

Bio

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I worked for some years in the area of institutional development and governance at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs before I was posted at our embassy in Zimbabwe in 2002. I spent 3 years in Zimbabwe as Head of Development Cooperation/governance policy officer. There my interest grew in the complexities of society, politics and development and their interrelations. My current responsibility as coordinator of the governance cluster within the Peacebuilding and Human Rights Department enables me to further work on these issues. Our Minister Koenders attaches great importance to a political approach to development cooperation based on a comprehensive political analysis. My main task over the past 1,5 years has been to develop and facilitate the implementation of the Strategic Governance and Corruption Analysis (SGACA's). A tool for our embassies to combine a political (economy) analysis with the formulation of an operational strategy.