design and definitive design products.