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Profile

Remote sensing scientist with specific interest in the use of multi-source remote sensing and land surface modelling to assess cryosphere, atmosphere and ecosystem dynamics.

Stef Lhermitte is assistant professor Geoscience & Remote Sensing at TUDelft, after obtaining a PhD in bioscience engineering at KULeuven, Belgium, and several international post-docs positions (CEAZA, KNMI, KULeuven), where he worked on broad range of remote sensing technologies in a variety of applications ranging from cryospheric and atmospheric sciences to ecology and hydrology. Now he focuses on the development of innovative remote sensing methods for assessing land-atmosphere interactions in order to assess the effect of climate (change) on the cryosphere, ecosystem dynamics, the hydrological cycle, sea level rise, etc. and their feedbacks on (future) climate.

Stef Lhermitte (co-)authored 50 publications in international and peer-reviewed scientific journals included in Web of Science and has an H-index of 20/23*. He is first/second author on 20 publications.

* Scopus/Google May 10, 2018

Current position

Assistant professor Geoscience & Remote Sensing

Delft University of Technology (TUDelft)

Department of Geoscience & Remote Sensing (GRS)

Education

2016 Big data: management, analysis, visualization and legal aspects

GHENT UNIVERSITY, BELGIUM

2012 **Ice sheets and glaciers in the climate system**: Karthaus summer school

INSTITUTE FOR MARINE AND ATMOSPHERIC RESEARCH (IMAU), NETHERLANDS

2004-2008 PhD in bioscience engineering

KULEUVEN, BELGIUM

Dissertation: Vegetation regrowth monitoring after wildfires based on satellite time series

MSc in engineering of forest and land management [with high distinction] 1999-2002

Dissertation: Improving soil salinity management in sugarcane using earth observation

1997-1999 **BSc (candidate) in bio-engineering** [with distinction]

University of Antwerp, Belgium

Experience

2016-now Assistant professor

DEPT. OF GEOSCIENCE & REMOTE SENSING, TUDELFT, NETHERLANDS

Assistant professor focusing on the combined use of multi-source remote sensing and land surface modelling to assess cryosphere, atmosphere and ecosystem dynamics.

2013-2016 FWO post-doctoral research fellow

DEPT. OF EARTH & ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE, KULEUVEN, BELGIUM

Postdoctoral research fellow combining multi-source remote sensing data and land surface models to assess cryosphere, atmosphere and ecosystem dynamics.

2011-2013 Post-doctoral researcher

ROYAL NETHERLANDS METEOROLOGICAL INSTITUTE (KNMI), NETHERLANDS

Postdoctoral researcher focusing on the improvement of the albedo parametrisation in the regional climate model RACMO using optical satellite remote sensing data (in cooperation with IMAU, Netherlands)

2008-2010 Remote sensing scientist & head of the Remote sensing and GIS laboratory

CEAZA, CENTRO DE ESTUDIOS AVANZADOS EN ZONAS ÁRIDAS, CHILE

Head of the Remote Sensing and GIS laboratory and remote sensing scientist working on use of multi-source satellite imagery to study hydrological, snow/ice and ecological processes in the arid zones of north-central Chile.

2008 Post-doctoral researcher

M3-BIORES, KULEUVEN, BELGIUM

Postdoc researcher focusing on the development of a hierarchical, multi-scale, spatio-temporal segmentation software tool (in cooperation with CSIRO, Australia).

2002-2008 Research associate and PhD student

M3-BIORES, KULEUVEN, BELGIUM

Research associate focusing on the development of new methodologies to assess ecosystem dynamics after wild fires based on satellite remote sensing time series data.

Publications

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MSc/BSc supervision

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Teaching

2017-2018	Simulation & visualisation [CIE4604] MSc Geoscience & Remote Sensing, TUDelft, Netherlands Lecturer on Remote sensing data processing on big geo-data platforms
2017-2018	Geodesy & Remote Sensing [CIE4606] MSc Geoscience & Remote Sensing, TUDelft, Netherlands Lecturer on radiative transfer modelling
2016-2018	Ice, snow & climate change [CIE4602] MSc Geoscience & Remote Sensing, TUDelft, Netherlands Lecturer of remote sensing topics
2016-2018	Introduction to geophysics & remote sensing [AESB1440] BSc Applied Earth Sciences, TUDelft, Netherlands Lecturer of hyperspectral remote sensing topic
2016-2018	Spaceflight assignment [AE3536] BSC MINOR SPACEFLIGHT, TUDELFT, NETHERLANDS Responsible for 3 assignments for 9 students
2016-2018	Earth observation [CT3532] BSC MINOR SPACEFLIGHT, TUDELFT, NETHERLANDS Coordinator + responsible lecturer
2014-2016	Remote sensing of the atmosphere MSC IN GEOGRAPHY / MSC IN EARTH OBSERVATION, KULEUVEN, BELGIUM Coordinator + responsible lecturer
2014-2016	Remote sensing: climatological applications MSC IN BIOSCIENCE ENGINEERING, KULEUVEN, BELGIUM Guest lecture in Land Cover & Land Use monitoring (coordinator Prof. Somers B.)
2014-2015	Remote sensing of the cryopshere MSC, UTRECHT UNIVERSITY, NETHERLANDS Guest lecture in <i>Physics of Remote Sensing</i> (coordinator Prof. Houweling S.)
2011-2014	Temporal image analysis techniques MSC IN EARTH OBSERVATION, KULEUVEN, BELGIUM Guest lecture in Remote sensing of vegetative systems (coordinator Prof. Coppin P.)
2005-2007	Trend analysis Advanced MSC in Earth Observation, KULeuven, Belgium Guest lecture in Vegetative canopy monitoring (coordinator Prof. Coppin P.)
2002-2005	Geographical information systems [Practical sessions] MSC IN ENGINEERING OF FOREST & LAND MANAGEMENT, KULEUVEN, BELGIUM Practical sessions of Geographical Information Systems (coordinator Prof. Coppin P.(2002-2004), Prof. Van Orshoven J.

Grants & fellowships

(2005))

NWO GO Firm Assessing firn processes from multi-source satellite data

Funded by NWO User Support for Space Research

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Mass2Ant East Antarctic surface mass balance in the Anthropocene: observations and multi-

scale modelling

FUNDED BY BELSPO BRAIN / NWO

Co-PI and principal NWO-funded collaborator (4 years of PhD funding) on project of PI Goosse H. (UCL)

PV-MEP TPS Snow monitoring using the Proba-V Mission Exploitation Platform (PV-MEP) Third

Party Services

FUNDED BY ESA

Co-PI and responsible for snow monitoring work package

U-Turn Understanding turning points in dryland ecosystem functioning

Funded by Belspo Stereo III International partner

Black & bloom Microbial processes darken and accelerate the melting of the Greenland Ice Sheet

FUNDED BY NERC

International collaborator on project of PI's Tranter M. and Bamber J. (University Bristol)

Benemelt Melting of Dronning Maud Land ice shelves: a combined modelling and observa-

tional approach
Funded by Inbev-Latour

Collaborator on project of PI Lenaerts J. (Utrecht University)

Aerocloud How do aerosols and clouds affect the East Antarctic climate?

Funded by Belspo Brain

Collaborator on project of PI Van Lipzig N. (KULeuven)

Aerocloud Antarctic precipitation, clouds and their interplay with aerosols: Combining ground-

based remote sensing and regional climate modeling

FUNDED BY FWC

Collaborator on project of PI Van Lipzig N. (KULeuven)

FWO post-doc fellowship Changes in surface properties of the Greenland ice sheet and their impact on climate

modeling
FUNDED BY FWO
Principal investigator

Fondecyt Regular 2011 Modelling the current and future hydrological contribution of glaciers and seasonal

snow in semi arid mountain catchments

Funded by Fondecyt (Chile)

International collaborator on project of PI Kinnard C. (CEAZA)

Fondecyt Iniciacion 2009 The introduction of fusion techniques to improve the determination of snow cover

properties based on remote sensing imagery

Funded by Fondecyt (Chile) Principal investigator

Planet Action Spatio-temporal changes in glacier surface facies and ablation morphology in the

Norte Chico region, Chile Funded by SPOT IMAGE

Principal investigator

Ecoseg-SR/01/108 Development of a spatio-temporal segmentation algorithm for satellite time series

to monitor forest condition

Funded by Belspo Stereo II

Investigator on project of PI Prof. Coppin P. (KULeuven)

Glovex-SR/16/81 Assessment of vegetation regrowth by satellite remote sensing

Funded by Belspo Stereo II

Investigator on project of PI Prof. Coppin P. (KULeuven)

Scientific committees & reviews

Co-convernorship

EGU 2018 Remote sensing of the cryosphere [CR2.1]

EGU general assembly 2018, Vienna, Austria

Co-convenor

EGU 2017 Remote sensing of the cryosphere [CR2.1]

EGU GENERAL ASSEMBLY 2017, VIENNA, AUSTRIA

Convenor

EGU 2016 Remote sensing of the cryosphere [CR2.1]

EGU GENERAL ASSEMBLY 2016, VIENNA, AUSTRIA

Convenor

EGU 2015 Remote sensing of polar snow and ice [CR2.1]

EGU GENERAL ASSEMBLY 2015, VIENNA, AUSTRIA, 12 APRIL - 17 APRIL

Co-convenor

EGU 2014 Remote sensing of the cryosphere [CR2.1]

EGU GENERAL ASSEMBLY 2014, VIENNA, AUSTRIA, 28 APRIL – 2 MAY

Co-convenor

Multitemp Fourth International Workshop on the Analysis of Multitemporal Remote Sensing Images

2007 Multitemp 2007, Leuven, Belgium, 18-20 July

Member of the organisation committee

Reviews for

Nature Geoscience, The Cryosphere, Remote Sensing of Environment, Journal of Glaciology, IEEE Transactions on Geoscience and Remote Sensing, ISPRS Journal of Photogrammetry and Remote Sensing, Global Ecology and Biogeography, Photogrammetric Engineering Remote Sensing, Journal of Selected Topics in Applied Earth Observations and Remote Sensing, Remote Sensing, International Journal of Remote Sensing, Biogeosciences, Atmospheric Science Letters, Journal of Arid Environments, Nonlinear Processes in Geophysics, Geocarto International, International Journal of Geographical Information Science, Biosystems Engineering, EARSeL eProceedings, Sensors, Scientia Agricola, Ecological Modeling, Annals of Forest Science, NSF, Fondecyt, NWO, EUFAR

Editorial work

2017-2018 Remote Sensing Special Issue

"Remote Sensing of Glaciers at Global and Regional Scales"

GUEST EDITOR

mdpi.com/journal/remotesensing/special_issues/Glaciers

Press & outreach

Press

2018 Fifteen Years of Change in the Arctic

ONLINE PRESS

Nasa Earth Observatory, Earth Sky

2018 Antarctic grounding lines

ONLINE PRESS

VRT NWS

2018 Penguin colonies on Antarctica

Radio

🮐 De wereld vandaag @ VRT Radio 1, 🞐 VRT Radio 2

2018 Mass2Ant fieldwork

RADIO

NPO Radio 1

2017 Pine Island Glacier calving

RADIO, WRITTEN & ONLINE PRESS

Washington Post,
☐ Nasa hyperwall, ☐ NY Times, ☐ The Verge, ☐ Live Science, ☐ Quartz, ☐ USA Today, ☐ Gizmodo, ☐ Daily Mail, ☐ Inverse, ☐ Euronews, ☐ Science Alert, ☐ The Weather Channel, ☐ Scientias, ☐ CBS News, ☐ AOL, ☐ International Business Times

Greenland wildfire 2017 🖹 BBC, 🖹 New Scientist, 🖺 The Guardian, 🖹 The Independent 🖺 Eos, 🖹 NBC News, 🖺 Nasa Earth, 🖺 Nasa Earth Blog, Climate Central Wildfire Today, Newsweek, HLN, Clean Technica, Euronews, Forbes, Grist, Mother Jones, NPR, DW, Huffington Post, VRT Nieuws, IFLS, Gizmodo, Popsci, SD, Scientias 2017 Asian glaciers 🖭 De Volkskrant, 💷 De Morgen Larsen-C iceberg A68 2017 Tv. radio, written & online press 💷 AD, 💷 De Morgen, 🗎 Climate Central, 🖵 VTM Nieuws, 🞐 BNR, 🗎 Mashable, 🗎 International Business Times, Independent, HLN, RT 2017 Peterman rift Tv, radio, written & online press □ NOS op 3, □ Van Gils & Gasten, □ Washington Post, □ Washington Post follow-up □ CNN, □ Volkskrant, □ Tech Times 🖺 Live Science, 🗎 IFL Science 🖺 ABS News, 🖺 Daily Mail, 🖺 Mashable, 🖹 Inhabitat, 🖺 Business Insider, 🗎 The Weather Network, 🗎 NASA Earth Observatory, 🖺 International Business Times, 🗎 Phys.org, 🖹 Paris Match, 🗎 Science Times, Eath.com, PBS Newshour, Scientias Antarctic melt-albedo feedback 2016 Tv, radio, written & online press For complete coverage check Altmetric with higlights in ¬ VRT nieuws, ¬ VTM journaal, ¬ Karrewiet @ Ketnet, ¬ RTL journaal, № De wereld vandaag @ VRT Radio, № VRT Radio nieuws, 💷 National Geographic, 🖹 New Scientist, 🖺 De Volkskrant, 🖺 Washington Post, 🖺 Le Soir, 🖺 Eos, 🖹 El Mundo, 🖹 The International Business Times, 🖺 Kennis van Nu NTR, , 🖹 Telegraaf , 🖹 De Morgen , 🖹 Japan Times, 🖹 Der Spiegel, 🖺 Focus.de, 🗎 Algemeen Dagblad, 🖺 NOS, 🖺 Phys.org, 🖺 IFL science, 🗎 Business insider , ■ Science alert , ■ Life science , ■ CBS News , ■ Climate Central , ■ Fox news , ■ Huffington Post 2016 Lake Victoria Thunderstorms For complete coverage check Altmetric with higlights in ■ Delta, ■ Nasa Earth Observatory Benemelt Antarctic field campaign in the news 2016 RADIO & WRITTEN PRESS 🖵 ROB TV, 🖢 De Ochtend @ VRT Radio 1, 🖢 Nieuwe Feiten @ VRT Radio 1, 🖢 De Wereld vandaag @ VRT Radio 1, 💷 Het Nieuwsblad, 💷 De Standaard, 💷 Rondom Leuven 2012 Interview for Science magazine on exceptional Greenland melt WRITTEN & ONLINE PRESS Science Lactures & Outreach

KLEUTERSCHOOL URSULINEN Introductie voor kleuterschool

Lectures & Outreach	
21 Mar 2018	La Belgique et l'Antarctique, Impressions de Chercheurs EVENING CONFERENCE ON ANTARCTIC RESEARCH Presentation for ice shelf research & experiences
Feb 2018	Antarctica voor beginners Basis- & Kleuterschool Ursulinen Introductie voor kleuter- & lagere school
21 Feb 2017	Ijsplaten van Antarctica in een veranderend klimaat CAUSERIE @ OXACO Presentation for wider audience
31 Jan 2017	Ijsplaten van Antarctica in een veranderend klimaat SLO NATUURWETENSCHAPPEN (GEOGRAPHY) KULEUVEN Presentation for geografie leerkrachten
18 Dec 2016	Ice shelves on Antarctica ONDERNEMERSHUIS MECHELEN Presentation on 'Ice shelves on Antarctica'
Dec 2015	Antarctica voor beginners

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Skills

Software

Office applications: Office (Word, Excel, Powerpoint, Access), LaTeX, Adobe Creative Suite (Photoshop, Illustrator, Flash)

Open-source Office: Libreoffice suite, Inkscape, imagemagick

Program languages: python, R, C++, fortran, bash, IDL, matlab, javascript, php, html+css, sql

Remote sensing: QGis, Google Earth Engine, gdal/ogr, ArcGIS, Envi, Idrisi, PCI

Operating systems: Linux, Mac, Windows

Languages

Dutch: Mother tongue

English: Very good understanding, speaking, and writing

French: Good understanding, good speaking, and intermediate writing

Spanish: Very good understanding and speaking, good writing

Field work management

Organisation of field campaigns in the Chilean Andes (2010, 2014) and coordinator and assistance in a scientific field campaign on the Roi Baudoin ice shelf (East-Antarctica, Jan 2016 & Dec 2017).