



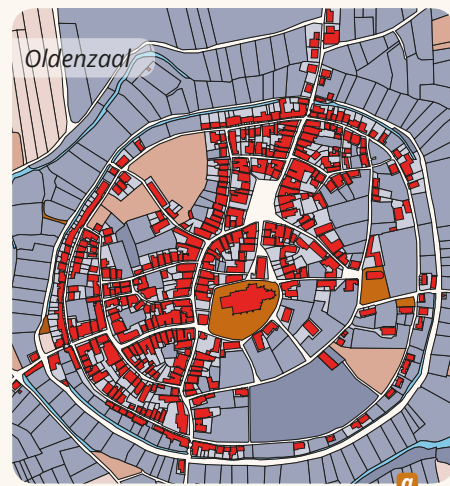
Annual Report 2012

THE FRYSKE AKADEMY IN 2012

The Fryske Akademy is a multi-disciplinary institute, with scholarly research into the Frisian language, culture, history and society as its core responsibility.

Scholarly Research

In the course of 2012, several projects were concluded, among which Poliglott4.eu, HISGIS Overijssel  and Drenthe, Language Rich Europe and Taalontwikkeling Peuters ('Language Development in Toddlers'). In addition, a number of projects were launched, including Riddle of Literary Quality, Tunes and Tales, Taalvitaliteit ('Language Vitality') and LEARNMe (Language and Education Addressed through Research and Networking by Mercator).




Doctorates

On 28 June 2012, Hotso Spanninga obtained his doctorate from Leiden University for his thesis on *Gulden vrijheid? Politieke cultuur en staatsvorming in Friesland, 1600-1640* ; Simon Groenveld and Hans Mol were his supervisors. The six doctoral research projects currently underway are:

- *Meer taal, meer kans: een Papiaments-Nederlands taalontwikkelingsproject* ('More language, better chances: a Papiamento-Dutch language development project') – Nienke Boomstra
- *De tweetalige taalontwikkeling van het jonge Friese kind* ('The bilingual language development of young Frisian children') – Jelske Dijkstra
- *Schieringers en Vetkopers: Vetemaatschappij in Friesland* ('Schieringers and Vetkopers: the feuding society in Friesland') – Matthijs Gerrits
- *De Engelse taalontwikkeling van Friese en Baskische jongvolwassenen* ('The English language development in Frisian and Basque adolescents') – Mirjam Günther-van der Meij
- *Communicatieve vaardigheden van de Friese basisschoolleerlingen* ('Communicative skills of Frisian primary school students') – Marrit Jansma
- *Croniken van der Duytscher Oirden* – Rombert Stapel

By the end of 2012, the Fryske Akademy (in cooperation with the University of Amsterdam) gained four new doctoral research fellowships within the framework of the International Graduate Research School (IGRS) of the University Campus Fryslân (UCF).

Core Publications

- Bergsma, Wiebe, *Enege gedencckwerdege geschiedenissen. Kroniek van de Friese militair Poppo van Burmania uit de Tachtigjarige Oorlog*.  Hilversum: Verloren.
- Boomstra, Nienke et al., 'Parent Reading Beliefs and Parenting Goals of Netherlands Antillean and Dutch Mothers in the Netherlands'. In: *Early Child Development and Care*. (OnlineFirst).
- Faber, Niels R. et al., 'Innovation and Knowledge Management for Sustainability: Theoretical Perspectives'. In: F.S. Nobre, D. Walker & R.J. Harris (eds.), *Technological, Managerial and Organizational Core Competencies*. Hershey, USA: IGI Global.

Hoekstra, Eric et al., 'Changes in the use of the Frisian quantifiers EA/OAIT "ever" between 1250 and 1800'. In: A. van Kemenade & N. de Haas (eds.), *Historical Linguistics 2009. Selected papers from the 19th International Conference on Historical Linguistics, Nijmegen, 10-14 August 2009* (Current Issues in Linguistic Theory, 320). Berlin: John Benjamins.

- Meer, Cor van der & Tjeerd de Graaf, 'Multilingualism and Language Teaching in Europe: The Case of Frisian and the Work of the Mercator European Research Centre'. In: T. de Graaf & E. Karsten (eds.), *Sustaining Indigenous Knowledge*. Fürstenberg/Havel: Foundation for Siberian Cultures.
- Spanninga, Hotso, *Gulden vrijheid? Politieke cultuur en staatsvorming in Friesland, 1600-1640*. Hilversum: Verloren.



Statement of Income and Expenditure

	Realization 2012	Budget 2012
Income Total	€ 4,323,631	€ 3,965,012
Expenditure Total	€ 4,214,196	€ 3,931,834
Balance	€ 109,435	€ 33,178

Staff and organization

At the beginning of 2012, the Fryske Akademy employed 62 (45.47 fte) staff members. By the end of the year, their number had decreased to 50 (38.97 fte): 16 scholars (13.8 fte), 5 PhD students (4.6 fte), 13 research support staff members (8.53 fte) and 16 staff members working in the General Affairs Department (12.05 fte). The Fryske Akademy employs 24 women (16.37 fte) and 26 men (22.6 fte). Two staff members (1.47 fte) retired. The institute offered traineeships to 1 student from an upper vocational school (*mbo*), 1 student from a higher professional education institution (*hbo*) and 7 university students.

Accommodation

Plans to improve and renovate the current accommodation have been developed since 2008. The project consists of two stages: 1. adaptation of the building on the corner of the Doelestraat/Groeneweg; demolition of the buildings at Groeneweg 6, 8 and 10; construction of a one-storey building; conversion of the It Aljemint congress and study centre into a research centre. 2 restoration of the listed buildings It Coulonhûs and Doelestraat 6. In mid-2012, an application was filed for the required integrated environmental permit (including the demolition permit).



Congresses, seminars and symposiums


Six out of the twenty 2012 congresses were international: three on the topic of multilingualism, one on the European landscape and two on Frisian linguistics and philology. In addition, members of the Akademy conducted 111 scholarly lectures, in addition to a fair number of lectures for the general public. A selection from the congresses, seminars and symposiums:

- **28 January** – Symposium and book presentation in honour of Bernard Smilde: 'Tûzenpoat en trochsetter', Leeuwarden. 
- **3 February** – Symposium: 'De Sonttolregisters als bron voor historisch onderzoek' (The Sound Toll Registers as a Source of Historical Research'). Maritime History working group, Leeuwarden.
- **15 March** – MELT: Multilingual Early Language Transmission. Presentation of the results of the MELT project to the European Parliament in Strasbourg.
- **31 May** – Language Rich Europe. Presentation of the research report commissioned by the British Council, on Trends in Policy and Practice for Multilingualism in Europe, Utrecht.
- **6 June** – Symposium on HISGIS Overijssel: HISGIS Overijssel en Digitale Kadastrale Atlas Overijssel, Zwolle.
- **13-15 June** – 19th Frisian philologists congress: 19de Frysk Filologekongres: Taal, Tekst en Maatskippij: It Frysk yn in feroarjende omjouwing, Leeuwarden. 
- **20-23 June** – ICLASP-13: The 13th International Conference on Language and Social Psychology, Leeuwarden.
- **19-24 August** – Reflection on landscape change: The European perspective. PECSRL-25, Leeuwarden and Terschelling. 



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- **28 September** – Symposium on the occasion of 25 years of Mercator, plus an event with Liet International: Fryslân Connected: Music, People and Multilingualism, Leeuwarden. 
- **5 October** – One-day conference: 'Adelljike egodocumenten in Friesland uit de zeventiende eeuw' ('Noble Ego-Documents from 17th-Century Friesland'), Leeuwarden.
- **28-30 November** – Expert Seminar Mercator/Fryske Akademy and Basque Ministry of Education: Social Media and Lesser Used Languages, Leeuwarden.



Members

On 14 September, the Akademy Day, eight new members were appointed: Auke van der Goot, Tanneke Schoonheim, Piter Boersma, Eerde Beulakker, Evert Kramer, Hans Dijk, Folkert van der Meulen and Hesselina de Bos . This brings the total membership of the Fryske Akademy to 320 members. On 9 June, a meeting was convened of members appointed between 2006 and 2011. The members were divided into three groups to discuss the possible ways in which the Fryske Akademy and its members may be of benefit to each other. The members combined represent a wonderful reservoir of brainpower and social influence, and may function as a think tank for both the Fryske Akademy and Fryslân. Furthermore, the members present suggested acting as ambassadors for the Fryske Akademy within their own networks.

Social Involvement

The Fryske Akademy was involved, among other things, in the preparations for Leeuwarden, Capital of Culture in 2018. In addition, the Akademy consulted with the Fries Museum on reinforcement of the infrastructure for research and collections in the field of Frisian language and culture.

Operational Management

In 2012, new cuts were implemented, to the amount of € 76,534 a year. In total, the lump sum subsidy has been cut by more than € 200,000 since 2009. For the time being, these losses are met by not filling vacancies and, as much as possible, by having permanently employed staff members work on projects that are financed by third parties. The Fryske Akademy receives between € 1 and € 1.5 million in indirect project funding, this is to say that about one third of the total income comes from external resources. The projects are monitored by comparing the expenditure with the progress and the planning on a regular basis. The *Rûte en foech* policy memorandum regulates the assignment of powers as well as the management and monitoring tasks of project managers, departmental chairs and board members.

Midterm Review

In March, the Research Committee conducted a Midterm Review in preparation for the 2015 visitation. The preliminary evaluation gave cause to adjust the research policy in the course of 2012 in these respects:

- (I) aim for increased quality and quantity of publications, with an active focus on leading international journals;
- (II) increased cooperation and synergy between the three departments by focusing on two central research topics: Identity and Multilingualism;
- (III) seek to pool resources and increase the flexibility of the research structure; and
- (IV) make the most of the opportunities provided by the University Campus Fryslân.

Websites and social media

Unique visitors to the Fryske Akademy's four websites:

Website	Number of unique visitors
www.fryske-akademy.nl	34,576
www.hisgis.nl	28,852
www.networkofschools.org	4,959
www.mercator-research.eu	22,732

In addition, the Fryske Akademy became actively involved in various social media: Facebook (www.facebook.com/FryskeAkademy)  and Twitter (@FryskeAkademy). By the end of 2012, the Facebook page had scored approximately 140 'likes' and the Akademy's Twitter account had 250 followers.

