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HIGHLIGHTS

- Created two international descriptive reports on the #FridaysForFuture movement. I served as main survey designer, dataset quality manager, first author of the Belgian chapters, and co-editor of the preprint reports. Based largely on these data, we published a peer-reviewed essay in *Social Movement Studies*. Together, this output has proven valuable to the academic community (close to 900 combined citations). I am grateful to Ruud Wouters for introducing me to this opportunity.
- Top 1% of ResearchGate members who first published in 2019, in terms of their 'research interest' metric.
- Co-authored four other A1 publications in top-ranking journals (incl. *Social Movement Studies*, *Environmental Politics*, *Social Science Research*).
- Successfully collected two-wave egocentric survey data using Qualtrics whereby I was able to recall for each respondent in wave 2, the unique names they listed in wave 1. Shared the implementation of this technique with members of my research group.
- Collected data and co-authored three public reports (Climate strikers; Covid-19 protests; decolonization debate) with some societal impact; gained experience with providing commentary to journalists.

ACADEMIC POSITIONS

Voluntary member of [M²P](#), University of Antwerp (April 2022-Present)

Navorsers (extension PhD student funding), University of Antwerp (Nov 2021-April 2022)

PhD student, University of Antwerp (Oct 2017-Oct 2021)

EDUCATION

PhD	U Antwerp	2024*
60 ECTS prep year	U Ghent, communication science, cum laude	2017
MA	U Ghent, history, magna cum laude	2016
BA	U Ghent, history	2015

DATA COURSES

- Intro to Python (Flanders Training Network for Methodology and Statistics [FLAMES]) 2021
- A practical introduction to Data Science (FLAMES) 2020
- R Workshop (StatUA, 3 days) 2020
- Methods of Causal Analysis (ECPR Winter School, 5 days) 2020
- Linear Regression with R/Stata (ECPR Winter School, 5 days) 2019
- Categorical data analysis (StatUA, 3 days) 2018
- Successfully completed the theoretical exam of Statistics II at the UA (own initiative) 2018

* Defense expected before 1 June 2024

PUBLICATIONS

Two R&R papers (one solo-authored) not listed

- De Vydt, M.** (2024). Frame alignment. *Elgar Encyclopedia of Political Communication* (forthcoming)
- Knops, L., & **De Vydt, M.** (2024). Capitalism at the roots: The crisis of representative democracy through the eyes of Belgian climate activists. *Environmental Politics*, 33(1), 1–29. <https://doi.org/10.1080/09644016.2023.2180922>
- De Vydt, M.**, & Walgrave, S. (2023). Protest participation propensity cues and selective recruitment: Dyadic evidence on rational prospecting. *Social Science Research*, 112, 102806. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.ssresearch.2022.102806>
- Wouters, R., **De Vydt, M.**, & Staes, L. (2022). Truly Exceptional? Participants in the Belgian 2019 Youth for Climate Protest Wave. *Politics of the Low Countries*, 3(2022). <https://doi.org/10.5553/PLC/.000029>
- De Vydt, M.**, & Ketelaars, P. (2021). Linking consensus to action: Does frame alignment amongst sympathizers lead to protest participation? *Social Movement Studies*, 20(4), 439–458. <https://doi.org/10.1080/14742837.2020.1770071>
- de Moor, J., **De Vydt, M.**, Uba, K., & Wahlström, M. (2021). New kids on the block: Taking stock of the recent cycle of climate activism. *Social Movement Studies*, 20(5), 619–625. <https://doi.org/10.1080/14742837.2020.1836617>
- de Moor, J., Uba, K., Wahlström, M., Wennerhag, M., & **De Vydt, M.** (2020). *Protest for a future II: Composition, mobilization and motives of the participants in Fridays For Future climate protests on 20-27 September, 2019, in 19 cities around the world.*
- Wahlström, M., Kocyba, P., **De Vydt, M.**, & de Moor, J. (2019). *Protest for a future: Composition, mobilization and motives of the participants in Fridays For Future climate protests on 15 March, 2019 in 13 European cities.*

CONFERENCES

- 2021, ECPR general conference, panel: Bringing Youth Back In: Youth Political Participation and Representation in the 21st century. Presented paper: *Political representation and climate change: friends or foes? An analysis of representative politics through the eyes of climate activists*
- 2020, ESA/ECPR Social Movements Midterm conference. Presented paper: *Smells Like Teen Spirit. Interpersonal protest recruiting for the 2019 Global Climate Strikes*
- 2018, Politicologenetmaal. Presented paper: *The empirical question of framing's effectiveness: does frame alignment predict protest participation?*

TEACHING + ASSISTANCE EXPERIENCE

- Co-taught multiple regression and scale construction to bachelor students for Leeronderzoek I & II during academic year 2019-2020 (please note I was BAP, not AAP).
- Helped during survey design phase of Professor Stefaan Walgrave's ERC-funded POLEVPOP project.
- Assisted Professor Stefaan Walgrave between 2020-2022 with preparing and evaluating the multiple choice-exam for Politicologie.
- Currently assisting Professor Antje Daniel (U Vienna) with Qualtrics and dataset merging on a freelance basis.