

**SID NL presents in the 2013-2014 Lecture Series:
Dispersed Power in a World in Transition**

Lecture & Discussion with

Dr Lilianne Ploumen
Dutch Minister for Foreign Trade and Development Cooperation

'Welcome to the New World'
How does the Netherlands respond to the new context?

Tuesday 21 January, VU University, 17:00-18:30

Though the Netherlands is small in size, it is an important economic power with an extensive international network. The Netherlands depends on other nations' development for its own wellbeing and prosperity. Sustainable, inclusive growth around the globe is in the Netherlands' own interests and in the interests of others. However, the influence of the Netherlands is decreasing due to the emergence of new actors on the world stage. Nowadays, relations with low- and middle-income countries are on a more equal footing: developing countries are no longer just recipients of aid, but also trading partners. These developments call for a new aid, trade and investment agenda. In her lecture, Dutch Minister Lilianne Ploumen will share her ideas on how the Netherlands can anticipate and respond to the changing patterns in international relations.

Lilianne Ploumen is Dutch Minister for Foreign Trade and Development Cooperation. Ploumen gained a lot of experience as a marketing manager for profit and non-profit organisations. She was Director of Mama Cash for five years and from 2001 till 2007 she worked at Cordaid among others as Director International Programs. She was Chair of the Labour Party (PvdA) for five years before she was appointed Minister for Foreign Trade and Development Cooperation in November 2012.

The discussion will be moderated by Simone Filippini, Director of Cordaid.



Logistical details:

Date: **Tuesday 21 January 2014**

Time: 17:00-18:30 (drinks at 18:30)

Location: Auditorium, VU University, De Boelelaan 1105, Amsterdam

Language: English

Admission: Free

Registration (seats are limited): registration@sidnl.org

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