



# Peter van den Biggelaar

- Vice Chair, International Legal Aid Group
- Former Chief Executive Director, Legal Aid Board, Netherlands

## BIOGRAPHY

P.J.M. van den Biggelaar (born in Helmond, the Netherlands, on 25/3/1952), Master of Law, is the retired Executive Director of the Dutch Legal Aid Board (LAB).

In 1992 he joined the Legal Aid Board in 's-Hertogenbosch, which was in the process of being formed. Since March 1993 appointed as executive director of the Legal Aid Board ('s-Hertogenbosch, which was one of the five Legal Aid Boards in the Netherlands.

After the merge of the five Legal Aid Boards (February 2009) he worked for the National Legal Aid Board as executive director.

Member of the Steering Committee of the International Legal Aid Group (ILAG) since 2007 and vice-chair as of June 2017.

Participant for the Dutch Legal Aid Board in national and international multi-stakeholder access to justice and legal aid seminars, conferences and projects. Participated as medium - and short-term legal aid expert in international projects on access to justice and legal aid.

After retirement (2016) still involved as legal aid expert in projects and activities for the EU, Council of Europe, UNDP, UNODC and others in Europe, Asia and Africa.