



**Europese Beweging  
Nederland**

## Press release

# Nominations ‘EuroNederlander’ 2014/15 (& online vote open)

### NOMINATION 2014/15

The nominations for the EuroNederlander Award 2014/15 have just been released.

This year’s nominees are: **Rutger Wolfson & the programming team of the International Film Festival Rotterdam** for the special Europe edition in the festivaledition of 2014; **Egbert Fransen & Charlot Schans of Pakhuis De Zwijger** in Amsterdam for their innovative New Europe – Cities in Transition; and **Liesbeth Weijs and Nico Visser of the Montesquieu Instituut** in The Hague for their tireless efforts in organizing a steady stream of Europea debates and for supporting the Europa-Nu website.

Every year, the EuroNederlander Award - issued by the European Movement in the Netherlands (EBN) – is given to individuals or organizations who have contributed in special ways to the European debate and who have stimulated the search for new vitality and better alliances in Europe. The European Movement focuses in particular on the efforts of civil agencies and networks.

### ON-LINE VOTING

From Monday 8 juni to Wednesday June 17, 13.00h, the vote is open at:

**<http://het-portaal.net/formulier/stem-hier-voor-de-euronederlander-award>**

Everybody is cordially invited to participate in the voting!

### AWARD CEREMONY AT INTERNATIONAL PRESS CENTER NIEUWSPOORT, THE HAGUE, ON THURSDAY JUNE 18, 19.30-21.30

The EuroNederlander Award ceremony will take place on June 18, 2015, 19.30-21.30 during the special EU-Poort event: ‘Europe: Desintegration or New Imagination’ .

Location: Internationaal Perscentrum Nieuwspoord, Lange Poten 10, The Hague

Please register if you wish to attend: [ebnuitnodiging@outlook.com](mailto:ebnuitnodiging@outlook.com), and state: EU Poort 18 June.

### FURTHER PRESS DETAILS

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## FROM THE NOMINATION REPORTS



**Rutger Wolfson & het International Film Festival Rotterdam (IFFR)** are nominated: ‘for the outstanding special Europe programming of the 2014 edition of the IFFR, in which through film, theater and special events Europe’s complexity, diversity and pluralism were highlighted, and an vital exploration was undertaken of Europe’s current dilemmas and vitality.’ Wolfson and the IFFR team are also praised for their critical, constructive input in the media through which efforts a more productive conversation about the future of Europe is very much served.

See: [www.iffrr.com/nl/nieuws1/grootste-thema-iffrr-2014-verkent-the-state-of-europe](http://www.iffrr.com/nl/nieuws1/grootste-thema-iffrr-2014-verkent-the-state-of-europe)  
[www.volkskrant.nl/dossier-iffrrfestival/rutger-wolfson-het-is-makkelijker-engageren-met-pussy-riot-dan-met-europa~a3581404/](http://www.volkskrant.nl/dossier-iffrrfestival/rutger-wolfson-het-is-makkelijker-engageren-met-pussy-riot-dan-met-europa~a3581404/)



**Charlot Schans and Egbert Fransen / New Europe – Cities in Transition** are nominated for the ‘engaging manner in which in the New Europe Initiative European cities – under the guidance of Pakhuis De Zwijger –are linked in creative networks of social innovators. The jury deems this approach to foster a much more constructive, pragmatic and future-oriented dialogue about a new social Europe.’ New Europe - Cities in Transition is an on- and offline platform for and by City-Makers in the capitals of the European Union.

See: [www.citiesintransition.eu](http://www.citiesintransition.eu)

[www.issuu.com/pakhuisdezwijger/docs/new\\_europe\\_issuu/1?e=9287607/11054793](http://www.issuu.com/pakhuisdezwijger/docs/new_europe_issuu/1?e=9287607/11054793)



**Liesbeth Weijs and Nico Visser / Montesquieu Institute** are nominated because of the ‘tireless energy with which they keep organizing solid European debates, despite the considerable eurosceptis in the country. Together with the website-team of Europa-Nu they are devoted to

contribute to serious knowledge provision and knowledge-sharing regarding a wide array of European social and political topics.'

The Montesquieu Institute is a multidisciplinary research and education institute. It operates at the interface of democracy, politics and parliamentary decisionmaking in The Netherlands and Europe. Besides its research work, the Institute contributes to the organization of a steady stream of Europe debate- series, the special Europe and Montesquieu lectures, the Model European Parliament and the Europa-Nu website.

See: [www.montesquieu-instituut.nl](http://www.montesquieu-instituut.nl)

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