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RESEARCH INTERESTS

Economics of education, labour economics, sports economics

EDUCATION

2017–present PhD in Economics, Ghent University
Doctoral guidance committee: Stijn Baert (supervisor), Lieven De Marez (co-supervisor), Tammy Schellens, and Sunčica Vujić.

2015–2016 Master in Economics, Ghent University

2011–2014 Bachelor in Economics, Ghent University

WORK EXPERIENCE

2017 Lecturer Introductory Economics, Howest University of Applied Sciences

2016-2017 Junior Associate Financial Auditing, PwC Belgium

SKILLS

Computer

Stata Good
SPSS Good
Microsoft Office Good

Languages

Dutch Native
English Fluent
French Basic

ACADEMIC TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Teaching

09/12/2019	Guest lecture on labour economics (Ghent University)
08/11/2019	Introductory economics (Ghent University)
19/11/2018	Guest lecture on labour economics (Ghent University)
05/11/2018	Guest lecture on labour economics (Ghent University)
11/12/2017	Guest lecture on labour economics (Ghent University)
27/11/2017	Guest lecture on sports economics (Howest University of Applied Sciences)

Student supervision (master theses)

2019–2020	Jens Van Hoecke
2018–2019	Yoika De Pauw
2017–2018	Cedric De Schrijver, Frederik Van Nuffel, Maarten Vandemaele, Benoit Luyts, and Thomas Ingelaere

ACADEMIC RESEARCH ACTIVITIES

Publications

No better moment to score a goal than just before half time? A soccer myth statistically tested (with S. Baert), 2018, *PLoS One*, 13(3), e0194255.

No evidence for second leg home advantage in recent seasons of European soccer cups (with S. Baert, B. Neyt, and M. Vandemaele), 2019, *Applied Economics Letters*.

Smartphone use and academic performance: Correlation or causal relationship? (with S. Baert, S. Vujic, M. Claeskens, T. Daman, A. Maeckelberghe, E. Omeij, and L. De Marez), 2020, *Kyklos*, 73(1), 22–49.

Yawning while scrolling? Examining gender differences in the association between smartphone use and sleep quality (with S. Vujic, P. Soffers, and S. Baert), forthcoming, *Journal of Sleep Research*.

Manuscripts under (re)submission

Smartphone use and academic performance: First evidence from longitudinal data (with S. Vujic, L. De Marez, and S. Baert). GLO Discussion Paper of the Month December 2019.

Smartphone use and academic performance: a literature review (with S. Baert).

The right man in the right place? Substitutions and goal-scoring in soccer (with B. Neyt, F. Van Nuffel, and S. Baert).

Referee reports

New Media and Society, *Applied Economics Letters*, Spring Meeting of Young Economists

International conference presentations

2018	European Association of Young Economists, Palma de Mallorca (Spain)
2018	European Society for Population Economics, Antwerp (Belgium)
2019	Young Economists' Meeting, Brno (Czech Republic)
2019	6 th PhD Workshop in Empirical Economics, Potsdam (Germany)
2019	European Association of Labour Economists, Uppsala (Sweden)

National conference presentations

2018 Belgian Day of Labour Economists, Charleroi
2018 FEB research day (Ghent University), Ghent
2018 LEER conference on education economics, Leuven

Mentions in international press

04/12/2019 'Get off your phone! Study finds students who use their mobile 'intensely' at university get lower grades and are more likely to FAIL their exams, Daily Mail, dailymail.co.uk
24/06/2019 'There is NO advantage to playing the second fixture of a double-legged football match at home, study finds', Daily Mail, dailymail.co.uk
12/03/2018 'Academics run rings around football pundits' cherished cliché', The Times, p. 9.
07/05/2016 'Myth busted: net voor rust scoren werkt averechts', NOS op 3.

Mentions in national press

13/11/2019 'Nadenken over smartphone op school', De Morgen, p. 5
12/11/2019 'Wie smartphone veel gebruikt op school, presteert minder goed', Het Belang van Limburg, hbvl.be
12/11/2019 'Vlaamse regering moet nadenken over smartphonegebruik op school', Knack, knack.be
12/11/2019 'Vlaamse regering moet nadenken over smartphonegebruik op school', Metro Time, metrotime.be
12/11/2019 'Wie smartphone veel gebruikt op school, presteert minder goed: "Vlaamse regering moet nadenken, dit kan probleem zijn"', Het Nieuwsblad, nieuwsblad.be
08/06/2019 'Smartphone houdt vooral vrouwelijke studenten wakker', Het Belang van Limburg, p. 13.
07/06/2019 'Studenten die smartphone intens gebruiken slapen minder én slechter', Het Laatste Nieuws, Het Laatste Nieuws, hln.be.
07/06/2019 'Vrouwelijke studenten die smartphone intensief gebruiken slapen minder goed', VRTNWS, vrtnws.be.
07/06/2019 'Waarom vooral vrouwelijke studenten 's nachts minder goed slapen door hun smartphone', Het Nieuwsblad, nieuwsblad.be.
29/03/2018 'Mythes en wetenschap', Trends, p.83.
09/01/2018 'Vaak met smartphone bezig zijn, bezorgt je lagere punten', Metro NL, p. 5.
09/01/2018 'Smartphone kost punten, op kot gaan levert er op', Het Laatste Nieuws, p. 8.
09/01/2018 'Trop de smartphone, notes en baisse', L'Avenir, p. 8.

Radio and television interviews

07/06/2019 Journaal, één.
07/06/2019 Nieuws, Radio 1; Radio 2; Studio Brussel; MNM.