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# Professor Andries Nentjes Memorial Issue

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The ISINI 2020 conference was organized in the honour of Professor Andries Nentjes (www.isini.info). ISINI, the International Society of Intercommunication of New Ideas, is much indebted to Professor Nentjes, who passed away in March 2019, at the age of 80. During the conference, the organizers tried to honor Professor Nentjes by doing exactly what he always loved: the academic debate in a critical, friendly and supportive manner. In the September issue of CEREM we published an article on "The Legacy of Andries Nentjes" (Woerdman et al. 2020). This issue contains six articles of the ISINI conference from sessions dedicated to Andries Nentjes. As written on the ISINI website:

"Andries Nentjes was Professor of Economics and Public Finance at the University of Groningen, the Netherlands during more than thirty years. His celebrated academic work encompasses history of economic thought, macroeconomics, post-Keynesian theories and his favourite subject: environmental economics. He is considered a founding father of the environmental economics in the Netherlands. His paper with Simon Kuipers (1973) that elaborated the relation between increasing costs of pollution and limits to economic growth triggered new research. This innovative paper on sustainable growth showed that specific conditions need to be fulfilled regarding technical progress in order to prevent

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economic stagnation. As an environmental voluntarist in front of the European Parliament and Dutch government and as supporter of social entrepreneurs Andries fostered environmental organizations, business and policy making. Andries also helped to revive ISINI. His dedication to science, his warm personality and his sense of humor will never be forgotten."

# **Andries Nentjes**



(1938 - 2019)

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