

Claes Göran Alvstam

Curriculum vitae

Personal

- *Born March 8, 1949 in Brännkyrka parish, Stockholm, Sweden; married, three sons, two grandchildren.
- *Studentexamen in Falun 1968.
- *Professor of International Economic Geography at the University of Gothenburg 1994-2016. School of Business, Economics and Law, University of Gothenburg, Sweden.
- *Retired March 31, 2016.
- *Professor emeritus since April 1, 2016.

Academic degrees and promotions

- B.Sc.(Econ) (Civilekonom) Major in economics, 1971;
- Ph.D. (Econ.) in economic geography, 1979;
- Associate professor (Docent) in economic geography, 1981.

Academic positions

- 1969-1971 Assistant in international economics at the School of Economics and Business Administration, Göteborg, Sweden.
- 1971-1972 (Military service 18 months).
- 1972-1982 Junior lecturer, University of Gothenburg.
- 1983-1991 Senior lecturer (tenured position).
- Spring 1985 Acting professor in economic geography during chairholder's sabbatical leave.
- 1985-1986 Acting professor in economic geography, Stockholm School of Economics.
- Spring 1990 Acting professor in economic geography during chairholder's sabbatical leave.
- 1991-1994 Professor (tenured) at the School of Economics and Business Administration (Hanken), Helsinki, Finland.
- 1992 Adjunct professor (docent) at Åbo Akademi, Finland.
- 1994- 2016 Professor (tenured) at the School of Business, Economics and Law, The University of Gothenburg.
- 1996 Adjunct professor (docent) at Hanken.
- Spring 2000 Temporary employment as professor at Stockholm School of Economics.

Other appointments; guest lectures:

- 1980- now Guest lectures held at universities in Japan, Korea, P.R. China, Taiwan, Hong Kong, Malaysia, Singapore, Indonesia, Thailand, USA, U.K., Netherlands, Belgium, Spain, Germany, Norway, Denmark, Finland, Poland, South Africa, Mozambique;
- 1981-1983 Head of Department of Human and Economic Geography;
- 1991-1996 Director of the Centre for East and Southeast Asian Studies, University of Gothenburg;
- 1993-2004 Editor-in-chief of *Geografiska Annaler, series B* (largest refereed international academic journal within Human and Economic Geography in Scandinavia);
- 1994-2013 Board Member of the Centre for European Research, Göteborg University; Chairman of the Board 2009-2012; Chairman of the International Advisory board 2013-2018;
- 1997-2000 Member of the Faculty Board, School of Business, Economics and Law;
- 1997-2000 Deputy member of the board of Swedish Research Council in Humanities and Social Sciences (HSFR); Member of the Preparatory committee in Economics, Business, Geography and Statistics 1996-2000; Member of NorFA and NOS-S panels;
- 2000- 2004 Member of the Commission of the Dynamics of Economic Space within the International Geographical Union;
- 2001- 2003 Head of Department of Human and Economic Geography;
- 2003- 2010 Member of the Research Committee for economics and business within The Bank of Sweden Tercentenary Foundation (Riksbankens Jubileumsfond); Committee chairman and member of the Board 2005-2010; Chairman of the Committee of the RJ Sabbatical initiative 2014-2019;
- 2003-2008 Dean of Graduate Business School; Coordinator of the International Business and Trade Programme 2003-2013;
- 2003- 2009 Appointed Vice-Dean for Research and International Relations within the School of Business, Economics and Law; 2nd deputy chairman of Faculty Board;
- 2003- 2012 Member of the Scientific Committee within the Volvo Research and Educational Foundation. Deputy Chairman 2009-2012;
- 2003- 2019 Member of the Research Committee for International Security Policy. The Swedish Institute of International Affairs (Utrikespolitiska Institutet);
- 2004- 2013 Member of the Steering Committee in Lighthouse Maritime Research group. University of Gothenburg and Chalmers University of Technology;
- 2008- 2012 Adviser in international affairs (Rektorsråd) to the Vice-Chancellor of the University of Gothenburg; Chairman of the Advisory Board of Internationalization;
- 2008-2017 Director of the Centre for International Business Studies, Department of Business Administration;
- 2009-2013 Holder of the Ragnar and Torsten Söderberg Research Chair in Economic Sciences;
- 2010-2014 Member of standing research panels within the Academy of Finland.
- 2011 Member of an Advisory Committee within the Norwegian Research Council.

Publications (see separate list of publications)

Published several monographs, articles, textbooks and more popular contributions within the research fields of economic statistics, international trade, foreign direct investment, economic integration, trade policy, R&D policy, international business, transport and industrial change. Main geographical areas include Western Europe (European economic integration), Centrally-planned economies in Eastern Europe (particularly Poland), East and South-East Asia, China. (regionalisation, industrial transformation, economic integration, foreign direct investment). Frequent peer-reviewer in numerous international journals.

Supervision

Main supervisor of about 20 Ph.D. dissertations in Sweden and Finland. In addition, co-supervisor in about 10 dissertations; member of Ph.D. examination committees roughly 60 times (1981-2016).

External examiner in Ph.D. dissertations at the University of Malaya, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia and Macquarie University, Sydney, Australia.

Supervisor of a post-doc Wallander scholarship 2010-2012.

Other research evaluation commitments

Member of expert committees to evaluate applications to professorial positions and -promotions (sakkunnig vid professorstillsättning och -befordran) 14 times (Sweden, Norway, Finland, Germany); member of expert committees to evaluate applications of promotion to associate professor (docent)/ senior lecturer/post-doc, about 20 times (Sweden, Norway, Finland); Chairman of the Board of Appointment (Läraryörelsen) and the Board of Promotion (Docentnämnden) at the School of Business, Economics and Law 2003-2009. Member of research evaluation panels in Denmark, Norway, Finland and China at several occasions, as well as in the Uppsala Quality and Renewal (KoF) Research Assessment in 2007, 2011 and 2017. Evaluator for VINNOVA, STINT, Mistra, Sida, Östersjöstiftelsen, Ragnar Söderberg Foundation etc.

Awards

2014: The "Pro Studio et Scientia" medal, awarded by the School of Business, Economics and Law "För att med förutsättningslös nyfikenhet och aldrig sinande energi ha förenat en bred akademisk excellens med ett starkt samhällsintresse och globala perspektiv, och härigenom utvecklat forskning och utbildning vid Handelshögskolan i sant nyskapande banor".

2016: 'Gränsöverskridande: Vänbok till Claes G. Alvstam'. Ed. by Linda Berg, Inge Ivarsson, Rutger Lindahl and Patrik Ström. Centrum för Europaforskning vid Göteborgs universitet (CERGU), Skrift Nr. 30, 303 pp.

Main publications since 2004

(earlier publications, see Swedish CV)

Articles in peer-review journals

Ivarsson, I. and Alvstam, C.G., 2004a, 'International Technology Transfer to Local Suppliers by Volvo Trucks in India'. *Tijdschrift voor Economische en Sociale Geografie*, Vol. 95, No 1, pp. 27-43.

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Lindberg, L. and Alvstam, C.G., 2007, 'The National Element in Regional Trade Agreements. The Role of Southeast Asian Countries in ASEAN-EU Trade'. *ASEAN Economic Bulletin*, Vol. 24, No. 2, August. Singapore: ISEAS, pp. 267-275.

Alvstam, C.G. – Ström, P. – Yoshino, N., 2009a, 'On the economic interdependence Between China and Japan – challenges and possibilities'. *Asia Pacific Viewpoint*, Vol. 50, No. 2, pp. 198-214.

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Ivarsson, I - Alvstam, C.G., 2011, 'Upgrading in Global Value-Chains: A Case Study of Technology-Learning among IKEA Suppliers in China and South East Asia'. *Journal of Economic Geography*, Vol. 11, No 4, pp. 731-52.

- Lindberg, L. – Alvstam, C.G., 2012, 'The ambiguous role of the WTO in times of stalled multilateral negotiations for and proliferating free trade agreements in Asia'. *The International Negotiations Journal*, Vol. 17, No. 1, pp. 165-89.
- Ivarsson, I – Alvstam, C.G., 2013a, 'Embedded Internationalization: How small- and medium-sized Swedish companies use business-network relations with Western customers to establish own manufacturing in China'. *Asian Business & Management*, Vol. 12, No. 5, pp. 565-89.
- Dolles, H., Alvstam, C.G. and Ström, P., 2013b 'The changing competitive landscape in Euro-Asia business'. *Asian Journal of Research in Business Economics and Management*, Vol. 12, pp. 499-502.
- Alvstam, C.G., 2015a, 'Global shifts in the geography of intercontinental seaborne transport – new challenges for multilateralism'? *Svenska Sjörettsföreningen Skrifter*, 83. Swedish Maritime Law Association, pp. 27-43.
- Alvstam, C.G., Johansson, B. and Jonsson, A., 2015b, 'Neglect – Awakening – Fashion – Normality – and next? One hundred years of Swedish economic and business studies of East Asia'. *Orientaliska Studier*, No. 142, pp. 40-57.
- Ström, P., Alvstam, C.G., and Jones, A., 2016, 'Multilatinas and the growing service economy in Latin America: A Challenge for EU-Latin American business relations'. *European Review of Service Management/Revue européenne d'économie et management des services*, No. 1, pp. 175-197.
- Alvstam, C.G., Kettunen, E. and Ström, P., 2017a, 'The service sector in the free-trade agreement between the EU and Singapore: closing the gap between policy and business realities'. *Asia Europe Journal*, Vol. 15, No. 1, pp. 75-105.
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- Ivarsson, I. and Alvstam, C.G., 2017c, 'New technology development by Swedish MNEs in emerging markets: the role of co-location of R&D and production'. *Asian Business and Management*. Vol. 16, No. 1-2, pp. 92-116.
- Alvstam, C.G., 2018a, 'From the American Manufacturing Belt to Spatial Clustering in Transnational Networks'. *Geografiska Annaler, Series B*, Vol. 100, No. 3, pp. 300-307.
- Vahlne, J-E, Ivarsson, I. and Alvstam, C.G., 2018b, 'Are Multinational Enterprises in Retreat? The internationalization and globalization processes of Swedish MNEs continues unabatedly'. *Multinational Business Review*, Vol. 26, No. 2, pp. 94-110.
- Alvstam, C.G., Ivarsson, I. and Petersen, B., 2020 'Are Multinationals from Emerging Markets Configuring Global Value Chains in New Ways?' *International Journal of Emerging Markets*. Vol. 15, No. 1, pp. 111-130.

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Alvstam, C.G. and Schamp, E.W. (eds.), 2005, *Linking Industries Across the World: New Challenges to the Global Economy*. Aldershot: Ashgate, 305 pp.

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Ivarsson, I. and Alvstam, C.G., 2008, 'Global production and trade systems: the Volvo case'. In: P. Pellenburg, and Wever, E., (eds.) *International Business Geography: Case studies of corporate firms. Routledge Studies in International Business and the World Economy*, Routledge; London and New York, pp. 61-82.

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Alvstam, C.G., 2014, 'Kjellén som geograf' In: Edström, B., Björk, R. and Lundén, T. (eds.), *Rudolf Kjellén: Geopolitiken och konservatismen*. Stockholm: Hjalmarson & Högberg Bokförlag, pp. 55-81.

Alvstam, C.G., 2014, 'Sveriges utrikeshandel med den Europeiska Unionen – före och efter medlemskapet'. In: Berg, L. and Lindahl, R. (eds.) *Förhoppningar och farhågor – Sveriges första 20 år i EU*. Göteborg: Centum för Europaforskning vid Göteborgs universitet, pp. 197-216.

Alvstam, C.G., Ström, P. and Wentrup, R., 2016, 'Heterogenous economic space in a global archipelago: An economic geography perspective of emerging markets'. In: Merchant, H. (ed.), *Handbook of Contemporary Research on Emerging Markets*. Cheltenham, UK: Edward Elgar Publishers, pp. 38-61.

Alvstam, C.G. and Ivarsson, I., 2017, 'Becoming a National Champion, yet Remaining a Global Player: The Acquisition of Volvo Car by Zhejiang Geely'. In: Fuchs, M., Henn, S., Franz, M. and Mudambi, R. (eds.), *Managing Culture and Interspace in Cross-Border Investments: Building a Global Company*. New York and Abingdon: Routledge, pp. 61-69.

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Recent popular articles

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Recent reports

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Ivarsson, I. – Alvstam, C.G, 'Research on Swedish TNCs and their suppliers in Asia and Latin America'. *Paper presented at the conference on Industrial Co-Development: Comparing MNC manufacturing strategies in China and their recursive effects on home country production*. University of Chicago Beijing Center, Beijing, July 13-16, 2011.

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