

Short CV Paul 't Hart



Paul 't Hart is a Dutch Australian and is currently Professor of Public Administration at Utrecht University and Associate Dean of the Netherlands School of Public Administration (NSOB) in The Hague. He resumed both positions in mid-2011, after spending five years as Professor of Political Science at the Australian National University. Paul's research, teaching and consulting covers political and public sector leadership, policy evaluation, public accountability and crisis management. His recent books include *How Power Changes Hands: Transition and Succession in Government* (Palgrave 2011), *Understanding Prime-Ministerial Performance* (Oxford University Press), *The Oxford Handbook of Political Leadership* (Oxford University Press 2014), *Understanding Public Leadership* (Palgrave 2014), *Settling the Office: The Australian Prime Ministership From Federation to Reconstruction* (Miegunyah Press of MUP 2016), *Routledge Compendium to Leadership* (Routledge 2016). This year, two new books will appear: *The Leadership Capital Index: A New Perspective on Political Leadership* (Oxford University Press 2017) and *The Pivot of Power: Australian Prime Ministers and Political Leadership, 1949-2016* (Miegunyah Press of MUP 2017).

He has extensive training and consulting experience within government, primarily in Holland, Sweden and Australia, including secondments at the Dutch Intelligence Service and Public Prosecutors Office. At NSOB he convenes learning programmes for executive directors, as well as for the agency heads. He gave evidence at the Royal Commission into the Victorian Bushfires. He is a convenor of the NSOB's Learning Network, a three-year peer learning programme for Dutch public sector CEO's. At the same time Paul has been a core faculty member of the Australia New Zealand School of Government since 2007, teaching mid-career public servants, and facilitating a range of senior executive workshops and master classes.

Paul chairs the Dutch Society for Public Administration, was elected a member of the Royal Dutch Academy of Arts and Sciences in 2014, and is a member of the commission evaluating the 2012 Police Law (which entailed the largest reorganisation in the history of the Dutch public sector, amalgamating 25 regional forces into a single national police force). He regularly conducts workshops and lectures all around the Dutch and Australian public sectors, mostly on themes related to public leadership, crisis management, and political-administrative relations.

In 2016, Paul was awarded an Advanced Grant from the European Science Foundation for a 5-year programme investigating the nature and preconditions of highly successful public policies, public organisations and public collaborations. In his spare time he tries to play drums, with more zeal than talent.