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RESEARCH INTERESTS	economics of innovation, science and technology, digitization, strategic management of R&D	
EDUCATION	<b>Ph.D. KU Leuven</b> , 2021 (expected) Business Economics <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <i>Dissertation Title</i>: Empirical Essays on the Economics of Information Access, Knowledge Spillovers and Cumulative Innovation</li><li>• <i>Advisors</i>: Sam Arts, Reinhilde Veugelers</li><li>• <i>Doctoral Committee</i>: Dirk Czarnitzki (KU Leuven), Hanna Hottenrott (TU Munich), Stijn Kelchtermans (KU Leuven), Martin Watzinger (LMU)</li></ul> <b>M.Sc. University of Marburg</b> , 2014 Business Economics, <i>magna cum laude</i> <b>B.Sc. TU Dortmund University</b> , 2012 Economics & Management	
RESEARCH VISITS	Spring 2016	KU Leuven, Dpt. of Management, Strategy and Innovation <i>Visiting Researcher</i> , host: Dirk Czarnitzki
HONORS & AWARDS	2017–2021 2016–2017 2015	Ph.D. Fellowship, Research Foundation - Flanders (FWO) Ph.D. Scholarship, KU Leuven Conference Travel Grant, DAAD
RESEARCH PAPERS	<i>The Impact of Broadband Internet on Invention: Evidence from the U.K.</i> , with Sam Arts, Mattia Nardotto and Jesse Wursten, working paper (first draft)  <i>Online Repositories, Internal Search Costs and Cumulative Innovation</i> , job market paper	
WORK IN PROGRESS	<i>The Role of Inventor-Authors in Building Technologies on Prior Scientific Advance</i> , with Sam Arts and Reinhilde Veugelers, work in progress  <i>Hidden Figures? Peer Effects and Female Scientists' Productivity</i> , with Dennis Verhoeven, work in progress	
TEACHING EXPERIENCE	KU Leuven 2016–2020	Empirical Master's Theses (> 40) <i>Daily Supervisor</i> , Business Engineering, Business Economics 2 x Best Thesis Award (both 2020)

University of Marburg

2014–2016      Tutorial Strat. Mgmt. of Techn. & Innov. (master, fall)  
                    *Instructor*, 20-25 students, evaluated: 4.5/5 (2015-16)  
2015–2016      Tutorial Mgmt. of Techn. & Innov. (bachelor, spring)  
                    *Instructor*, >100 students  
2014–2016      *Guest lectures* in:  
                    – Strat. Mgmt. of Techn. & Innov. (master, 75-100 students)  
                    – Intell. Property Mgmt. (master, 75-100 students)  
                    – Innov. Mgmt.: Methods & Proc. (master, 75-100 students)  
                    – Mgmt. of Techn. & Innov. (bachelor, >300 students)  
2014–2016      Master’s, Bachelor’s Theses (>20)  
                    *Daily Supervisor*, Business Economics  
2013              Emp. Quant. Methods (bachelor, spring)  
                    *Tutor*, 25-30 students

RESEARCH      2014–2016      University of Marburg, School of Business & Economics  
EXPERIENCE      *Research Assistant*, Group TIM  
                    Advisor: Michael Stephan

LANGUAGES      English (fluent), German (fluent), Italian (fluent)

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