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Hessel Speelman pursued his academic education at Groningen University (BSc geology/geophysics; 1971), Leiden University (geophysics/sedimentology) and the Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam (MSc hydrogeology; 1974). After completing his education he started conducting geological research in Indonesia and worked as a researcher at the Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam. After obtaining his PhD (Amsterdam; 1979) he started working as a hydrogeologist/project leader in Colombia. In 1982 he was appointed geoscientific expert (mainly focusing on reservoir characterization) at TNO in The Netherlands. From 1988 to 2005 he held senior management positions of geoscientific knowledge institutions (from 1997 to 2005: general director of the by the Dutch government established Netherlands Institute of Applied GeoscienceTNO – National Geological Survey). In addition, he held management positions from the early 90s onwards at institutions which are part of the Dutch knowledge infrastructure related to earth and life sciences (including KNAW, NWO, and universities) and at organisations related to geo-information and at European geoscientific associations and the European Union. From 2005 to 2008 he worked – affiliated with the Netherlands Innovationplatform – on developing ideas for improving the clarity, consistency and transparency (and thus the focus and mass) of the public knowledge infrastructure of The Netherlands. From 2008 to 2012 he was advisor ‘renewal public knowledge infrastructure of The Netherlands’, board member (portfolio: geoscience) of the WaddenAcademy KNAW and chairman/member of supervisory boards/boards of statutory auditors. From 1998 onwards, he participates in audit and review committees established for administrative and scientific assessments of research programs and of research institutions in the Netherlands and other countries of the European Union. Since 2013 he is vice-chairman and geoscientist of the WaddenAcademy, chairman of the steering group long-term subsidence in the Wadden Sea Region and chairman of supervisory boards in the field of earth and life sciences in The Netherlands.