

CURRICULUM VITAE

1. **Family name :** VAN LOOVEREN
2. **First names :** LUC
3. **Date of birth :** 18 NOVEMBER 1960
4. **Nationality :** BELGIAN
5. **Civil status :** MARRIED, TWO DAUGHTERS
6. **Education :** APPLIED ECONOMIC SCIENCES

Institution [Date from - Date to]	Degree(s) or Diploma(s) obtained:
University Antwerp 1978 - 1982	Master in applied economic sciences

7. **Language skills:** Indicate competence on a scale of 1 to 5 (1 - excellent; 5 - basic)

Language	Reading	Speaking	Writing
Dutch	1	1	1
English	1	1	1
French	1	2	2
German	2	3	3

8. **Membership of professional bodies:**
9. **Other skills:** (e.g. Computer literacy, etc.): Microsoft Office (Word, Exell, Powerpoint)
10. **Present position:** Senior Advisor EU relations

11. **Years within the firm:** 31

12. **Key qualifications:**

More than 28 years experience in studying business related “acquis communautaire”, especially internal market rules (incl. free movement of goods, technical harmonization, etc. with a special focus on agri-food products, chemical products and products covered by CE marking requirements.

Experience in international project management, mainly in the field of capacity building at international relations departments of business support organisations in Central and Eastern Europe.

13. **Professional experience**

Date from - Date to	Location	Company	Position	Description
1987-2019 (till today)	Antwerp	Voka – Chamber of Commerce and Industry Antwerp-Waasland	Senior Advisor EU - relations	Responsible for: 1) individual inquiries from local enterprises about EU policy matters; 2) project management of international projects with partners in EU countries, new Member States, candidate countries, new EU neighbouring countries; some Asian countries (India, Philippines, Vietnam). Main focus for these projects: transfer of expertise in offering targeted “acquis communautaire” info to local enterprises; transfer of best practices in the field from EU enterprises in areas as CSR (sustainable development); hygiene of foodstuffs; innovation; IPR; etc.
1987	Brussels + Herentals	Jacobs Suchard SA	Assistant to the Controller	Processing of bookkeeping figures for controlling purposes.
1986-1987	Antwerp	Hessenatie	Junior Manager Commercial Department	Price calculations for stevedoring activities + control of invoicing
1985-1986	Duffel	Scott Continental SA	Assistant Export Manager	Order processing + export documents

1984-1985	Antwerp	Spaarkrediet	Account manager Mortgages	Follow-up of mortgage loans with private clients.
1983-1984	Heverlee + Aachen (Germany)	Ministry of Defense	Reserve Officer (2 nd Lieutenant)	Various tasks in logistical battalion

14. **Other relevant information** (eg, Publications)

SPECIFIC EU KNOWLEDGE

- 1) Expert in EU foodstuffs laws: regular trainer in various countries for overview + checklist on EU food laws

A Best Practice Award in Trainings in the field of Internationalization was given in 2018 by the ETF in Turin to my course on EU market access requirements for agri-food products.

- 2) Expert in EU chemical products laws: editor of checklist on EU laws for various chemical product sectors
- 3) Expert in technical harmonization and standards (CE-marking). Products covered are: construction products, machines and electrical equipment, medical devices, telecom equipment, etc.

Experience in giving courses in different countries about the implementation of this sector oriented legislation, assisting companies in identifying relevant EU laws, etc. Specific tools: “acquis communautaire” checklists allowing to identify relevant EU measures for foreign exporters + format for editing structured case reports with info about EU import rules, EU products rules, market info, platforms allowing to find potential business partners, etc.

- 4) Broad understanding of the EU laws on health and safety at work, consumer legislation and environment.
- 5) Large experience in building up and running EU related information centres (e.g. Setting-up of Euro Info Centre at Voka – Chamber of Commerce and Industry Antwerp-Waasland and a Correspondence Centre at the Kosovo Chamber of Commerce and the Serbian Chamber of Commerce and Industry)

- 6) Project management: frequent involvement in EU-funded projects aimed at capacity building in Eastern European countries (e.g. Ukraine, Belarus, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Georgia, Moldova), in Turkey, in Asian countries (e.g. Vietnam and Philippines) and in Southern Mediterranean countries (Egypt, Palestine, Algeria, Lebanon).

Publications:

- more than 200 case reports for enterprises in various sectors (e.g. foodstuffs, chemicals, machinery, construction products, textile products, pressure equipment, toys, transport services, etc.) with a structured overview of EU rules and standards, including practical info about its implementation
- electronic “Guide to doing business with the EU”. This Guide leads the user for many industrial sectors to useful information sources with practical info about the implementation of EU laws (6th edition in 2012)
- booklet + CD-ROM “A Guide to Doing Business with China”. This Guide leads the reader to many organisations and websites with useful business information related to China (1st edition in 2010)
- e-booklet “A Guide to Doing Business with Africa”. This Guide leads the reader to many organisations and websites with useful business information related to Africa (1st edition in 2016)