

## **Curriculum Vitae – Ina ter Avest**

Ina ter Avest is em. Professor 'Philosophy of Life' of the Inholland University of Applied Sciences and was senior lecturer 'Religious Education' at the VU University in Amsterdam. Currently she teaches 'Life Orientation' and 'Pedagogy' at the Islamic Faculty in Amsterdam (IUA).

Ina ter Avest did her Masters at the Radboud University in Nijmegen, and graduated as a psychologist of Culture and Religion. In her PhD research she focussed on the religious development of pupils (primary school) in an intercultural and interreligious context - a domain at the crossroads of psychology of religion and intercultural pedagogy. In her teaching as well as in her research (religious) identity development is central: identity development of pupils/students, of teachers and of teams of teachers in schools. Currently she is involved in research projects on the prevention of radicalization and the role of religion in narratives of first generation migrants.

In her private practice she combines the theoretical frame of reference of the dialogical self theory (DST; she was trained as a consultant following the DST's Self Confrontation Method) with her education as a psychodramatist, and coaches individuals as well as groups.

