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Academic Appointments

Post-Doctoral Researcher

FWO / Research Group Gaspar

Ghent University

Nov 2024 - Oct 2027

- Junior Postdoctoral Fellowship (FWO Grant)
- Title of the project: Are mainstream parties still appealing? An empirical investigation of the use and effectiveness of Social Group Appeals and Policy Appeals in West-European Mainstream Parties

Pre-Doctoral Researcher

FWO / Research Group Gaspar

Ghent University

Nov 2020 – Oct 2024

- PhD Fellowship Fundamental Research (FWO Grant)
- Title of the project: From hero to zero, and back? The causes and consequences of party reforms
- Supervisors: Bram Wauters and Anna Kern
- External members of the committee: William Cross, Ruth Dassonneville, Markus Wagner

Visiting Researcher

Canada Research Chair in Electoral Democracy

Université de Montréal

Winter 2023

- Host: Ruth Dassonneville

Visiting Researcher

Department of Political Science

University of Innsbruck

Spring 2025

- Host: Hauke Licht

Education

Ghent University

MSc. in Political Science

Sept 2019 – June 2020

- Thesis: The electoral success of combination of party strategies in Flemish historical mainstream parties

Ghent University

B.S. in Political Science

Sept 2016 – June 2019

Research Interests




Party Competition: mainstream parties, voting behaviour, party ideology, policy shifts, party reforms, social group appeals

Methods: Survey experiments, conjoint experiments, Qualitative Comparative Analysis, secondary data analyses

Publications

Luypaert, J., Wauters, B., & Kern, A. (2024). Reform to perform? Electoral effects of programmatic change among mainstream parties in combination with a new party leader. *Political Studies Review*.
<https://doi.org/10.1177/14789299241276387> [🔗](#)

Luypaert, J. (2024). Navigating new realities: Explaining programmatic transitions of mainstream and niche parties. *International Political Science Review*, 01925121241237524.
<https://doi.org/10.1177/01925121241237524> [🔗](#)

- Wauters, B., De Smedt, N., Goutry, W., & Luypaert, J. (2024). Opening doors to more intra-party democracy? Local politicians' perspectives on including voters in candidate selection processes in Flanders (Belgium). *Acta Politica*, 1-22.
<https://doi.org/10.1057/s41269-024-00359-1> 
- Luypaert, J., & Legein, T. (2024). When do parties reform? Causes of programmatic-, organizational- and personnel party reforms in the Belgian mainstream parties. *Acta Politica*, 59, 42–76.
[10.1057/s41269-022-00280-5](https://doi.org/10.1057/s41269-022-00280-5) 
- Luypaert, J., Lingier, L., Bouteica, N., Vandeleene, A., & Wauters, B. (2022). How many captains for a ship on electoral drift? Limiting the number of leadership candidates in the Flemish Christian-democratic party (CD&V). *Frontiers in Political Science*, 4, 1068207.
<https://doi.org/10.3389/fpos.2022.1068207> 

Book Chapters

- Luypaert, J., de Vet, B., & Wauters, B. (2021). L' Open VLD. In P. Delwit & É. van Haute (Eds.), *Les partis politiques en Belgique* (4th ed., pp. 253–273). Bruxelles: Éditions de l'Université de Bruxelles.

Work in Progress

- Luypaert, J. How do parties reform their political product?
- Luypaert, J. Balancing an Ideological Trade-Off: Electoral Appeal of Consistent and Responsive Party Positions. *Under Review*.
- Marini, S., Lingier, L., Luypaert, J. & Wagner, M. Voter reactions to party policy shifts: evidence from a conjoint experiment.
- Wauters, B., & Luypaert, J. Parties' representation of citizens. In Bolin, N., & Hagevi, M. (Editors). *A Research Agenda for Political Parties*. Elgar Research Agendas.

Teaching

Guest-Lecturer

Course: Parties and Party Systems
 (MA level)
 Ghent University

Dec 2024

Guest-Lecturer

Course: Practicum in Politics
 (Professional BA level)
 KdG Hogeschool

Feb 2024/2025

Instructor

Course: Master Thesis' seminar
 (MA-level)
 Ghent University

Sep 2024 - June 2025

Lecturer

Course: Elections and Political Representation
 Ghent University

Feb - June 2022/2023

(Co-)Supervisor and Jury Member

9 Master theses, 3 Bachelor theses
 Ghent University

June 2021- June 2025

Member of PhD guidance committee

Nov 2024- Oct 2028

PhD Student: Thor Geunens
Ghent University

Additional Training

ECPR Method School (Virtual)
Introduction to R
Introduction to Inferential Statistics
Applied Regression Analyses

March 2021
February 2022
February 2022

ECPR Summer School on Political Parties (Aarhus)

August 2021

Doctoral Schools (Ghent University)
Experimental Methods in the Social Sciences
Causality in Quantitative Research

June 2023
December 2024

Komex Methods School (Konstanz)
Text-as-Data Methods in Python

February 2025

Conference and Workshop Presentations

EPSA
Madrid

2025

The Political Psychology of Party Credibility
Cologne

2024

MZES Workshop: Current Perspectives on Party Competition
Mannheim

2024

MPSA Annual Conference
Chicago

2023

ECPR General Conference
Virtual, Innsbruck

2021, 2022

ECPR Summer School on Political Parties
Aarhus

2021

ECPR Joint Sessions Workshop "New Parties – New Party Members?"
Virtual

2021

Belgium - State of the Federation
Brussels, Virtual

2019, 2020, 2021

Grants, Fellowships and Awards

Els Witte PhD Award

2025

- Obtained from NKPW and VPW
- Award for best doctoral thesis in Belgium and The Netherlands
- 1000 euros

Grant Junior Post-Doctoral Fellowship Fundamental Research

2024-2027

- Obtained from FWO
- Three-year fully funded grant with bench fee
- +- 200 000 euros

Grant PhD Fellowship Fundamental Research

2020-2024

- Obtained from FWO
- Four-year fully funded grant with bench fee
- +- 160 000 euros

Grant Research Stay Innsbruck

2025

- Obtained from FWO
- +-3000 euros to cover the travel costs

Grants Research Stay Montréal

2023

- Obtained from Faculty Research Fund and Faculty Mobility Fund (Ghent University)
- Two times 1500 euros to cover the travel costs

Outreach

Luypaert, J., Kern, A., & Wauters, B. (2023, June 29). Nieuwe partijvoorzitter garandeert allesbehalve electoraal succes. *De Tijd*.

Luypaert, J. (2025). Mainstreampartijen op drift: kan partijverandering hun reddingsboei zijn? *Samenleving & Politiek*, 32(5), 62–67.

Luypaert, J. (2024, May 8). De flinkse lijn van Vooruit: tactische meesterzet of risicovolle misstap? *De Morgen*.
Luypaert, J. (2019). Teloorgang van de traditionele partijen. *Samenleving en Politiek*, 26(8), 55-61.

Workshops 'Ideology and coalition formation' for secondary school students and secondary school teachers

Skills

- **Languages:** Dutch (native speaker), English (advanced), French (basic)
- **Software and tools:** Python, R, fsQCA, Tosmana, NVivo, MSOffice, Latex

References

Bram Wauters

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Anna Kern

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Ruth Dassonneville

Full professor at Catholic University Leuven, former chairholder of the Canada Research Chair in Electoral Democracy
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