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Top Skills

Comparative Cognition

Cognitive Neuroscience

Statistics

Publications

Oxytocin conditions intergroup relations through up-regulated in-group empathy, cooperation, conformity, and defense.

Spiegelen van pupil-grootte geeft vertrouwen

Islamic Headdress Influences How Emotion is Recognized from the Eyes.

Context, gender and personality factors, influencing the perception of facial and bodily expressions of emotion

Emotion perception and health.

Mariska Kret

Full Professor

Amsterdam, North Holland, Netherlands

Summary

Mariska Kret is a full professor in comparative psychology and affective neuroscience at Leiden University, and leads the large CoPAN lab. She holds a PhD in neuropsychology from Tilburg University. During a postdoc at Kyoto University, her research expanded to the study of chimpanzees. Ever since, her teaching and research focus on emotions from a comparative perspective. In 2014, she founded the Cognition, Behavior & Evolution Network, an active society connecting scholars from different disciplines. As editor in chief at the journal Behaviour, she initiated a new journal section devoted to anecdotes in animal behavior. Her research is funded by an ERC Starting grant and by national funding (NWO VIDI). In 2022, she received an Ig Nobel prize for her finding that physiological synchrony plays an important role during blind dates. She reaches out to the general public in her popular science book (she brought some copies for you), her monthly science column in the newspaper NRC, public lectures and media performances. Further, she initiated the 'psychology lab on wheels', which she'll briefly talk about later. For her outreach activities, she has been awarded the 'ERC Public Engagement with Research Award 2022' and earlier this year she has been awarded the prestigious Mercator Sapiens Stimulus from the Koninklijke Hollandse Maatschappij der Wetenschappen, a prize of 1 million euro for fundamental science, diving in the deep question of what makes us human.

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Experience

NRC

Columnist - Popular science - Book writer

April 2023 - Present (2 years 11 months)

Cognition Behavior Evolution Network (CBEN)

Founder and committee member

April 2015 - Present (10 years 11 months)

The Cognition, Behavior & Evolution Network (CBEN) unites scholars working in the fields of evolutionary psychology, behavioral ecology, human biology, primatology, and cultural evolution.

The aim of CBEN is to facilitate research and education in relation to the evolution of cognition and behavior. Its basis is in The Netherlands and Belgium but we invite scholars from other countries to join us.

Brill

Editor-in-Chief at Behaviour

2019 - Present (7 years)

Initiated a special section in the journal for anecdotes of animal behavior https://brill.com/fileasset/downloads_products/BEH_Call_for_Papers_Anecdotes.pdf

Leiden University

10 years 7 months

Full Professor

October 2021 - Present (4 years 5 months)

Associate Professor

April 2020 - September 2021 (1 year 6 months)

Assistant Professor

August 2015 - March 2020 (4 years 8 months)

Nederlandse Vereniging voor Gedragsbiologie

Committee member (conference organizer)

November 2015 - January 2019 (3 years 3 months)

<http://www.gedragsbiologie.nl/>

Nederlandse Vereniging voor Psychonomie

Committee member (treasurer)

January 2012 - January 2016 (4 years 1 month)

<http://psychonomie.nl>

University of Amsterdam

Post doctoral researcher

August 2011 - July 2015 (4 years)

Caltech University
Visiting researcher
2015 - 2015 (less than a year)

Kyoto University Primate Research Institute
Postdoctoral Researcher
February 2011 - August 2011 (7 months)
Inuyama, Aichi, Japan

Universiteit van Tilburg
PhD student
2007 - 2011 (4 years)

Education

Leiden University
PhD, Psychology · (2001 - 2006)