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Postdoctoral Researcher

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Current professional situation and previous position

Sep 2020 - Present Postdoctoral Researcher

Netherlands Institute for the Study of Crime and Law Enforcement (NSCR) & Center of

Expertise Cyber Security, The Hague University of Applied Sciences

Oct 2017 - Jul 2020 PhD Candidate (Research Personnel in Training - FPU16/01671)

Sep 2016 - Sep 2017 Junior Researcher

Crímina Research Centre for the Study and Prevention of Crime, Miguel Hernandez

University

Education

Degrees

2017 - 2020 PhD in Criminology (Intl., Hons.)
 2016 - 2017 MSc in Crime Analysis and Prevention
 Miguel Hernandez University

Miguet Herriandez Univ

2011 - 2016 BA in Criminology

University of Salamanca

Language proficiency

Spanish (native), English (C2), Dutch (B1), French (A2)

Research

My research focuses on the human factors involved in how, when, and where cybercrime occur. I rely mainly on quantitative methods and data science, and I enjoy collaborating with researchers from other disciplines as well as with practitioners and professionals. The purpose of my research is twofold: to generate knowledge to better understand cybercrime, and to find solutions to reduce it or mitigate its impact.

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Peer-reviewed publications

Doctoral thesis

2020 Moneva, A. Cyber Places, Crime Patterns, and Cybercrime Prevention: An Environmental Criminology and Crime Analysis approach through Data Science

Miguel Hernandez University

Journal articles (16)

1. Moneva, A., & Leukfeldt, E. R. The effect of online ad campaigns on DDoS-attacks: A cross-national difference-in-differences quasi-experiment

Criminology & Public Policy, 22(4), 869-894

Impact: The findings of this paper have been discussed within Operation PowerOFF, a joint international law enforcement operation. The research has also informed an international cybercrime prevention strategy, under the InterCOPS network, led by the Cyber Offender Prevention Squad (COPS), High Tech Crime Team (THTC), of the Netherlands Police.

2. Moneva, A., & Leukfeldt, E. R. Insider Threats Among Dutch SMEs: Nature and Extent of Incidents, and Cyber Security Measures

Journal of Criminology

3. Van de Weijer, S. G. A., & Moneva, A. Familial concentration of crime in a digital era: Criminal behavior among family members of cyber offenders

Computers in Human Behavior Reports, 8

- 4. Bekkers, L. M. J., Moneva, A., & Leukfeldt, E. R. Understanding cybercrime involvement: A quasi-experiment on engagement with money mule recruitment ads on Instagram *Journal of Experimental Criminology*
- 5. Moneva, A., Leukfeldt, E. R., & Klijnsoon, W. Alerting Consciences to Reduce Cybercrime: A Quasi-experimental Design Using Warning Banners

Journal of Experimental Criminology, 19, 835-862

Impact: This paper guided the design of a national cybercrime prevention strategy, based on online ad campaigns, implemented by the Cyber Offender Prevention Squad (COPS), High Tech Crime Team (THTC), of the Netherlands Police. Five other European countries have subsequently implemented similar campaigns under the scrutiny of Europol and Interpol.

6. Moneva, A., Leukfeldt, E. R., van de Weijer, S. G. A., & Miró-Llinares, F. Repeat victimization by website defacement: An empirical test of premises from an environmental criminology perspective

Computers in Human Behavior, 126

- 7. Kemp, S., Buil-Gil, D., Moneva, A., Miro-Llinares, F., & Diaz-Castano, N. Empty streets, busy Internet. A time series analysis of cybercrime and fraud trends during COVID-19

 Journal of Contemporary Criminal Justice, 37(4), 480-501
- 8. Buil-Gil, D., Miró-Llinares, F., Moneva, A., Kemp, S., & Díaz-Castaño, N. Cybercrime and shifts in opportunities during COVID-19: a preliminary analysis in the UK *European Societies*, 23(sup1), S47-S59

Impact: This paper was included as further reading in the "Debate Pack Number CDP 2021/0064" about protecting consumers from online scams that was held in the UK House of Commons on 28 April 2021

- 9. Moneva, A., Miró-Llinares, F., & Hart, T. C. Hunter or prey? Exploring the situational profiles that define repeated online harassment victims and offenders *Deviant Behavior*, 42(11), 1366-1381
- 10. Kemp, S., Miró-Llinares, F., & Moneva, A. The dark figure and the cyber fraud rise in Europe. Evidence from Spain

European Journal of Criminal Policy and Research, 26, 293-312

11. Kemp, S., & Moneva, A. Comparing correlates of offline and online fraud victimisation and impacts

InDret: Revista para el Análisis del Derecho, 20(1), 424-444

2019 12. Moneva, A., & Caneppele, S. 100% sure bets? Exploring the precipitation-control strategies of fixed-match informing websites and the environmental features of their networks

Crime, Law and Social Change, 74, 115-133

- 13. Miró-Llinares, F., & Moneva, A. What about cyberspace (and cybercrime alongside it)? A reply to Farrell and Birks "Did cybercrime cause the crime drop?" *Crime Science*, 8(12), 1-5
- 14. Esteve, Z., Moneva, A., & Miró-Llinares, F. Can metadata be used to measure the anonymity of Twitter users? Results of a Confirmatory Factor Analysis International e-Journal of Criminal Sciences, 13, 1-16

2018 15. Miró-Llinares, F., Moneva, A., & Esteve, M. Hate is in the air! But where? Introducing an algorithm to detect hate speech in digital microenvironments

Crime Science, 7(15), 1-12

Impact: A version of this algorithm was incorporated into ModeRad, an artificial intelligence system developed for the H2020 Project PERICLES (740773) to detect violent and radical messages on Twitter.

16. Hart, T. C., & Moneva, A. Conjunctive Analysis of Case Configurations: an introduction to Configural Thinking

Revista Española de Investigación Criminológica, 16, 1-19

Book chapters (4)

202X 1. Moneva, A., Leukfeldt, E. R., & Romagna, M. Fieldwork Experiences Researching Cybercriminals

In A. Diaz, C. Del-Real & L. Molnar (Eds.), Fieldwork Experiences in Criminology and Security: Methods, Ethics, and Emotions

- 2023 2. Hart, T. C., Moneva, A., & Esteve, M. Conjunctive Analysis of Case Configurations
 In C. Haberman & E. Groff (Eds.), *The Study of Crime and Place: A Methods Handbook* (pp. 287-297).
 Temple University Press
- 3. Moneva, A. The Annual Conference on the Human Factor in Cybercrime: An analysis of participation in the 2018 and 2019 meetings
 In M. Weulen Kranenbarg & E. R. Leukfeldt (Eds.), Cybercrime in context: the human factor in victimization, offending, and policing (pp. 5-17). Springer, Cham
- 2019 4. Miró-Llinares, F., & Moneva, A. Environmental Criminology and Cybercrime: Shifting Focus from the Wine to the Bottles

In T. J. Holt & A. Bossler (Eds.), *The Palgrave Handbook of International Cybercrime and Cyberdeviance* (pp. 491-511). Palgrave Macmillan, Cham

Technical reports (1)

2019 1. Rabasa Dolado, A., Miró-Llinares, F., Esteve, M., Castro-Toledo, F. J., & Moneva, A. ModeRad. Modelling and Classifying Radical Content on Twitter

Crímina Research Centre for the Study and Prevention of Crime at Miguel Hernandez University.

European Commission

Other publications

- 2021 Moneva, A., & Schiks, J. What works in situational cybercrime prevention? Factsheet. NSCR
- 2020 Buil-Gil, D., Moneva, A., Kemp, S., Díaz-Castaño, N., & Miró-Llinares, F. Recorded Cybercrime and Fraud Trends in UK during COVID-19

 Statistical Bulletin on Crime and COVID-19. University of Leeds

Software

2022 Moneva, A., Esteve, M., & Hart, T. C. cacc: Conjunctive Analysis of Case Configurations. R package version 0.1.0

The Comprehensive R Archive Network (CRAN)

Research visits

Oct 2019 - Dec 2019 Research Personnel in Training (FPU16/01671)

Netherlands Institute for the Study of Crime and Law Enforcement (NSCR)

Jan 2019 - Feb 2019 Research Personnel in Training (FPU16/01671)

École des sciences criminelles, Université de Lausanne

Presentations

Oral communications (52)

2023 1. The effect of online ad campaigns on cybercrime

ONE Conference 2023

2. Analyzing interest in booter services and DDoS attacks: Insight from Google search data

- 3. Pathways into cybercrime: social opportunities, criminal careers, and the intertwinement of crime
- 4. Examining ransomware payment decision-making among SMEs

5th Annual Conference on the Human Factor in Cybercrime

- 5. Examining ransomware payment decision-making among SMEs
- 6. Cybercrime-as-a-Service Markets and IoT Devices: Expert Insights
- 7. Origin, Growth, and Structure of (Cyber)criminal Youth Networks in a Digitizing Society 23rd Annual Conference of the European Society of Criminology
- 8. The effect of online ad campaigns on cybercrime: A cross-national difference-indifferences quasi-experiment

Cambridge Cybercrime Centre: 6th Annual Cybercrime Conference

9. Who searches for DDoS-attacks and what do they exactly search for?

The Cybersecurity Revolution (SECREV2023)

10. Een quasi-experimenteel onderzoek op Google

Wat werkt? Evidence-Based Policing in Nederland

- 2022 11. Hacking efficiency: online mobility and the least effort principle
 - 12. Does one ad a day keep cybercrime at bay?
 - 13. Examining risk profiles for cybercrime victimization

4th Annual Conference on the Human Factor in Cybercrime

14. Do online ad campaigns reduce DDoS?

Research Seminar on Contemporary Cybercrime

15. Do online ads reduce DDoS attacks?

Cyber Resilience Symposium of the Center of Expertise Cyber Security

- 16. Hacker mobility in cyberspace and the least effort principle
- 17. Examining risk profiles for cybercrime victimization
- 18. Does one ad a day keep cybercrime at bay?
- 19. Telegram stolen data markets: crime script and interventions

22nd Annual Conference of the European Society of Criminology

20. Hacker mobility in cyberspace and the least effort principle

ECCA 2022 Environmental Criminology and Crime Analysis Symposium

- 21. Does one ad a day keep cybercrime at bay?
- 22. Telegram stolen data markets: Crime script and interventions
- 23. Hacker mobility in cyberspace and the least effort principle
- 24. Risicoprofielen voor slachtofferschap van cybercriminaliteit
- 25. Online ronselen van money mules: Een quasi-experiment op Instagram

Nederlandse Vereniging voor Criminologie (NVC) congres 2022

26. Towards an evaluation of the effect of online ad campaigns on DDoS attacks

The Cybersecurity Revolution (SECREV2022)

27. Insider threats among Dutch SMEs: typology, incidence, frequency, consequences, and cyber security policies

3rd Annual Conference on the Human Factor in Cybercrime

28. Alerting conscience to reduce DDoS attacks against the gaming industry: A quasi-experimental design

2021 American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting

29. Alerting conscience to reduce DDoS attacks against the gaming industry. A quasi-experimental design using Google Ads

Nederlandse Vereniging voor Criminologie (NVC) online congres 2021

- **30.** How to alert consciences to prevent DDoS-ers from targeting the gaming industry? The Cybersecurity Revolution (SECREV2021)
- 31. Alerting Consciences to Reduce DDoS Attacks: A Quasi-experimental Design Using Warning Banners
- 32. Insider threats among Dutch SMEs: typology, incidence, frequency, consequences, and cyber security policies
- 33. Empty streets, busy internet. A time series analysis of cybercrime and fraud trends during COVID-19

- 21st Annual Conference of the European Society of Criminology
- 2020 34. Public demonstrations in Twitter: Identifying metadata for disinformation
 - 35. Shifts in opportunities and cybercrime during COVID-19: A preliminary analysis in the UK 20th Annual Conference of the European Society of Criminology
 - 36. How to apply Environmental Criminology and Crime Analysis to reduce cybercrime?
 - 37. Examining the relationship between data leaks and website characteristics
 - 38. Repeat victimization by website defacement: A test of environmental criminology premises for cybercrime

Cybercrime Online Conference

2019 39. Hunter or prey? Exploring the situational profiles that define online harassment repeat victims and offenders

2nd Annual Conference on the Human Factor in Cybercrime

- 40. "Fear in 280 characters". A new methodological approach for real-time evaluation of fear of crime on Twitter
- 41. "100% sure fixed matches": Exploring the environmental design of match-fixing websites and their networks
- 42. Who defrauds the fraudster? Exploring the profiles of vendors of match-fixed results in dark markets
- 43. Crime trends, Information Technologies, and crime opportunities: two hypotheses to help explain the crime drop

19th Annual Conference of the European Society of Criminology

44. Análisis del delito en entornos urbanos

IV Simposio de Investigación Criminológica

45. Hunter or prey? Exploring the situational profiles that define online harassment victims and offenders

Joint Conference ECCA 2019 Environmental Criminology and Crime Analysis Symposium & 6th Crime Geography and Crime Analysis

- 2018 46. Hunter or prey? An analysis of cyberstalking situational profiles and their preferred places
 - **47.** Anonymity-Publicity Index (API): an empirical classification of exposure of online users 18th Annual Conference of the European Society of Criminology
 - 48. ¡El odio está en el aire! Pero ¿dónde?
 - 49. ¿Cazador o presa? Un análisis de los perfiles situacionales del ciberacoso y sus lugares predilectos
 - 50. Anonymity-Publicity Index (API). Una clasificación empírica de la exposición de los usuarios online

XII Congreso Español del Criminología

51. Hate is in the air! But where? Introducing an algorithm to detect hate speech in digital microenvironments

ECCA 2018 Environmental Criminology and Crime Analysis Symposium

2017 52. Spatio-temporal analysis of terrorism in Africa. An approach to estimate crime using Geographic Information Systems

III Simposio de Investigación Criminológica

Posters

2018 100% sure fixed matches. Exploring the environmental features on alleged fixed sport matches websites and their networks

IV Simposio de Investigación Criminológica

Invited talks (9)

2023 1. Online ad campaigns against cybercrime: The Dutch approach

Seminar by Digital Futures & Department of Criminology, University of Manchester

2. Online ad campaigns against cybercrime: The Dutch approach

Sprint - Operation PowerOFF by Europol

- 3. Stolen data markets on Telegram: crime script and situational crime prevention measures 2023 INTERSCT Conference on cyber security of Internet-of-Things
- 2022 4. Si Zaragoza no se rinde, yo tampoco!

Ciencias y Vivencias en Países Bajos by Spanish Scientists in the Netherlands (CENL)

5. One ad a day keeps cybercrime at bay

Interdisciplinary Conference on Cybercrime by School of Criminal Justice, University of Michigan

6. Using online ads to reduce cyber-attacks: lessons learned and future directions 2022 INTERSCT Conference on cyber security of Internet-of-Things

2021 7. Research Dutch Google Adwords campaign

EMPACT 3.1 Workshop by Cyber Offender Prevention Squad (COPS), Netherlands Police

8. Factores humanos e institucionales en el cibercrimen y la ciberseguridad

Seminar by Centro de Investigación para la Gobernanza Global & Programa de Doctorado en Estado de Derecho y Gobernanza Global, University of Salamanca

9. Alerting conscience to reduce DDoS attacks against the gaming industry: A quasi-experimental design using Google Ads

Research lunch by Centre of Expertise Cyber Security, The Hague University of Applied Sciences

Organization

2023 The Cyber Security Revolution (SECREV)

2022 The Cyber Security Revolution (SECREV)

Co-organizer from The Hague University of Applied Sciences, online

Funding

Personal grants

2023 - 2027	Veni grant - NWO Talent Programme (VI.Veni.221R.024)	€279,841
2017 - 2020	Dutch Research Council (NWO) Grants for the training of university staff (FPU16/01671) Spanish Ministry of Education, Culture and Sports; and Spanish Ministry of Science, Innovation and Universities	€65,688
2019 - 2019	Mobility grants for short stays and temporary transfers (EST18/00043) Spanish Ministry of Science, Innovation and Universities	€3,060
Consortium grants		
2022 - 2023	Programma Politie en Wetenschap (PW/OV/2023/27.10) Netherlands Police	€101.060

Teaching experience

My teaching areas include introductory criminology, environmental criminology, cybercrime, and research methods. I completed the Initial Training Program in University Teaching (PFIDU), the Spanish equivalent of the Basis Kwalificatie Onderwijs (BKO). I am also a certified Carpentries Instructor qualified to teach the core curriculum of Data Carpentry, Library Carpentry, and Software Carpentry.

Undergraduate courses

2018 - 2020	Introduction to Criminology
	[08030] BA in Public Safety and Private Security, Miguel Hernandez University
2018 - 2019	Violent communication and hate speech in cyberspace
	[12963] MA in Cybercrime, International University of Catalonia

Guest lectures

2022 Crime, Safety & Security

[SSMS-CSS-22] BA in Safety and Security Management Studies, The Hague University of Applied Sciences Cyberattacks, Crime and Defenses

[2IMS20] MSc Information Security Technology, Eindhoven University of Technology

2021 Crime, Safety & Security

[SSMS-CSS-21] BA in Safety and Security Management Studies, The Hague University of Applied Sciences New criminological theories and cybercrime

[51GCRI] BA in Criminology and Security Sciences, Valencian International University

2020 Financial crime, white collar crime and digital systems

[UCIL20132] Trust & Security in a Digital World: From Fake News to Cybercriminals, University College for Interdisciplinary Learning at University of Manchester

2019 Organised crime

[21099] BA in Criminology and Public Policies for Prevention, Pompeu Fabra University

2019 Fighting hate crime

[10454] Summer course, Miguel Hernandez University

Workshops

2023 R for Social Scientists

Data Carpentry & NSC-R Workshops & NWO-I Digital Competence Center (DCC)

TidvTuesdav

Learning to learn R

NSC-R Workshops

2022 Using R for Reproducible Social Science

NSC-R Workshops & NWO-I Digital Competence Center (DCC)

cacc: Conjunctive Analysis of Case Configurations

TidyTuesday NSC-R Workshops

2021 RMarkdown

NSC-R Workshops

2020 Análisis Conjunto de Configuraciones de Caso (CACC)

#YHLQMDLG: talleres metodológicos para la investigación empírica en Criminología y Derecho penal

Supervision of students

2023 - present	2 interns mentored	Ditchev, L., & Verhofstadt, L.
2022 - present	1 PhD student supervised	Kool, H.
	Netherlands Institute for the Study of Crime and Law En	forcement (NSCR)
2022 - 2023	1 junior researcher supervised	Garkava, T.
	1 intern mentored	Janssen, T.
2021 - present	1 PhD student supervised	Loggen, J.
2021 - 2022	1 junior researcher supervised	Boeken, J.
	1 intern mentored	Garkava, T.
2020 - 2021	1 intern mentored	Folkers, W.
	Center of Expertise Cyber Security, The Hague Universit	y of Applied Sciences
2018 - 2019	1 MSc thesis supervised	Modesto-Castrillon, C.
	[03235] MSc in Crime Analysis and Prevention, Miguel He	ernandez University

Service

Professional affiliations

2023 - present Member

Cyber Offender Prevention: Academia (ACOP), Netherlands Police

Member of the ESC Working Group European Network for Open Criminology

European Society of Criminology (ESC)

Member 2022 - present

Spanish Scientists in the Netherlands (CENL)

Member 2021 - present

Dutch Society for Criminology (NVC)

Co-coordinator of the NSC-R Workshops

Netherlands Institute for the Study of Crime and Law Enforcement (NSCR)

Member of the ESC Working Group on Cybercrime 2018 - present

European Society of Criminology (ESC)

2020 - 2020	Member of the SEIC Working Group on Quantitative Criminology
2019 - 2020	Secretary of the SEIC Working Group on IT and Crime
	Spanish Society of Criminological Research (SEIC)
2018 - 2020	Member of the Spanish Network of Early Career Researchers in Criminology (REJIC)
2017 - 2020	Member of the SEIC Working Group on Environmental Criminology
	Spanish Society of Criminological Research (SEIC)

Reviewer

Scientific journals

Computers in Human Behavior	2451-9588
Crime & Delinquency	0011-1287
Crime Science	2193-7680
Criminology & Public Policy	1745-9133
IDP. Revista de Internet, Derecho y Política	1699-8154
InDret: Revista para el Análisis del Derecho	1698-739X
International e-Journal of Criminal Sciences	1988-7949
Journal of Contemporary Criminal Justice	1043-9862
Kriminologie - Das Online-Journal	2698-6779

Collective books

Cybercrime in Context: The Human Factor in Victimization, Offending, and	978-3-030-60526-1
Policing	
Understanding Crime and Place: A Methods Handbook	978-1-439-92067-1

PhD thesis research plans

2023	Consecuencias psicofisiológicas y penales de la presencialidad en entornos	Pardo-
	virtuales. Un análisis teórico, empírico y doctrinal	Rodriguez, M.
	Comillas Pontifical University	

Scientific committees

2021 Best Bachelor's Thesis

Spanish Network of Early Career Researchers in Criminology (REJIC)

Public outreach

Interviews

2023	Asier Moneva - 'Alleen als je weet hoe cybercrime werkt, kun je het terugdringen.'
	Dutch Research Council (NWO)

2019 El odio en internet está sobredimensionado

Newspaper "Información"

Podcasts

2023 Cibercrimen

Epsilon. El podcast de CENL

2022 Environmental Choices: Advancing the research of cybercrime prevention Cybercrimeology

Radio

2018 El Premio Nacional al Investigador Novel 2018 en Criminología, Asier Moneva Las Mañanas de Gestiona

Entrevista a Asier Moneva, ganador del Premio Nacional al Investigador Novel 2018 en Criminología

UMH Radio & UMH Sapiens

2017 La licencia de armas en EE UU

La masacre de las Vegas El sistema de justicia español El debate seguridad versus libertad

Los videos virales y el comportamiento antisocial

2016 Las novatadas

El Mundo "Crímina"

Blogs

2019 Criminaliteitspatronen van hackers die websites 'defacen'

Actuele berichten, Netherlands Institute for the Study of Crime and Law Enforcement (NSCR)

Awards

2020 3rd National End-of-Career Award

€2,000 Spanish Ministry of Universities & Spanish Ministry of Education

2018 Early Career Researcher in Criminology Award

Spanish Society of Criminological Research (SEIC)

2018 Best Master's Thesis Research

€500 Miguel Hernandez University

2017 First Prize in the Field of Social Sciences and Humanities in the XVI Archimedes University Contest for Introduction to Scientific Research

€5,000 Spanish Ministry of Education, Culture and Sport