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Stella van Rijn was born in Rotterdam and started her professional career in journalism in 1986. She worked for the Dutch National News Agency ANP, and relocated to the Caribbean in 1990, as a correspondent for Dutch media. In 1995 she was editor-in-chief and co-initiator of a new, and still successful newspaper in Curação.

In 1998 she started a second professional career with her own consultancy firm, with assignments in the field of change management and communication. She was also director of the Antillean Contractors Association, and projectdirector of a platform for the labor market (Plataforma Kòrsou na Trabou), and co-initiator and editor of "Coaching", a professional magazine for managers.

In the scientific and academic arena Stella obtained an MBA in 2002 and held an interim position as Dean at the University of Curacao in 2010, and has also taught several courses at this university. In 2017 she obtained her PhD at Nyenrode Business University, with her dissertation about Transformative Governance for the Knowledge Democracy.